

**OFFICIAL RECORD**

Lockport, New York  
March 24, 2026

Chairman called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Clerk Tomasino called the roll. All Legislators were present, with the exception of Legislator Robins.

Legislator Abbott called on a moment of Silence for retired NCCC/SUNY Niagara Wrestling Coach Eric Knuutila.

Chairman Hill presented the 2026 State of the County Address.

No citizens spoke on the Agenda.

Recess.

Moved by Bradt, second by Elder to accept the Preferred Agenda.

**Resolution No. CW-004-26 was read at this time. (Appears in numerical order)**

**Resolution No. IF-063-26 was read at this time. (Appears in numerical order)**

**Resolution No. AD-008-26**

From: Administration Committee.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**AUTHORIZING THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE PARTIES OF THE NIAGARA INTERNATIONAL TRANSPORTATION TECHNOLOGY COALITION**

WHEREAS, the Niagara International Transportation Technology Coalition (“NITTEC”) is a consortium of agencies, authorities, municipalities and other entities in the Niagara Frontier region of New York State and region of Ontario, and

WHEREAS, NITTEC among other things has a mission to manage and minimizes adverse environmental effects related to the regional transportation system, and

WHEREAS, in order to accomplish such mission(s) the parties first entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (“MOU”) in 1995 which established the organization and operational structure of NITTEC, and

WHEREAS, in order to maintain such organization and operational structure of NITTEC the parties entered into MOUs for the past several years, and

WHEREAS, the parties find it necessary to amend and execute an MOU for the period of April 1, 2026 through March 31, 2028, and

WHEREAS, the County of Niagara as a General Member of Niagara International Transportation Technology Coalition desire to enter into said MOU for the coalition, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Niagara County Legislature hereby approves the MOU, and be it further

RESOLVED, that following the County Attorney’s review, the Chairman of the Legislature be, and hereby is, authorized to execute the Memorandum of Understanding.

Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.  
Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. AD-009-26**

From: Administration Committee.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**ADOPTION OF THE NYS GENDER BASED VIOLENCE AND  
THE WORKPLACE POLICY FOR NIAGARA COUNTY**

WHEREAS, New York Finance Law Section 139-M requires bidders on competitive state procurements to certify that they have a written policy addressing gender-based violence and the workplace and that such policy meets the requirements of NYS Finance Law Section 139-M, and

WHEREAS, Niagara County will share and make this policy available to all employees, supervisors and managers to provide information regarding gender-based violence and resources available including through the NYS Office for the Prevention of Domestic Violence for information and support, and

WHEREAS, Niagara County policy provides that no person shall be subjected to unlawful discrimination or retaliation based on race, creed, color, gender, age, national origin, religion, disability, sexual orientation, marital status, familial status, prior arrest or conviction record, predisposing genetic characteristics, pregnancy-related conditions, victim of domestic violence and gender-based violence, or veteran status, and

WHEREAS, the County of Niagara shall incorporate throughout all of its operations the requirements of applicable State and Federal laws and executive orders to prohibit any discriminatory practices, procedures and policies, including retaliation against those employees who identify as victims or survivors of domestic and gender-based violence, and

WHEREAS, all administrators, managers, supervisors and employees will be directed to comply with this policy and applicable laws including but not limited to the NYS Human Rights Law, and

WHEREAS, this policy will be placed on all Niagara County bulletin boards, HR website, and shared with new hires during new hire orientations, and communicated annually as a reminder thereafter, and

WHEREAS, any employees that have a concern relative to domestic and gender-based violence or that witness another employee being subjected to such acts shall discuss the concern with their Department Head or designee and also contact the Human Resources Department at 716 438-4068 or 716 438-4069 for assistance, guidance, and to develop a workplace safety plan, and

WHEREAS, employees can also contact the Niagara County Employee Assistance Program at 1-800-252-4555 or the NYS Domestic and Sexual Violence Hotline at 1-800 942-6906 for support and referrals, and

WHEREAS, the County of Niagara has developed this policy to comply with NYS Finance Law Section 139-M, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County of Niagara hereby adopts the Niagara County NYS Gender Based Violence and the Workplace Policy.

Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. AD-010-26**

From: Administration Committee.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**ADOPTION OF THE UPDATED COUNTY OF NIAGARA TITLE VI CIVIL RIGHTS PLAN**

WHEREAS, Niagara County DPW and other departments receive federal funds and as a result NYSDOT requires that the County of Niagara Title VI Civil Rights Plan be updated every three (3) years, and submitted to and approved by the NYS DOT, and

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the County of Niagara to prevent and eliminate discrimination in all of its operations and services as well as all aspects of employment, and

WHEREAS, the goal of the County of Niagara is that all Departments, Divisions, Offices, and Bureaus plan, develop and implement their programs and activities so that no person is subjected to unlawful discrimination based on race, creed, color, gender, age, national origin, religion, disability, sexual orientation, marital status, familial status, prior arrest or conviction record, predisposing genetic characteristics, pregnancy-related conditions, victim of domestic violence or gender based violence, or veteran status, and

WHEREAS, the County of Niagara shall incorporate throughout all of its operations the requirements of applicable state and federal laws and executive orders to prohibit any discriminatory practices, procedures and policies, and

WHEREAS, all administrators, managers, supervisors and employees will be directed to comply with these laws and orders, and

WHEREAS, the County of Niagara is committed to maintaining an agency which recognizes and values the inherent worth and dignity of every person; fosters tolerance, sensitivity, understanding, and mutual respect among its workforce; and encourages each individual to strive to reach their own potential, and

WHEREAS, this policy will be placed on all Niagara County bulletin boards and made available to all organizations and entities doing business with the County of Niagara, and

WHEREAS, any complaints involving allegations of discrimination will be sent to the Human Resources Director and Title VI Coordinator, Niagara County Human Resources Department, 111 Main Street, Suite G2, Lockport, New York 14094 (716) 438-4068, and

WHEREAS, the County of Niagara shall continue to develop short term and long term transit and transportation projects, including roads, bridges, and infrastructure construction, maintenance, and repairs and regular servicing projects for the efficient transportation services to the citizens of the County, and

WHEREAS, the County of Niagara shall continue to plan, develop and provide and maintain many other critical support services to the citizens of the County, and

WHEREAS, the County of Niagara as an organization shall continue to coordinate and administer a wide array of critical services and support that will ensure that all segments of the population have been informed of these available services including, where applicable, the involvement with the planning process, and WHEREAS, the goal of Title VI is to ensure that services and benefits are fairly distributed to all people regardless of race, national origin or income, and they have access to meaningful participation, and

WHEREAS, the County of Niagara has developed a Title VI (Civil Rights) Plan that outlines the plan for the County of Niagara to address the Title VI requirements for the County of Niagara, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County of Niagara hereby adopts the updated Title VI (Civil Rights) Plan incorporated herein and made a part hereof by reference, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Manager be and is hereby authorized and directed to sign the updated Title VI (Civil Rights) Plan and submit the same to the DOT for review and approval.

Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. AD-011-26**

From: Administration Committee.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**BUDGET MODIFICATION – LEASES AND  
SUBSCRIPTION BASED IT ARRANGEMENTS**

WHEREAS, The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) issued GASB Statement Number 87, Leases, and GASB Statement Number 96, Subscription Based Information Technology Arrangements (SBITA), and

WHEREAS, The Niagara County Legislature adopted the County's Lease Policy and SBITA Policy beginning for calendar year ending December 31, 2023, and

WHEREAS, The County Treasurer's Office has reviewed 2025 Lease agreements and subscription-based IT arrangements received from applicable departments, and

WHEREAS, the County Treasurer's Office must update the 2025 financial records to comply with GASB Statement Number 87 and 96 and the respective County policies, and

WHEREAS, budget modifications for the 2025 fiscal year can continue to be made into the first quarter of 2024, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the following budget modification be effectuated to the 2025 County budget:

**INCREASE ESTIMATED REVENUE:**

A.17.3110.000 45788.00	Leases, Other Financing Sources	\$ 154,539
A.21.4310.000 45788.00	Leases, Other Financing Sources	\$ 2,686,624
A.20.4010.000 45788.00	Leases, Other Financing Sources	\$ 4,021,004
A.10.1410.000 45788.00	Leases, Other Financing Sources	\$ 601,780
A.14.1450.000 45788.00	Leases, Other Financing Sources	\$ 534,164

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

A.17.3110.000 72702.00	Lease Asset Expense	\$ 154,539
A.21.4310.000 72702.00	Lease Asset Expense	\$ 2,686,624
A.20.4010.000 72702.00	Lease Asset Expense	\$ 4,021,004
A.10.1410.000 72702.00	Lease Asset Expense	\$ 601,780
A.14.1450.000 72702.00	Lease Asset Expense	\$ 534,164

Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. CS-014-26**

From: Community Services and Administration Committees.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**NIAGARA COUNTY EMPLOYMENT & TRAINING DEPARTMENT BUDGET MODIFICATION  
REAPPROPRIATE NEW YORK SYSTEMS CHANGE AND INCLUSIVE OPPORTUNITIES FUNDS  
(NY SCION-OMH) 2026**

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Legislature passed Resolution No. CS-037-25 on August 5, 2025, to accept New York Systems Change and Inclusive Opportunities (NY SCION) funding, and

WHEREAS, this state funded program is allocated by the New York State Office of Mental Health (OMH) to the New York State Department of Labor (NYSDOL) to be utilized in our local area to support job seekers with disabilities, and

WHEREAS, the 2026 NCET budget needs to be modified in order to utilize the balance of these funds, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the following budget modification be effectuated:

INCREASE REVENUE:		
CD.29.6290.000 43089.10	State Aid, Other NY Scion OMH	\$ 21,593.82

INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:		
CD.29.6291.000 74500.01	Contractual Expenses	\$ 21,593.82
Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.		
Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.		

**Resolution No. CS-015-26**

From: Community Services and Administration Committees.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**NIAGARA COUNTY EMPLOYMENT & TRAINING DEPARTMENT BUDGET MODIFICATION  
REAPPROPRIATE RENEWABLE ENERGY TRAINING INITIATIVE (RETI) FUNDING 2026**

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Legislature passed Resolution No. CS-049-25 on November 18, 2025, to accept Renewable Energy Training Initiative (RETI) funding, and

WHEREAS, this state funded program is allocated by the New York Power Authority (NYPA) working in cooperation with the New York State Department of Labor's (NYDOL), Office of Just Energy Transition (OJET) to support clean energy and workforce development training, and

WHEREAS, this grant has been extended to June 30, 2026 and the Niagara County Employment & Training 2026 Budget needs to be modified in order to utilize the balance of the grant funds, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the following budget modification be effectuated:

INCREASE REVENUE:		
CD.29.6291.000 43089.11	State Aid Other, RETI	\$ 180,945.17

INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:		
CD.29.6291.000 74500.01	Contractual Expenses	\$ 180,945.17
Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.		
Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.		

**Resolution No. CS-016-26**

From: Community Services and Administration Committees.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**NIAGARA COUNTY EMPLOYMENT & TRAINING DEPARTMENT BUDGET MODIFICATION  
REAPPROPRIATE STATE-LEVEL TRAINING PROGRAM INCENTIVE FUNDING 2026**

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Legislature passed Resolution No. CS-030-25 on June 17, 2025, to accept State-Level Training Program Incentive Funds, and

WHEREAS, these funds are being passed-through from Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) to the New York State Department of Labor to be utilized in our local area for Adult and/or Dislocated Worker training and supportive services through June 30, 2026, and

WHEREAS, the 2026 NCET budget needs to be modified in order to utilize the balance of these funds, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the following budget modification be effectuated:

INCREASE REVENUE:

CD.29.6291.000 44791.00	WIOA Revenue	\$ 105,830.07
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INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

CD.29.6291.000 74500.01	Contractual Expenses	\$ 105,830.07
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Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. CSS-025-26**

From: Community Safety & Security and Administration Committees.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**NIAGARA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
BUDGET MODIFICATION – CAPITAL PROJECT CLOSE OUT AND  
REALLOCATION OF PROJECT FUNDS**

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Sheriff's Office has several capital projects which were completed in 2025, and

WHEREAS, the remaining funds will be moved to an existing capital project, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, the following capital projects be closed and any remaining account balances be transferred to an existing capital project which requires additional funds to be completed:

- H725 Jail / Plumbing Fixtures
- H802 Jail Kitchen Equipment
- H804 Technology Systems

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the following budget modification be effectuated:

DECREASE ESTIMATED REVENUE:

H725.17.3197.000 45031.10	Interfund Transfers from Capital Reserves	\$27,903.48
H802.17.3150.000 45031.10	Interfund Transfers from Capital Reserves	\$13,399.12
H804.17.3197.000 45031.10	Interfund Transfers from Capital Reserves	\$ 1,650.91

DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

H725.17.3197.000 72200.01	Building Improvements	\$27,903.48
H802.17.3150.000 72100.07	Food Service Equipment	\$13,399.12
H804.17.3197.000 72100.26	Machinery & Equipment – Technology Systems	\$ 1,650.91

INCREASE ESTIMATED REVENUE:

H805.17.3197.000 45031.10	Interfund Transfers from Capital Reserves	\$42,953.51
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INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

H805.17.3197.000 72100.04	Machinery & Equipment – Lab Equipment	\$42,953.51
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Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.  
Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. CSS-026-26**

From: Community Safety & Security and Administration Committees.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**NIAGARA COUNTY SHERIFF’S OFFICE  
EXPENDITURE OF CELLULAR E911 FUNDS TO PURCHASE MICROWAVE EQUIPMENT  
FROM MICROWAVE NETWORKS**

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Legislature passed a Local Law on 11/5/2017 which established an E911 surcharge for cellular phones to establish a dedicated revenue to be used for future payments for system costs, eligible wireless 911 service costs, or other costs associated with the administration, design, enhanced wireless 911 service costs serving Niagara County, and

WHEREAS, such expenditures require the authorization of the Niagara County Legislature, and

WHEREAS, the County of Niagara owns a Countywide Public Safety Radio Network, and

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Sheriff’s Office has initiated a project for purchase and implementation of necessary infrastructure to enhance the current Countywide Public Safety Radio System with the addition of a tower site in Middleport, and

WHEREAS, a new Communications Tower will require microwave equipment to connect the additional tower to the existing radio network, and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff’s Office has a quote from Microwave Networks for the required equipment on New York State OGS Contract # PT68721 in the amount of \$544,587.30, and

WHEREAS, Mission Critical Partners is the approved consultant to act as project manager for the construction and implementation of the Middleport Communications Tower Project, and

WHEREAS, Mission Critical Partners has reviewed and approved the proposal from Microwave Networks, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Niagara County Sheriff's Office be authorized to spend \$544,588 in cellular E911 funds for the purchase of microwave equipment from Microwave Networks for the Middleport Tower Project, following Purchasing Guidelines, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the following budget modifications be effectuated:

INCREASE APPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE:

A.19.3020.000 40599.01	Appropriated Fund Balance – Committed Funds	\$544,588
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INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

A.19.3020.000 72100.15	Communications Equipment	\$544,588
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Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. CSS-027-26**

From: Community Safety & Security and Administration Committees.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**NIAGARA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
BUDGET MODIFICATION – ACCEPT DOMESTIC CANNABIS ERADICATION/SUPPRESSION  
PROGRAM GRANT**

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Sheriff's Office wishes to continue an agreement with the United States Department of Justice Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) for the year 2026, and

WHEREAS, this agreement allows the Sheriff's Office to work in conjunction with the local DEA Office to curtail illegal cannabis trafficking and in eradication of illicit cannabis plants throughout Niagara County, and

WHEREAS, the DEA will reimburse the Sheriff's Office for the costs incurred with this project, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Niagara County continue an agreement with the U.S. Department of Justice, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the following budget modification be effectuated:

INCREASE ESTIMATED REVENUE:

A.17.3110.000 44389.04	Other Public Safety Operation Green Monster	\$ 75,000
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INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

A.17.3110.000 71050.00	Overtime Expense	\$ 45,000
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A.17.3110.000 74400.09	Payments to Other Agencies	\$ 15,000
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A.17.3110.000 74600.03	Training/Education	\$ 1,000
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A.17.3110.000 74750.05	Law Enforcement Supplies	\$ 4,000
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A.17.3110.000 74800.11	Vehicle Maintenance	\$ 10,000
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Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. CSS-028-26**

From: Community Safety & Security and Administration Committees.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**NIAGARA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
AMENDMENT OF SECURUS CONTRACT FOR INMATE COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES**

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Legislature passed Resolution CSS-033-21 on March 23, 2021 to enter into a contract with Securus Technologies, LLC for inmate communication services at the Niagara County Jail, and

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Legislature passed Resolution CSS-041-22 on June 21, 2022 to extend the contract until October 14, 2025 with the addition of a full-time onsite administrator for the Securus System at no charge to the county and exercising the first of the two 12-month renewal options, and

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Legislature passed Resolution CSS-085-25 on August 5, 2025 to extend the contract until October 14, 2026 exercising the second of the two 12-month renewal options, and

WHEREAS, there is a need to amend the Securus Contract with "Fifth Amendment to the Master Services Agreement" in order to comply with the FCC Interim order published on December 5, 2025 with a 120-day compliance period, amending the Tablet Warranty and Inventory, and Clarification of the Recording Storage Period for Voice and Video Recordings which are all acceptable to the operations of the Inmate Communication Services in the Niagara County Jail, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that following the County Attorney's review, the amendment to the Securus Technologies contract may be executed pursuant to the Niagara County Contract Policy.

Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. CSS-029-26**

From: Community Safety & Security and Administration Committees.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**NIAGARA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
AMENDMENT AND EXTENSION OF LABVANTAGE SOLUTIONS INC.,  
CONTRACT FOR PURCHASE AND IMPLEMENTATION OF  
LABORATORY INFORMATION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM**

WHEREAS, Niagara County entered into a contract with LabVantage Solutions Inc effective January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024 for the purchase and implementation of a new Laboratory Information Management System (LIMS), and

WHEREAS, Niagara County and LabVantage Solutions Inc executed a one-year extension of the contract through December 31, 2025, and

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Sheriff's Office would like to enter into another one-year extension of the LabVantage Solutions Inc., contract due to the ongoing development and implementation of the LIMS, and

WHEREAS, there is a need to also amend the contract to include a Time and Materials Change Order Amendment for funding of additional development days due to the Niagara County Sheriff's Office Forensic Laboratory's request to add additional modules to the LIMS and support through the GO Live transition in an amount not to exceed \$74,290.00, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that following the County Attorney's review, the amendment to and extension of the LabVantage Solutions Inc contract may be executed pursuant to the Niagara County Contract Policy.

Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. CSS-030-26**

From: Community Safety & Security and Administration Committees.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**NIAGARA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
ACCEPT MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT AND INSURANCE FRAUD PREVENTION GRANT**

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Sheriff's Office has been notified by the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services that it has been awarded \$20,000 under the Motor Vehicle Theft and Insurance Fraud Prevention Program, and

WHEREAS, the Motor Vehicle Theft and Insurance Fraud Prevention Grant has been awarded to the Niagara County Sheriff's Office for many years, and

WHEREAS, the performance period for this grant is January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026, and

WHEREAS, the grant is used to coordinate efforts to reduce the incidents of motor vehicle theft and motor vehicle insurance fraud county-wide; this partnership provides an integrated means to prevent and deter motor vehicle theft and insurance fraud related crime through the expanded use of crime data, crime analysts, technology and information sharing, and

WHEREAS, the funds are included in the 2026 budget, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that following the County Attorney review, the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services Motor Vehicle Theft and Insurance Fraud Prevention Grant may be executed pursuant to the Niagara County Contract Policy.

Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. CSS-031-26**

From: Community Safety & Security and Administration Committees.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**NIAGARA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
BUDGET MODIFICATION - ACCEPT NEW YORK STATE EMERGENCY SERVICES  
IP NETWORK (ESInet) READINESS GRANT**

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Sheriff's Office has been notified by the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services that it has been awarded \$689,655 under the New York State Emergency Services IP Network (ESInet) Readiness Grant Program for the performance period of January 1, 2026 through December 21, 2030, and

WHEREAS, the New York State Emergency Services IP Network (ESInet) Readiness Grant provides funding to enhance Niagara County's public safety operations by strengthening communications infrastructure which is critical in emergency situations and ensuring that public safety personnel are prepared as they respond to calls for service, and

WHEREAS, there is not match for the grant funding, and

WHEREAS, the funds need to be added to the 2026 budget in order to be utilized, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that following the County Attorney review, the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services Emergency Services IP Network (ESInet) Readiness Grant may be executed pursuant to the Niagara County Contract Policy, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the following budget modifications be effectuated:

INCREASE ESTIMATED REVENUE:

A.17.3020.000 43389.01	Other Public Safety	\$689,655
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INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

A.17.3020.000 72100.15	Communications Equipment	\$689,655
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Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. CSS-032-26**

From: Community Safety & Security and Administration Committees.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**NIAGARA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
EXTENSION OF FORENSIC FIREARMS CONSULTANT AGREEMENT SHAW**

WHEREAS, the County of Niagara entered into a Consulting Agreement with Mark Shaw as a consultant for forensic firearms testing and examinations for the Niagara County Sheriff's Office Forensic Laboratory, and

WHEREAS, the current agreement is dated May 1, 2017 and has a term of two (2) years from that date with the option of extending the agreement by an amendment, and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff's Office wishes to extend the agreement with Mark Shaw for an eighth one-year extension period due to the ongoing training of the current Firearms Consultant, and

WHEREAS, the contract rate was amended in 2024 to a rate of \$75 per hour, and

WHEREAS, the funds for the Firearms consultant are currently in the 2026 budget, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Niagara County Legislature has determined that the services to be provided by the consultant requires a high degree of specialized skill constituting "professional services" and hereby waives any requirement that additional proposals be obtained or solicited, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Attorney will draft an amendment for a one-year extension, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Forensic Firearms Consultant Agreement extension with Mark Shaw may be executed pursuant to the Niagara County Contract Policy.

Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. CSS-033-26**

From: Community Safety & Security and Administration Committees.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**NIAGARA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
EXTENSION OF EMPIRE EMERGENCY APPARATUS, INC., AWARD FOR POLICE VEHICLE  
AND CAR EQUIPMENT FOR NIAGARA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Purchasing Department issued Sealed Bid 2024-24 Police Vehicle and Car Equipment for Niagara County Sheriff's Office, and

WHEREAS, Sealed Bid 2024-24 Police Vehicle and Car Equipment for Niagara County Sheriff's Office was awarded to the lowest bidder, Empire Emergency Apparatus, Inc for the contract period 4/10/24 – 4-9/26 with the option to extend for two (2) additional one-year periods, and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff's Office wishes to exercise the first one (1) year extension with Empire Emergency Apparatus, Inc for a period of 4/10/26-4/9/27 in the provision and installation of Police Vehicle and Car Equipment for the Niagara County Sheriff's Office, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that following County Attorney review, the one-year award extension of Sealed Bid 2024-24 Police Vehicle and Car Equipment for Niagara County Sheriff's Office with Empire Emergency Apparatus, Inc. may be executed pursuant to the Niagara County Contract Policy.

Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. CSS-034-26**

From: Community Safety & Security and Administration Committees.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**NIAGARA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
RP OAK HILL BUILDING CO INC WALK-IN COOLER AND FREEZER PROJECT  
CHANGE ORDERS NO. 1 - 7**

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Legislature passed Resolution #CSS-109-25 on October 21, 2025 to award RP Oak Hill Building Co. Inc., the contract for the RFP 2025-41 Walk-In Cooler and Freezer Project for Niagara County Sheriff's Office in the amount of \$731,970, and

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Sheriff's Office would like to add to the scope of this project to have additional temporary freezer storage for ongoing operations of the Jail kitchen during the project, and

WHEREAS, RP Oak Hill Building Co. Inc. has provided a proposal for the requested services in the Walk-In Cooler and Freezer Project in the amounts \$2,314.00 (January Change Order No.1) and \$2,027.00 (February Change Order No. 2), and

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Sheriff's Office added to the scope of the project to include implementing Ground Penetrating Radar to detect the locations of any potential electrical or plumbing lines within or below the concrete slab that was scheduled to be demolished because there are no existing drawings available to indicate what is below the slab, and

WHEREAS, RP Oak Hill Building Co. Inc., provided a proposal for the requested services in the amount of \$1,361.00 (Change Order No. 3), and

WHEREAS, RP Oak Hill Building Co. Inc., has proposed Change Order No. 4 to address the need to prep and repair missing fireproofing surrounding four (4) steel columns to ensure a continuous fire rating. This was an unforeseen condition as the steel columns were set in the cooler/freezer that was removed and the existing conditions were exposed; the amount of the repair change order is \$2,305.00, and

WHEREAS, RP Oak Hill Building Co. Inc has proposed Change Order No. 5 to remove/repair existing continuous cementitious cove base along the side of the new cooler panels in an amount not to exceed \$4,388, and

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Sheriff's Office anticipates additional Change Order No. 6 and No.7 for the requested additional freezer storage for the months of March and April in an amount not to exceed \$6,400, and

WHEREAS, the change order proposals are all reviewed for approval by the Engineering Firm for the project, Azar Design Co., before any change orders are processed for approval and payments are made and will be funded through the existing Capital Project H785 Jail Kitchen Improvements, and

WHEREAS, prior to the execution of the required documents for approved change orders, the County Attorney will review them for approval as to legal form, language and compliance, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the RP Oak Hill Building Co. Inc., contract for the Walk-In Cooler and Freezer Project for Niagara County Sheriff's Office Change Orders No. 1-7 for a total not to exceed \$18,795 may be executed pursuant to the Niagara County Contract Policy

Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. CSS-035-26**

From: Community Safety & Security and Administration Committees.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**NIAGARA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
BUDGET MODIFICATION - STATEWIDE TARGETED REDUCTIONS IN  
INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE (STRIVE) INITIATIVE GRANT**

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Legislature passed Resolution #CSS-069-25 on 6/17/25 to accept a Statewide Targeted Reductions in Intimate Partner Violence (STRIVE) Initiative Grant through the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services in the amount of \$98,086 for the performance period March 1, 2025 through March 31, 2026, and

WHEREAS, this grant is designed to improve the public safety response to intimate partner abuse and domestic violence, and

WHEREAS, the funding allowed the Sheriff's Office to hire a Crime Victim Advocate for Domestic Violence victims' assistance, overtime for advocates on the Domestic Violence High-Risk Team as well as on-going training, and

WHEREAS, the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services has approved a grant modification of the STRIVE grant due to funds that would not be able to be utilized due to the time needed to hire the Crime Victim Advocate, and

WHEREAS, the 2026 budget needs to be revised in order to utilize the balance of the grant funding for additional Advocate training and outreach materials, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that following the County Attorney review, the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services Statewide Targeted Reductions in Intimate Partner Violence (STRIVE) Initiative Grant Budget Amendment may be executed pursuant to the Niagara County Contract Policy, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the following budget modification be effectuated:

DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

A.17.3989.300 71010.00	Position Expense (Position # 14009)	\$ 14,220
A.17.3989.300 78100.00	Retirement Expense	\$ 1,948
A.17.3989.300 78200.00	FICA Expense	\$ 1,086
A.17.3989.300 78300.00	Workers Compensation Expense	\$ 246

INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

A.17.3989.300 74600.03	Training and Education	\$ 17,500
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Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. CSS-036-26**

From: Community Safety & Security and Administration Committees.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**NIAGARA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
AWARD OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR DEVELOPMENT OF EMERGENCY  
COMMUNICATION TOWER SITE FOR NIAGARA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Purchasing Department issued Request for Proposal 2026-02 Development of Emergency Communication Tower Site for Niagara County Sheriff's Office on December 31, 2025, and

WHEREAS, responses were opened on February 5, 2026, and were received from the following companies:

JG Contracting Company	Carnegie, PA	\$924,290
H&H Telecom Construction Inc	Forest Hills, NY	\$790,000
Pyramid Network Services	East Syracuse, NY	\$715,166
Patriot Towers, Inc	Scottsville, NY	\$658,811

WHEREAS, the proposal from the lowest bidder, Patriot Towers has been evaluated for compliance with the Request for Proposal parameters and is being funded through a U.S. Department of Justice FY24 COPS Technology and Equipment Program Grant, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Request for Proposal 2026-02 Development of Emergency Communication Tower Site for Niagara County Sheriff's Office be awarded to Patriot Towers, and be it further

RESOLVED, that following the County Attorney's review, the Request for Proposal 2026-02 Development of Emergency Communication Tower Site for Niagara County Sheriff's Office contract with Patriot Towers may be executed pursuant to the Niagara County Contract Policy.

Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. CSS-037-26**

From: Community Safety & Security and Administration Committees.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**NIAGARA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
SOLE SOURCE PURCHASE OF TECAN SERVICE CONTRACT AND ELISA DRUG SCREEN  
REAGENTS WITH IMMUNALYSIS CORPORATION**

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Sheriff's Office Forensic Laboratory has a Tecan EVO automated ELISA processor utilizing Immunalysis' NaviTrack software interface combined with Tecan EVOWare software to test drug evidence for Niagara County, and

WHEREAS, Immunalysis Corporation is the sole source vendor for TECAN Service Contracts for the TECAN in the NCSO Forensic Laboratory, and

WHEREAS, Immunalysis Corporation is the manufacturer of the ELISA drug screening reagents and the sole provider of these ELISA drug screen reagents validated on the Tecan EVO automated ELISA processor which have to be used in the NCSO Forensic Laboratory for testing on this instrument, and

WHEREAS, the TECAN Service Contract is due to be renewed for the period 3/27/26 – 3/26/27 in the amount of \$18,150, and

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Sheriff's Office will need to continue to order ELISA drug screening reagents in order to continue the necessary drug testing for law enforcement cases without the ability to get quotes from other vendors, and

WHEREAS, the total amount of purchases from Immunalysis Corporation including the TECAN Service Contract and the ELISA drug screening reagents are expected to be over \$20,000 for the 2026 calendar year, and

WHEREAS, Immunalysis Corporation is the sole source for the TECAN service contract and ELISA drug screening reagents as documented by Immunalysis Corporation and additional research, and

WHEREAS, under New York State common law, an exception to competitive bidding arises when the goods or services required in a contract may be obtained only through a single source so that there is no possibility of competition (*Harlem Gas Co. v. Mayor of New York*, 33 NY 309; 11 Opns St Comp, 1955, p 502), now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Niagara County Legislature deems that under NYS Common Law Immunalysis Corporation can be awarded the contract for TECAN service contract and the provision of ELISA drug screening reagents as a sole source provider.

Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. CSS-038-26**

From: Community Safety & Security and Administration Committees.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**NIAGARA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
SOLE SOURCE PURCHASE OF HVAC CONTROLLER SYSTEM  
UPGRADE WITH ADDITIONAL SENSORS**

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Sheriff's Office has identified the need to upgrade the existing Schneider Electric Ecostruxure Platform software for control of the Sheriff's Office Buildings' HVAC system and the need to add additional sensors to improve the control of the HVAC System, and

WHEREAS, Stark Tech Operating Company is the sole authorized vendor in the Western NY eight counties for sales, service and installation of the Schneider Electric Ecostruxure HVAC Platform as documented by Schneider Electric and verified through additional research, and

WHEREAS, the HVAC Controller System upgrade project, including the addition of twelve (12) sensors would have a total cost from Stark Tech of \$17,830 which is included in the 2026 budget, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Niagara County Legislature waive the purchasing policy of obtaining quotes for the HVAC Controller System Upgrade with Additional Sensors project due to the sole source provider of the service.

Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. CSS-039-26**

From: Community Safety & Security and Administration Committees.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**NIAGARA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
PURCHASE OF AGILENT 8890 GAS CHROMATOGRAPH SYSTEM WITH  
INSTALLATION, TRAINING AND SERVICE CONTRACT**

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Sheriff's Office Forensic Laboratory has a Gas Chromatograph System instrument which is at end of life and may not be able to be repaired if it fails again, and

WHEREAS, a Gas Chromatograph System is used in a forensic laboratory to separate, detect and identify the individual chemical components of complex, volatile, or semi-volatile evidence mixtures; it is essential for analyzing blood alcohol levels, identifying unknown drugs and analyzing toxins, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to purchase a replacement Gas Chromatography System to avoid a possible stop in analysis in the Niagara County Sheriff's Office Forensic Laboratory, and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff's Office has identified the Agilent 8890 GC System with installation, training on NYS OGS Contract PC70315 in the amount of \$142,293.72, and

WHEREAS, Agilent Technologies Inc has been able to provide additional discounts from the NYS OGS Contract PC70315 with the addition of a three (3) year enhanced extended warranty for a total price of \$103,480.08, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that following the County Attorney's approval, the contract for purchase of the Agilent 8890 Gas Chromatography System with installation, training and service contract from Agilent Technologies, Inc., may be executed pursuant to the Niagara County Contract Policy.

Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. CSS-040-26**

From: Community Safety & Security and Administration Committees.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**DISTRICT ATTORNEY MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT AND INSURANCE FRAUD PREVENTION  
PROGRAM GRANT ACCEPTANCE**

WHEREAS, the Niagara County District Attorney's Office has been notified by the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services that the Motor Vehicle Theft and Insurance Fraud Prevention Program grant has been renewed for the period of January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026, and

WHEREAS, funding has been awarded in the amount of \$109,443 and said funds are used to offset expenses

for the District Attorney's Motor Vehicle Theft and Insurance Fraud Prevention Unit, and

WHEREAS, basic revenue and appropriation figures for said program were calculated and are contained within the CM.02.1989.114 Motor Vehicle Theft and Insurance Fraud Prevention cost center for the 2026 budget year, and

WHEREAS, this program will continue to partially fund one full-time Assistant District Attorney, and one full time Criminal Investigator which shall remain coterminous with grant funding, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County of Niagara does hereby accept this grant award, and be it further

RESOLVED, that prior to the execution of the grant award contract, the County Attorney will review the grant award contract for approval as to legal form, language and compliance, and be it further

RESOLVED, that following the County Attorney's review, the Chairman of the Niagara County Legislature be, and hereby is, authorized to execute the grant award documents.

Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. CSS-041-26**

From: Community Safety & Security and Administration Committees.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**DISTRICT ATTORNEY BUDGET MODIFICATION - USE OF FORFEITURE FUNDS**

WHEREAS, the Niagara County District Attorney's Office and Treasurer's Office maintains the Fines/Forfeiture Bail Account, and

WHEREAS, the District Attorney's Office employs four (4) Investigators, and various Attorneys who are required to go to scenes of crimes at all times, including after-hours/weekends, and

WHEREAS, the vehicles currently available to said Investigators and Attorneys are inadequate to satisfy such needs, and

WHEREAS, the above-mentioned account contains adequate unused and undistributed funds to allocate \$59,210.41 for the purchase of two vehicles, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Niagara County Treasurer's Office is hereby authorized to disburse \$59,210.41 from the District Attorney's Fines/Forfeiture Bail Account A.07.1325.000 42610.00 into the District Attorney's operating budget, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the following budget modifications are effectuated:

INCREASE REVENUE:		
A.07.1325.000 42610.00	Fines/Forfeiture Bail	\$59,210.41
INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:		
A.02.1165.000.72100.12	Machinery & Equipment Cars, Vans, Light Trucks	\$59,210.41

Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. CSS-042-26**

From: Community Safety & Security and Administration Committees.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**CREATE & FILL CONFIDENTIAL ASSISTANT PT POSITION**

WHEREAS, changes in the law over the past several years have led to a dramatic increase in requirements placed on District Attorney's Offices, which in turn have led to the need for additional staffing, and

WHEREAS, the operational requirements of the District Attorney's Office have increased placing burdens on various members of the office staff, and

WHEREAS, the District Attorney's Confidential Secretary has taken on additional duties, as have other office staff, and

WHEREAS, the duties of Confidential Assistant PT will alleviate these additional burdens enabling the daily operations and the flexibility and scope of duties within the District Attorney's Office to be fulfilled, and

WHEREAS, with the approved 2026 budget, in the contractual line, there exists unused funds that will offset the below expenses, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that effective April 1, 2026 the position of Confidential Assistant PT, at \$39,251 per year, be created and filled, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the following budget modification be effectuated:

**INCREASED APPROPRIATIONS:**

A.02.1165.000 71030.00	Part Time Expense	\$31,890
A.02.1165.000 78100.00	Retirement Expense	4,369
A.02.1165.000 78200.00	FICA Expense	2,440
A.02.1165.000 78300.00	Worker's Compensation Expense	552

**DECREASED APPROPRIATIONS:**

A.02.1165.000 74500.01	Contractual Expense	\$39,251
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Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.  
Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. CSS-043-26**

From: Community Safety & Security and Administration Committees.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**DISTRICT ATTORNEY CRIMES AGAINST REVENUE PROGRAM GRANT ACCEPTANCE**

WHEREAS, the Niagara County District Attorney's Office has been notified by the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services that the Crimes Against Revenue Program (CARP) grant has been renewed for the calendar year 2026, and

WHEREAS, funding has been awarded in the amount of \$72,579 for the period January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026, and

WHEREAS, basic revenue and appropriation figures for said program were calculated and are contained within

the District Attorney's operating budget for the 2026 budget year, and

WHEREAS, the program will continue to fund one full time Assistant District Attorney, Position #10969, ATT IV, Step 5, \$124,554.00 annually, with fringe benefits which shall remain coterminous with grant funding, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County of Niagara does hereby accept this grant award, and be it further

RESOLVED, following the County Attorney' review, the Crimes Against Revenue Program (CARP) grant may be executed pursuant to the Niagara County Contract Policy.

Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. CSS-044-26**

From: Community Safety & Security and Administration Committees.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**FEDERAL EQUITABLE SHARING PROGRAM AGREEMENT AND ANNUAL CERTIFICATION REPORT**

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Justice requires that the Niagara County District Attorney's Office file an annual Federal Equitable Sharing Program Agreement and Certification Report to be eligible to submit requests for federally forfeited property or proceeds, and

WHEREAS, said Agreement is entered into by the United States Department of Justice, the County of Niagara, and the Niagara County District Attorney's Office, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Niagara County District Attorney's office be authorized to participate in the Federal Equitable Sharing Program, and be it further

RESOLVED, that prior to the execution of the Federal Equitable Sharing Agreement and Certification, the County Attorney will review the Federal Equitable Sharing Agreement and Certification for approval as to legal form, language and compliance, and be it further

RESOLVED, that following the County Attorney's review, the Chairman of the Niagara County Legislature be, and hereby is, authorized to execute an Agreement between the County of Niagara on behalf of the Niagara County District Attorney's Office and the United States Department of Justice.

Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. CSS-045-26**

From: Community Safety & Security and Administration Committees.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**NIAGARA COUNTY PUBLIC DEFENDER ACCEPTANCE OF ILS 2026 PUBLIC DEFENSE OFFICE PROFESSIONALIZATION & MODERNIZATION GRANT**

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Public Defender's Office has been notified by the New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services (OILS) that it has been awarded \$450,000 under the 2026 Public Defense Office Professionalization & Modernization, and

WHEREAS, the County of Niagara desires to receive the above financial assistance for the above, and

WHEREAS, the cost-reimbursement contract period for this grant is July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2028 2026, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that following the County Attorney's review, the Chairman of the Legislature be, and hereby is authorized to execute this grant

Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. CSS-046-26**

From: Community Safety & Security and Administration Committees.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**NIAGARA COUNTY PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE  
CONTRACT WITH LEGAL AID BUREAU OF BUFFALO, INC.  
MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT**

WHEREAS, previously on resolution CSS-059-25 the County entered an agreement with Legal Aid of Buffalo, Inc., to handle all appellate cases for 2025, and

WHEREAS, this cost is funded by Hurrell-Harring grant from Indigent Legal Services previously accepted, and

WHEREAS, the Public Defender's Office wishes to continue the partnership and enter an agreement through 2026 with Legal Aid of Buffalo, Inc., to handle all Appellate cases at a cost of \$250,000.00 for the 2026 budget year, and

WHEREAS, the funds are included in the 2026 budget, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that following the County Attorney's review, the Niagara County Public Defender's Office's contract with Legal Aid of Buffalo, Inc., for appellate cases may be executed pursuant to the Niagara County Contract Policy.

Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. CSS-047-26**

From: Community Safety & Security and Administration Committees.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**LEASE AGREEMENT WITH INTEGRITY PROPERTY GROUP, LLC AND NIAGARA COUNTY  
PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE**

WHEREAS, the New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services (ILS) and Niagara County (Contractor) have entered into a Master Contract For Grants (Contract) to promulgate the application of the Hurrell-Harring Settlement with the Niagara County Public Defender's Office, and

WHEREAS, Public Defender Office has increased in size to the point that it has outgrown their current office, and

WHEREAS, in order to obtain the required larger space to meet their needs, a Request For Quote (RFQ 2025-57) was issued, and

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Public Defender's Office reviewed the RFQs on December 4, 2025 for the leasing of property for the Niagara County Public Defender's Office within two (2) miles of the Niagara County Court House, and

WHEREAS, a Best and Final Offer (BAFO) request was sent to all RFQ respondents on January 13, 2026, and

WHEREAS, Integrity Property Group, LLC was the successful bidder for RFQ 2025-57, and

WHEREAS, ILS has reviewed RFQ 2025-57, the BAFO and has visited 55 East Avenue/80 Washburn Street, Lockport, New York (the Property of Integrity Property Group, LLC) as ILS contributes to the rent of the leased premises, and

WHEREAS, Integrity Property Group, LLC offered an updated lease for 9,860 square feet of office space located at 55 East Avenue/80 Washburn Street, Lockport, New York for a five (5) year term at \$7,559.33 per month with optional one (1) year lease extensions upon approval of the Niagara County Legislature, with the first 3 months of the lease being free to set space, and

WHEREAS, prior to the execution of the required documents, the County Attorney will review them for approval as to legal form, language and compliance, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County enter into the above-described lease with Integrity Property Group, LLC for office space at 55 East Avenue/80 Washburn Street, Lockport, New York 14094, and be it further

RESOLVED, that following the County Attorney's review, the Chairman of the Legislature be, and hereby is, authorized to execute the required documents.

Moved by McKimmie, seconded by Godfrey, to implement the portion of Rule 15 that pertains to voting on a resolution as opposed to referring it to committee.

Carried.

Moved by McKimmie, seconded by Godfrey.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. CSS-048-26**

From: Community Safety & Security and Administration Committees.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**NIAGARA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
WATERS SERVICE CONTRACTS PROFESSIONAL SERVICES**

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Sheriff's Office has a Forensic Laboratory which is accredited and whose analysis is critical to criminal prosecutions throughout Niagara County, and

WHEREAS, the Forensic Laboratory is reliant upon specialized and technical equipment for testing which requires maintenance and software updates and upgrades, and

WHEREAS, the Forensic Laboratory has two LCMS/MS systems which are used for screening and quantification in toxicology, and

WHEREAS, the LCMS/MS systems are manufactured by Waters Technical Corporation who has technical expertise on the Waters instruments, informatics and chemistry which is only available from Waters on their systems. Waters also has the ability to remotely diagnose their systems to maximize productive time, provide factory-directed updates and instrument and software upgrades which are only available from Waters. The

service from Waters is further elevated by the service engineers who are trained and certified by Waters factory-certified trainers which is also only available from Waters, and

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Sheriff's Office has to renew the annual maintenance and service contract for 2026 in the amount of \$82,092.67 for the Waters equipment in order to ensure continued efficient operations of the Forensic Laboratory, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County finds that the services to be provided by Waters Technical Corporation consist of "professional services" and further waives the RFP requirement and/or requirement that additional cost proposals be sought or obtained, and be it further

RESOLVED, that following the County Attorney review and approval of the contract, that the Waters Technical Corporation contract for Waters forensic testing equipment service and updates may be executed pursuant to the Niagara County Contract Policy.

Moved by McKimmie, seconded by Godfrey, to implement the portion of Rule 15 that pertains to voting on a resolution as opposed to referring it to committee.

Carried.

Moved by McKimmie, seconded by Godfrey.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. CW-002-26**

From: Committee of the Whole.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF ORGANIZATIONS  
IN NIAGARA COUNTY  
THROUGH THE USE OF CULTURAL ENDOWMENT FUNDING**

WHEREAS, Cultural Endowment Funds help support numerous organizations across Niagara County that are important to local communities, and

WHEREAS, the various organizations and groups throughout Niagara County help with cultural enrichment programs for our community and citizens of all ages, and

WHEREAS, these organizations attract visitors from all over Western New York and from around the world, creating a significant economic impact in our communities, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Niagara County Legislature authorized the allocation of funding in the amount of \$295,000 for the Cultural Endowment Fund through the 2026 budget process, and be it further

RESOLVED, that Niagara County supports the organizations listed below by appropriating \$295,000 from said Cultural Endowment Fund as follows:

Artpark & Company	\$81,880
Niagara Aquarium Foundation (DBA Aquarium of Niagara)	\$62,170
Old Fort Niagara Youngstown	\$23,452
Kenan Center Lockport	\$24,910
Castellani Art Museum at Niagara University	\$8,548
Niagara Arts & Cultural Center Niagara Falls	\$9,115
Niagara Falls Underground Railroad Heritage Commission	\$11,491
Carousel Society of the Niagara Frontier (DBA Herschell Carrousel Factory Museum)	\$7,792

The Riviera Theatre	\$48,994
Historic Palace Theatre	\$16,648

Moved by Casale, seconded by Abbott.  
Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. CW-003-26**

From: Committee of the Whole.  
Dated: March 24, 2026

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND  
APPROVING A NATIONAL SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT  
TO AN ACTION RELATING TO THE OPIOID CRISIS  
(Six Defendants)**

WHEREAS, a new national opioid settlement has been reached with six regional distributors/dispenser defendants (Remnant Defendant Settlement) Associated Pharmacies, Inc.; (American Associated Pharmacies); J M Smith Corporation; Louisiana Wholesale Drug company, Inc.; Morris and Dickson Co.; North Carolina Mutual Wholesale Drug company, Inc.; and United Natural Foods, Inc. and their subsidiaries regarding the companies' manufacturing and distribution of opioids; and

WHEREAS, the six (6) Remnant Defendant's will be combined in one settlement, with the defendant's paying a combined amount of \$97,625,000.00 to all Petitioners, and

WHEREAS, Niagara County received notice that the County is an entity that is eligible to participate in this settlement, and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the County to become a party to this settlement, and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the County of Niagara to resolve this matter without litigation; and execute Combined Subdivision Participation and Release Forms to participate and receive a share of the settlements, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the execution and delivery on behalf of and in the name of the County of Niagara by the Chairman of the Niagara County Legislature, Michael A. Hill, or his designee, the Combined Subdivision Participation and Release Forms; and is hereby authorized the Chairman of the Niagara County Legislature, Michael A. Hill, or her designee, subject to the approval of the Niagara County Attorney, Claude A. Joerg, and directed to execute the forms and the settlement agreement to effectuate the settlement with the Distributors.

Moved by Foti, seconded by Bradt.  
Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. CW-004-26**

From: Committee of the Whole.  
Dated: March 24, 2026

**INTERIM APPOINTMENT RISK MANAGER**

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Legislature passed resolution AD-002-26 on January 20, 2026 to restructure the composition of the leadership of the Risk and Insurance Services Department, and

WHEREAS, a new Risk Manager department head position was created effective January 26, 2026 with the intention that it would replace the Director of Risk and Insurance Services position, and

WHEREAS, there is a continuing need to provide leadership and authority in the daily operations of the Risk and Insurance Services Department until a permanent Risk Manager is appointed, and

WHEREAS, Risk & Insurance Program Coordinator Krista Howland has fifteen (15) years of experience in the Department, and

WHEREAS, the County Manager recommends Krista Howland be appointed as Interim Risk Manager until a permanent Risk Manager is appointed, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Krista Howland be appointed as Interim Risk Manager effective March 30, 2026, until a permanent Risk Manager is appointed, at Flat grade 13 step 3 \$92,497.

Moved by Nemi, seconded by Gooch.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. ED-005-26**

From: Economic Development and Administration Committees.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**WAIVER OF RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT  
DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT ASSISTANT**

WHEREAS, the position of Environmental Management Assistant was included in the 2026 Adopted Budget, as part of the overall restructuring of the Niagara County Department of Economic Development, and

WHEREAS, this position is critical in order to satisfy the operational requirements and economic development planning initiatives of the department, and

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Department of Economic Development in conjunction with the Human Resources Department posted and advertised this position extensively through print and digital channels, and

WHEREAS, despite these diligent and sincere efforts to recruit highly qualified candidates for the position from within Niagara County, the department has been unsuccessful in recruiting a county resident to fill this highly technical and specialized position, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that a one-time Waiver of Residence from the policy to hire only Niagara County residents be approved for the Environmental Management Assistant position when the most highly qualified applicant is a non-Niagara County resident.

Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. IF-048-26**

From: Infrastructure & Facilities and Administration Committees.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**APPROVAL OF CONTRACT ADDENDUM FOR ADDITIONAL SERVICES TO  
BE PERFORMED BY CHA CONSULTING, INC. FOR THE  
NIAGARA COUNTY REFUSE DISPOSAL DISTRICT**

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Refuse Disposal District and CHA Consulting, Inc. entered into a contract whereby CHA Consulting, Inc. agreed to provide certain specified services for Niagara County Refuse Disposal District in regards to C&D Landfill. Landfill #1 and Landfill #2, and

WHEREAS, said contract was fully executed by the Niagara County Refuse Disposal District and CHA Consulting, Inc. on June 26, 2014, and

WHEREAS, said June 26, 2014 contract contains clauses which contemplate the eventuality of additional services to be performed by CHA Consulting, Inc., for the Niagara County Refuse Disposal District in regards to C&D Landfill, Landfill #1 and Landfill #2, and

WHEREAS, said June 26, 2014 contract contains clauses which permit said additional services to be performed pursuant to a valid written Amendment/Addendum to said June 26, 2014 contract which is to be signed by authorized representatives of Niagara County Refuse Disposal District and CHA Consulting, Inc., and

WHEREAS, additional services to be performed by CHA Consulting, Inc., for the Niagara County Refuse Disposal District in regards to professional services related to inspecting and evaluating landfill cap performance at Landfill 1 and Landfill 2, and

WHEREAS, CHA Consulting, Inc., has submitted a detailed Scope of Work and the corresponding Professional Fees to be charged by CHA Consulting, Inc. to Niagara County Refuse Disposal District to complete the above-referenced additional services in regards to the addition of tasks associated with professional services to evaluate, summarize and remedy cap performance deficiencies to restore to full functionality, and

WHEREAS, the proposed Professional Fees to be charged by CHA Consulting, Inc., to Niagara County Refuse Disposal District to complete the above-referenced additional services shall not exceed \$32,800, and

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Refuse Disposal District wishes to enter into an Amendment/Addendum to the June 26, 2014 contract with CHA Consulting, Inc., for above-referenced additional services, and

WHEREAS, prior to the execution of the such contract Amendment/Addendum, the County Attorney will review all documents for approval as to legal form, language and compliance, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Niagara County Refuse Disposal District is hereby authorized to enter into an Amendment/Addendum to the June 26, 2014 contract with CHA Consulting, Inc., Amendment/Addendum to complete the above-referenced additional services in regards to C&D Landfill, Landfill #1 and Landfill #2 and the amount to be paid by the Niagara County Refuse Disposal District to CHA Consulting Inc. for said additional services shall not exceed the amount of \$32,800.00, and be it further

RESOLVED, that following the County Attorney's review, the Chairman of the Legislature be, and hereby is, authorized to execute the required documents.

Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. IF-049-26**

From: Infrastructure & Facilities and Administration Committees.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**ABOLISH JUNIOR NETWORK ADMINISTRATOR POSITION/CREATE & FILL SURVEILLANCE SYSTEMS SPECIALIST POSITION- INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

WHEREAS, the duties of Junior Network Administrator do not meet the present needs of Information

Technology, and

WHEREAS, the duties of Surveillance Systems Specialist represent the duties necessary for the daily operations of Information Technology, and

WHEREAS, the flexibility and scope of duties of Surveillance Systems Specialist better serves Information Technology needs, and

WHEREAS, the change reflects no cost increase to the County, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that effective April 12, 2026 the position of Junior Network Administrator (Position #13472), CSEA Job Group 10 at \$57,368 to \$66,612 per year, be abolished, and be it further

RESOLVED, that effective April 12, 2026 the position of Surveillance Systems Specialist, CSEA Job Group 11 at \$62,392 to \$72,244 per year, be created and filled.

Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. IF-050-26**

From: Infrastructure & Facilities and Administration Committees.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**AWARD OF SEALED BID ADA DOOR OPENERS FOR  
NIAGARA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH**

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Purchasing Department issued Sealed Bid #2026-24 ADA Door Openers for Niagara County Department of Public Health on January 27, 2026, and

WHEREAS, only one response was received for the bid opening on February 19, 2026 which was from Door 2 Door Inc., 4578 Sunset Drive, Lockport, NY 14094 in the amount of \$45,773.00, and

WHEREAS, the proposal from Door 2 Door, Inc., has been evaluated for compliance with the Sealed Bid parameters and appropriateness of cost and is being funded through the Maternal Child Health Grant, CM.20.4189.406 72100.14, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Sealed Bid #2026-24 ADA Door Openers for Niagara County Department of Public Health be awarded to Door 2 Door, Inc., and be it further

RESOLVED, that following the County Attorney's review, the Sealed Bid #2026-24 ADA Door Openers for Niagara County Department of Public Health contract with Door 2 Door, Inc., may be executed pursuant to the Niagara County Contract Policy.

Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. IF-051-26**

From: Infrastructure & Facilities and Administration Committees.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF NIAGARA AND  
NATIONAL MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS SOCIETY**

WHEREAS, the National Multiple Sclerosis Society has requested that the County of Niagara grant them

permission to use a portion of Krull Park and Shelter # 2 for the purpose of holding a cycling event, and

WHEREAS, it is the wish of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society to hold the Bike MS: ROC the Great Lakes on August 8, 2026, and

WHEREAS, the event coordinator will provide all insurances required by the Risk Management Office, and agree to cover all extraordinary expenses associated with event, and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of Niagara County to enter into a formal agreement with the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, and

WHEREAS, prior to the execution of the License Agreement between the County of Niagara and the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, the County Attorney will review said Agreement for approval as to legal form, language, and compliance, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that following the County Attorney's review, the Agreement between the County of Niagara and the National Multiple Sclerosis Society may be executed pursuant to the Niagara County contract Policy.

Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. IF-052-26**

From: Infrastructure & Facilities and Administration Committees.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF NIAGARA AND REELIN' FOR A CURE**

WHEREAS, Reelin' for a Cure has requested that the County of Niagara grant them permission to use a portion of Krull Park for the purpose of holding a fishing tournament, and

WHEREAS, it is the wish of Reelin' for a Cure to hold the fishing tournament and use the Lions Club Shelter on August 21, 2026, and

WHEREAS, the event coordinator will provide all insurances required by the Risk Management Office, and agree to cover all extraordinary expenses associated with event, and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of Niagara County to enter into a formal agreement with Reelin' for a Cure, and

WHEREAS, prior to the execution of the License Agreement between the County of Niagara and Reelin' for a Cure, the County Attorney will review said Agreement for approval as to legal form, language and compliance; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the terms and conditions of the agreement between the County of Niagara and Reeling for a cure, as appears on the proposed agreement, is hereby approved in all respects, and be it further

RESOLVED, that, following the County Attorney's review, the Reelin' for a Cure agreement may be executed pursuant to the Niagara County Contract Policy.

Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. IF-053-26**

From: Infrastructure & Facilities and Administration Committees.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF NIAGARA AND THE TOWN OF NEWFANE  
OLCOTT BEACH BAND ORGAN RALLY**

WHEREAS, the Town of Newfane has requested that the County of Niagara grant them permission to use the North Section of Krull Park for the purpose of hosting the Olcott Beach Band Organ Rally, and

WHEREAS, it is the wish of the Town of Newfane to hold the Olcott Beach Band Organ Rally on July 24-26, 2026, and

WHEREAS, the Town will provide all insurances required by the Risk Management Office, and agree to cover all extraordinary expenses associated with event, and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of Niagara County to enter into a formal agreement with the Town of Newfane, and

WHEREAS, prior to the execution of the license agreement between the County of Niagara and the Town of Newfane, the County Attorney will review said agreement for approval to legal form, language and compliance, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that following the County Attorney's review, the agreement may be executed pursuant to the Niagara County Contract Policy.

Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. IF-054-26**

From: Infrastructure & Facilities and Administration Committees.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF NIAGARA AND THE NYF ELITE FOOTBALL &  
CHEER LEAGUE**

WHEREAS, the Niagara Youth Elite Football & Cheer League has requested that the County of Niagara grant them permission to operate a tackle and flag football program from April 1, 2026 - December 31, 2026, in an area situated in the County owned property on Davison Road, and

WHEREAS, this program benefits the youth and other residents of both the Town of Lockport in addition to Niagara County as a whole, and

WHEREAS, such program is operated on a not-for-profit basis, and

WHEREAS, the event coordinator will provide all insurances required by the Risk Management Office, and agree to cover all extraordinary expenses associated with event, and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of Niagara County to enter into a formal agreement with the NYF Elite Football and Cheer League, and

WHEREAS, prior to the execution of the License Agreement between the County of Niagara and the NYF Elite Football and Cheer League, the County Attorney will review said Agreement for approval as to legal form, language, and compliance, and now therefore it is

RESOLVED, that, following the County Attorney's review, the Chair of the County Legislature be, and hereby is, authorized to execute the License Agreement between the County of Niagara and the NYF Elite Football and Cheer League.

Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.  
Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. IF-055-26**

From: Infrastructure & Facilities and Administration Committees.  
Dated: March 24, 2026

**AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF NIAGARA AND TOWN OF WHEATFIELD**

WHEREAS, the Town of Wheatfield Summer Camp has requested that the County of Niagara grant them permission to use a portion of Oppenheim Park for the purpose of holding a summer camp program, and

WHEREAS, it is the wish of the Town of Wheatfield Summer Camp to hold the program and use Shelter #23 every Thursday beginning July 2, 2026 and ending August 13, 2026.

WHEREAS, the event coordinator will provide all insurances required by the Risk Management Office, and agree to cover all extraordinary expenses associated with event, and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of Niagara County to enter into a formal agreement with the Town of Wheatfield, and

WHEREAS, prior to the execution of the License Agreement between the County of Niagara and the Town of Wheatfield, the County Attorney will review said Agreement for approval as to legal form, language and compliance; and now therefore it is

RESOLVED, that, following the County Attorney's review, the Town of Wheatfield agreement may be executed pursuant to the Niagara County Contract Policy.

Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.  
Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. IF-056-26**

From: Infrastructure & Facilities and Administration Committees.  
Dated: March 24, 2026

**AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF NIAGARA AND  
THE YMCA FITNESS IN THE PARKS PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the YMCA Fitness in the Parks Program has requested that the County of Niagara grant them rights to operate a weekly Pilates/Yoga fusion exercise program every Monday, from June 1, 2025 – August 31, 2025 in an area situated in a section of Royalton Ravine Park, and

WHEREAS, this program benefits the youth and other residents of Niagara County as a whole, and

WHEREAS, such program is operated on a not-for-profit basis, and

WHEREAS, the event coordinator will provide all insurances required by the Risk Management Office, and agree to cover all extraordinary expenses associated with event, and

WHEREAS, prior to the execution of the License Agreement between the County of Niagara and the YMCA Fitness in the Parks Program, the County Attorney will review said Agreement for approval as to legal form, language and compliance, and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of Niagara County to enter into a formal agreement with the YMCA Fitness in the

Parks Program, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the terms and conditions of the agreement between the County of Niagara and the YMCA Fitness in the Parks Program, as appears on the proposed agreement, is hereby approved in all respects, and be it further

RESOLVED, that following the County Attorney's review, the License Agreement between the County of Niagara and the YMCA Fitness in the Parks Program may be executed pursuant to the Niagara County Contract Policy.

Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. IF-057-26**

From: Infrastructure & Facilities and Administration Committees.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF NIAGARA AND  
THE LOCKPORT SOCCER CLUB**

WHEREAS, the Lockport Soccer Club has requested that the County of Niagara grant them permission to operate a Soccer program from April 13, 2026 to August 31, 2026 on an area situated in the County owned property on Davison Road, and

WHEREAS, this program benefits the youth and other residents of both the Town of Lockport in addition to Niagara County as a whole, and

WHEREAS, such program is operated on a not-for-profit basis, and

WHEREAS, the event coordinator will provide all insurances required by the Risk Management Office, and agree to cover all extraordinary expenses associated with event, and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of Niagara County to enter into a formal agreement with the Lockport Youth Soccer Club, and

WHEREAS, prior to the execution of the agreement, the County Attorney will review the agreement for approval as to legal form, language and compliance, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the terms and conditions of the agreement between the County of Niagara and the Lockport Soccer Club, as appears on the proposed agreement, is hereby approved in all respects, and be it further

RESOLVED, that following the County Attorney's review, the agreement with the Lockport Soccer Club may be executed pursuant to the Niagara County Contract Policy.

Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. IF-058-26**

From: Infrastructure & Facilities and Administration Committees.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF NIAGARA  
AND WNY PARTNERSHIP FOR REGIONAL INVASIVE SPECIES MANAGEMENT**

WHEREAS, the WNY Partnership for Regional Invasive Species Management (PRISM) has requested that the County of Niagara grant them permission to use the Burmaster Park, for the purpose of holding an educational nature walk, and

WHEREAS, this program benefits Niagara County as a whole, and is operated on a non-for-profit basis, and

WHEREAS, it is the wish of the organizers to hold the event on August 22, 2026, and

WHEREAS, the event coordinator will provide all insurances required by the Risk Management Office, and agree to cover all extraordinary expenses associated with event, and

WHEREAS, prior to the execution of the agreement, the County Attorney will review the agreement for approval as to legal form, language and compliance, and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of Niagara County to enter into a formal agreement with WNY Partnership for Regional Invasive Species Management, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the terms and conditions of the agreement between the County of Niagara and the WNY Partnership for Regional Invasive Species Management, as appears on the proposed agreement, is hereby approved in all respects, and be it further

RESOLVED, that following the County Attorney's review, the WNY Partnership for Regional Invasive Species Management agreement may be executed pursuant to the Niagara County Contract Policy.

Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. IF-059-26**

From: Infrastructure & Facilities and Administration Committees.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**EAST CANAL ROAD BRIDGE OVER DONNER CREEK  
CHANGE ORDER NO. 3-FINAL**

WHEREAS, Resolution No. IF-145-23, dated October 17, 2023, awarded the contract for the East Canal Road Bridge over Donner Creek Project to Concrete Applied Technologies Corp., c/b/a CATCO, 1266 Townline Road, Alden, NY 14004, for a contract amount not to exceed \$769,029.15, and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. IF-150-24, dated September 17, 2024, extended the contract completion date to October 31, 2024, at no additional cost to the County, and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. IF-123-25, dated August 5, 2025, extend the contract completion date to December 31, 2025, at no additional cost to the County, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to increase the contract in the amount of \$81,719.70 for additional work to repair a waterline for a final contract amount of \$850,748.85, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Pendleton has agreed to pay 5% of the waterline repair which costs \$127,409.54, for a total reimbursement of \$6,370.48, and

WHEREAS, prior to the execution of the required documents, the County Attorney will review them for approval as to legal form, language, and compliance, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the following budget modification be effectuated:

INCREASE ANTICIPATED REVENUE:

H741.15.5197.000 41289.02	Other General Gov Income Misc. Reimbursement	\$6,370.48
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INCREASE ANTICIPATED EXPENSES:

H741.15.5197.000 72600.02	Infrastructure Bridges	\$6,370.48
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and be it further,

RESOLVED, that Change Order No. 3-Final to increase the contract by \$81,719.70 for a final contract amount of \$850,748.85 to Concrete Applied Technologies Corp., c/b/a CATCO, for the East Canal Road Bridge over Donner Creek Project, be approved, and be it further

RESOLVED, that, following the County Attorney's review, the Change Order may be executed pursuant to the Niagara County Contract Policy.

Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. IF-060-26**

From: Infrastructure & Facilities and Administration Committees.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**CLYDE BURMASTER PARK NATURAL PLAYGROUND PHASE I  
CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 -FINAL**

WHEREAS, Resolution No. IF-168-24, dated October 15, 2024, awarded the contract for the Clyde Burmaster Park Natural Playground - Phase I Project to Scott Lawn Yard, Inc., 3305 Haseley Drive, Niagara Falls, NY 14304, for a contract amount not to exceed \$649,693.00, and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. IF-033-25 increased the contract in the amount of \$10,000.00 for unexpected rock excavation, for a revised contract amount of \$659,693.00, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to decrease the contract in the amount of \$969.00 as the project is now complete, for a revised contract amount of \$658,724.00, and

WHEREAS, prior to the execution of the required documents, the County Attorney will review them for approval as to legal form, language and compliance, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Change Order No. 2 - Final to decrease the contract by \$969.00 for the Clyde Burmaster Park Natural Playground - Phase I Project to Scott Lawn Yard, Inc., 3305 Haseley Drive, Niagara Falls, NY 14304, for a revised contract amount of \$658,724.00, be approved, and be it further

RESOLVED, that, following the County Attorney's review, the Change Order may be executed pursuant to the Niagara County Contract Policy.

Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. IF-061-26**

From: Infrastructure & Facilities and Administration Committees.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**NIAGARA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS  
AWARD OF SEALED BID OIL STOP VALVE MECHANISM FOR  
NIAGARA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Purchasing Department issued Sealed Bid #2026-22 Oil Stop Valve Mechanism for Niagara County Department of Public Works on January 27, 2026, and

WHEREAS, the following bids were publicly opened and read by our Purchasing Department on February 12, 2026 as tabulated below:

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| 1. | Technology International Inc.<br>1331 South International Parkway<br>Suite 2251<br>Lake Mary, FL 32746 | \$10,965.00 |
| 2. | F W Webb<br>62 Griswold Street<br>Binghamton, NY 13904   | \$11,812.50 |

WHEREAS, the proposal from Technology International Inc. has been evaluated for compliance with the Sealed Bid parameters and appropriateness of cost and is being funded through Capital Project H523 Public Works Facility, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Sealed Bid #2026-22 Oil Stop Valve Mechanism for Niagara County Department of Public Works be awarded to Technology International Inc., and be it further

RESOLVED, that following the County Attorney's review, the Sealed Bid #2026-22 Oil Stop Valve Mechanism for Niagara County Department of Public Works contract with Technology International Inc. may be executed pursuant to the Niagara County Contract Policy.

Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. IF-062-26**

From: Infrastructure & Facilities and Administration Committees.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**AWARD OF CONTRACT – DATA CABLING PROJECT**

WHEREAS, the Information Technology Department has prepared specifications and the Niagara County Purchasing Department has advertised the bids for the Data Cabling Project for the new Public Works Facility, and

WHEREAS, funds are available in the account number H523.15.1620.000 72200.00, Public Works Facility – Capital, and

WHEREAS, the bids were publicly opened and read by our Purchasing Department on February 27, 2026, and the results are tabulated below:

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| 1. | Manchester CS Inc.<br>347 Wheeler St.<br>Tonawanda, NY 14150 | \$36,225.76 |
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| 2. | Working Knowledge<br>435 Lawrence Bell Dr., Suite 3<br>Buffalo, NY 14221    | \$54,758.78 |
| 3. | Nest Wireless Global<br>135-15 40 <sup>th</sup> Rd<br>Flushing, NY 11354    | \$69,873.17 |
| 4. | Hoefler Communications<br>5894 East Seneca Turnpike<br>Jamesville, NY 13078 | \$81,506.27 |

WHEREAS, Purchasing and Information Technology has examined the bid proposals, and

WHEREAS, prior to the execution of the required documents, the County Attorney will review them for approval as to legal form, language, and compliance, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the contract for the Data Cabling Project be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder, Manchester CS Inc., and not to exceed \$36,225.76, and be it further

RESOLVED, that following the County Attorney's review, the Chairman of the Legislature or County Manager is hereby authorized and directed to execute required documents.

Moved by Foti, seconded by Bradt, to implement the portion of Rule 15 that pertains to voting on a resolution as opposed to referring it to committee.

Carried.

Moved by Foti, seconded by Bradt.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. IF-063-26**

From: Infrastructure & Facilities and Administration Committees.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**NIAGARA COUNTY SOLID WASTE BUDGET MODIFICATION - CLEAN ENERGY  
COMMUNITIES GRANT ACCEPTANCE OF FUNDS**

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Legislature passed Resolution No. IF-001-25 on January 21, 2025, to accept one hundred and twenty-five (\$125,000) from the New York State Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA) Clean Energy Communities Grant Program, and

WHEREAS, New York State Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA) has provided a grant to Niagara County for meeting certain criteria for the Clean Energy Communities Grant Program, and

WHEREAS, the 2-Star award is one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars (\$125,000), which was budgeted in the 2025 Budget process, and

WHEREAS, due to unforeseen challenges the purchases were not able to be made in 2025, and

WHEREAS, these funds will be used in 2026 to finance electric vehicle charging infrastructure, electric landscaping equipment, and purchase two (2) electric vehicles for use in Niagara County, and

WHEREAS, prior to the execution of the required documents, the County Attorney will review them for approval as to legal form, language and compliance, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the following budget modification be effectuated:

INCREASE ANTICIPATED REVENUE:

A.15.8160.802 43989.05 Other Home & Community Service Climate Conscious \$125,000

INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

A.15.8160.802 72100.12 Machinery & Equipment Cars, Vans, Light Trucks \$108,002  
A.15.8160.802 72100.16 Machinery and Equipment Vehicle Equipment \$ 8,000  
A.15.8160.802 72100.20 Machinery and Equipment Buildings and Grounds Equipment \$ 8,998

and it be further,

RESOLVED, that, following the County Attorney's review, the documents may be executed pursuant to the Niagara County Contract Policy.

Approved for Submission.

Moved by Foti, seconded by Casale, to implement the portion of Rule 15 that pertains to voting on a resolution as opposed to referring it to committee.

Carried.

Moved by Foti, seconded by Casale.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. IL-024-26**

From: Legislators Irene M. Myers, Michael A. Hill and Economic Development Committee.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE NIAGARA COUNTY FARM BUREAU  
THROUGH THE USE OF COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUNDING**

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Farm Bureau has been around for more than 100 years, and

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Farm Bureau gives farmers and non-farmers alike the opportunity to be part of an organization dedicated to supporting and enriching the rural way of life, and

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Farm Bureau will be hosting the 2026 Niagara County Farm Safety Clinic on Saturday April 11, 2026, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Niagara County Legislature authorized the allocation of funding for the Community Partnership Program Fund through resolution CW-001-23, and be it further

RESOLVED, that Niagara County supports the Niagara County Farm Bureau appropriating monies from said Community Partnership as follows:

Niagara County Farm Bureau \$1,000.00

Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. IL-025-26**

From: Legislator David E. Godfrey and Economic Development Committee.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE WILSON LIONS CLUB  
THROUGH THE USE OF COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUNDING**

WHEREAS, the Wilson Lions Club has been in existence almost 84 years, and

WHEREAS, the Wilson Lions Club history spans almost 85 years and has been steadfast in its commitment in fostering community health and well-being, addressing visual impairments and local disasters, and

WHEREAS, the Wilson Lions Club is requesting funding to support their Community Youth Programming for 2026, which includes an Easter Egg Hunt and Halloween Party, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Niagara County Legislature authorized the allocation of funding for the Community Partnership Program Fund through resolution CW-001-23, and be it further

RESOLVED, that Niagara County supports the Wilson Lions Club by appropriating monies from said Community Partnership Fund as follows:

Wilson Lions Club	\$1,000.00
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Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. IL-026-26**

From: Legislator David E. Godfrey and Economic Development Committee.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE WILSON COMMUNITY LIBRARY  
THROUGH THE USE OF COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUNDING**

WHEREAS, the Wilson Community Library is committed to excellent service and providing access to quality materials as a way to empower the community and connect people and ideas to inspire lifelong learning through curiosity and creativity, and

WHEREAS, the Wilson Community Library is in the process of increasing programs for adults and children to become a community hub and gathering place, and

WHEREAS, the social gathering for adults and senior citizens will be a coffee and cards/games/puzzles type of group that will meet once a week and their family storytime for children will also be meet once a week, and

WHEREAS the Wilson Community Library is requesting funds for supplies needed to help with both these programs, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Niagara County Legislature authorized the allocation of funding for the Community Partnership Program Fund through resolution CW-001-23, and be it further

RESOLVED, that Niagara County supports the efforts of the Wilson Community Library by appropriating monies from said Community Partnership Fund as follows:

Wilson Community Library	\$3,300.00
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Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. IL-027-26**

From: Legislator Jeffrey Elder and Economic Development Committee.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF BLACK ACHIEVERS INC., OF BUFFALO, NY  
THROUGH THE USE OF COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUNDING**

WHEREAS, Black Achievers Inc. – Buffalo/Niagara Falls, is a 501(c) (3) nonprofit whose mission is to host an awards event to celebrate and showcase the variety and quality of achievements of many African Americans in the community, and

WHEREAS, Black Achievers Inc., purpose is to enlighten, educate, motivate and inspire the community, by elevating our thoughts and expectations to the many possibilities and opportunities that are obtainable to us, which can empower us to change our world, and

WHEREAS, the Black Achievers Inc. sponsors an Annual Awards Banquet in Niagara Falls, which businesses, civic and religious organizations can recognize the accomplishments of individuals who make substantial contributions to their families, communities and places of employment, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Niagara County Legislature authorized the allocation of funding for the Community Partnership Program Fund through resolution CW-001-23, and be it further

RESOLVED, that Niagara County supports Black Achievers Inc. of Buffalo, NY by appropriating monies from said Community Partnership Fund as follows:

Black Achievers Inc. of Buffalo, New York	\$2,000.00
Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.	
Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.	

**Resolution No. IL-028-26**

From: Legislator Jeffrey Elder and Economic Development Committee.  
Dated: March 24, 2026

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE ANNUAL LORD'S DAY DINNER C.O.G.I.C.  
THROUGH THE USE OF COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUNDING**

WHEREAS, the Annual Lord's Day Dinner C.O.G.I.C., is a 501(c) (3) nonprofit committed to making a difference in the City of Niagara Falls, New York through feeding God's people, and

WHEREAS, The Lords Day Dinner has been serving God's people for over three decades, sacrificing and preparing a feast for the people like we would for our own family on Easter Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day, and

WHEREAS, through unwavering faith the Lords Day Dinner is a way to touch the hearts of families, and help them through their journey, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Niagara County Legislature authorized the allocation of funding for the Community Partnership Program Fund through resolution CW-001-23, and be it further

RESOLVED, that Niagara County supports the Annual Lord's Day Dinner C.O.G.I.C., by appropriating monies from said Community Partnership Fund as follows:

Lord's Day Dinner C.O.G.I.C.	\$1,500.00
Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.	
Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.	

**Resolution No. IL-029-26**

From: Legislator Jeffrey Elder and Economic Development Committee.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE GARDEN & HIGHLAND COMMUNITY BLOCK CLUB INC.  
THROUGH THE USE OF COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUNDING**

WHEREAS, the Garden and Highland Community Block Club Inc., of Niagara Falls, NY's mission is to inspire its residents by empowering our community to build a better place one block at a time, and

WHEREAS, the Garden and Highland Community Block Club hosts an annual Community Block Party in July, and

WHEREAS, the events focus on adding pole banners, signage, murals, sculptures, a community garden with flowers, healthy eating information, helping seniors with their lawn care, providing residents' information on grant programs to go back to school, and or job/business opportunities, and

WHEREAS, events of this magnitude can only be successful through full community participation and sponsorships, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Niagara County Legislature authorized the allocation of funding for the Community Partnership Program Fund through resolution CW-001-23, and be it further

RESOLVED, that Niagara County supports the celebratory efforts of the Garden and Highland Community Block Club of Niagara Falls, NY by appropriating monies from said Community Partnership Fund as follows:

The Garden and Highland Community Block Club Inc.	\$1,200.00
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Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. IL-030-26**

From: Legislator Jeffrey Elder and Economic Development Committee.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE SICKLE CELL WARRIORS OF BUFFALO THROUGH THE  
USE OF COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUNDING**

WHEREAS, the Sickle Cell Warriors of Buffalo (SCWB), is a 501(c) (3) nonprofit teamed with Sharing Happy Experiences Everyone Deserves (SHEED'S) in support of our shared mission of community empowerment, advocacy, and education, and

WHEREAS, SHEED'S is hosting an African American Bridal Show & Event Planning Event in celebration of Black Love, and

WHEREAS, SHEED'S will be showcasing the rich history and cultural significances of marriage, and exploring the legacy of the first recorded unions, and celebrating love as a powerful symbol of unity, loyalty, and commitment, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Niagara County Legislature authorized the allocation of funding for the Community Partnership Program Fund through resolution CW-001-23, and be it further

RESOLVED, that Niagara County supports the partnership between The Sickle Cell Warriors of Buffalo and the Happy Experiences Everyone Deserves, by appropriating monies from said Community Partnership Fund as follows:

The Sickle Cell Warriors of Buffalo (SCWB) \$1,200.00

Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. IL-031-26**

From: Legislator Jeffrey Elder and Economic Development Committee.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE TRUE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION  
THROUGH THE USE OF COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUNDING**

WHEREAS, the True Community Development Corporation, is a 501(c) (3) nonprofit teamed with RL Experience, LLC to create the Empower716 Young Entrepreneur Program (YEP), and

WHEREAS, the Empower716 Young Entrepreneur Program (YEP) initiative recognizes, encourages, spotlights, and supports youth of color in Western New York on their entrepreneurial journey, and

WHEREAS, we understand lack of resources and financial support discourages entrepreneurship for youth of color in underserved communities, their mission is to take away those hurdles, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Niagara County Legislature authorized the allocation of funding for the Community Partnership Program Fund through resolution CW-001-23, and be it further

RESOLVED, that Niagara County supports the partnership between RL Experience and the True Community Development Corporation, by appropriating monies from said Community Partnership Fund as follows:

True Community Development Corporation \$2,500.00

Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. IL-032-26**

From: Legislator Jeffrey Elder and Economic Development Committee.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE HEART LOVE & SOUL SISTER BETH BROSNER CENTER  
THROUGH THE USE OF COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUNDING**

WHEREAS, Heart, Love & Soul is a non-profit hunger-relief and social care agency in Niagara Falls dedicated to serving those in need – body, mind, and soul, and

WHEREAS, the Heart Love & Soul has provided the community with wide-reaching food and hospitality services and social care services for all those in Niagara Falls to utilize at no cost, and,

WHEREAS, their newest addition, the Daybreak Program, brings together over 30 community organizations under one roof, allowing guests to easily access the social care services they need in a central location, and

WHEREAS, since the program's inception, they have had thousands of guest interactions, and the Niagara County Legislature wishes to support this program, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Niagara County Legislature authorized the allocation of funding for the Community Partnership Program Fund through resolution CW-001-23, and be it further

RESOLVED, that Niagara County supports the efforts of Heart Love & Soul by appropriating monies from said Community Partnership Fund as follows:

Heart Love & Soul Inc. \$1,500.00  
Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.  
Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. IL-033-26**

From: Legislator Jeffrey Elder and Economic Development Committee.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF GOD'S WOMAN VANESSA SCOTT OUTREACH MINISTRIES, INC. THROUGH THE USE OF COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUNDING**

WHEREAS, God's Woman Vanessa Scott Outreach Ministries (GWVSOM) Inc., is a 501(c) (3) nonprofit committed to making a difference in the City of Niagara Falls, New York as Ambassadors of Christ, Changing one woman at a time, and

WHEREAS, GWVSOM is a faith-based shelter, which provides services that are necessary in assisting homeless women to return to the community and become productive members of society, and

WHEREAS, GWVSOM encourages, educates and empowers everyone to function at their maximum potential, and

WHEREAS, GWVSOM has created a supportive family atmosphere which is conducive to building self-esteem and healing, while promoting the principles of self-determination, respect of self and others, and hope for the future, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Niagara County Legislature authorized the allocation of funding for the Community Partnership Program Fund through resolution CW-001-23, and be it further

RESOLVED, that Niagara County supports God's Woman Vanessa Scott Outreach Ministries Inc., by appropriating monies from said Community Partnership Fund as follows:

God's Woman Vanessa Scott Outreach Ministries Inc., \$1,200.00  
Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.  
Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. IL-034-26**

From: Legislator Jeffrey Elder and Economic Development Committee.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE NIAGARA COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAM, INC. THROUGH THE USE OF COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUNDING**

WHEREAS, the Niagara Community Action Program, Inc.'s mission is to serve the County of Niagara in developing, conducting and administering a community action plan, and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Niagara Community Action Program, Inc. is to initiate, strengthen, supplement, and coordinate efforts to eliminate poverty by making available to the poor, opportunities for education and training, employment, and other services designed to aid them in their struggle against poverty, and

WHEREAS, Niagara Community Action Program, Inc. contracts with other agencies for the conduct and administration of community programs, and

WHEREAS, Niagara Community Action Program, Inc. develops research and evaluation procedures in connection with the anti-poverty programs conducted or funded by the agency, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Niagara County Legislature authorized the allocation of funding for the Community Partnership Fund through resolution CW-001-23, and be it further

RESOLVED, that Niagara County supports the Niagara Community Action Program, Inc., by appropriating monies from said Community Partnership Fund as follows:

The Niagara Community Action Program, Inc.	\$1,500.00
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Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. IL-035-26**

From: Legislators Jeffrey Elder, Christopher J. McKimmie, Christopher A. Robins, Sam R. Farruggia and Economic Development Committee.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF NIAGARA FALLS COMMUNITY LIONS CLUB  
THROUGH THE USE OF COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUNDING**

WHEREAS, the Niagara Falls Community Lions Club, founded in 2019, is dedicated to serving the residents of Niagara Falls through impactful community service projects and collaborative volunteer partnerships; and

WHEREAS, the organization directs one hundred percent (100%) of donated funds toward local initiatives that strengthen community well-being, including environmental stewardship, hunger relief, and vision care; and

WHEREAS, the Niagara Falls Community Lions Club has outlined several 2026 service initiatives, including establishment of a Medical Loan Closet, sponsorship of the 5th Annual Niagara Falls Pop-Up Eye Clinic, support of the Annual 5th Grade Citizenship Awards Ceremony, and

WHEREAS, these initiatives provide direct and meaningful benefit to the residents of Niagara Falls and Niagara County, aligning with the public interest in promoting health, accessibility, youth development, and overall community quality of life, and

RESOLVED, that the Niagara County Legislature authorized the allocation of funding for the Community Partnership Fund through Resolution CW-001-23, and be it further

RESOLVED, that Niagara County supports the Niagara Falls Community Lions Club by appropriating monies from said Community Partnership Fund as follows:

Niagara Falls Community Lions Club	\$2,500.00
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Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. IL-036-26**

From: Legislators Jeffrey Elder, Christopher A. Robins, Sam R. Farruggia, Christopher A. McKimmie and Economic Development Committee.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE NIAGARA ARTS & CULTURAL CENTER (NACC)  
THROUGH THE USE OF COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUNDING**

WHEREAS, the Niagara Arts & Cultural Center (NACC) is a 501(c) (3) nonprofit dedicated to providing creative space & arts/cultural experiences for WNY residents and visitors, and

WHEREAS, the NACC organizes and executes special events to engage community members, to participate in events such as the 2026 Juneteenth festivities, and

WHEREAS, a committee has been formed to organize and run the 2026 Juneteenth festivities to include, a parade, live music, performers, and a variety of different events, and

WHEREAS, this event is essential in promoting family and community unity, and can only be successful through full community participation and sponsorship, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Niagara County Legislature authorized the allocation of funding for the Community Partnership Program Fund through resolution CW-001-23, and be it further

RESOLVED, that Niagara County supports The Niagara Art's & Cultural Center by appropriating monies from said Community Partnership Program Fund as follows:

The Niagara Arts & Cultural Center, Inc.	\$3,000.00
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Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.  
Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. IL-037-26**

From: Legislators Jeffrey Elder, Christopher A. Robins, Sam R. Farruggia, Christopher J. McKimmie and Economic Development Committee.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE LASALLE EDUCATIONAL CLUB INC.'S 4<sup>TH</sup> OF JULY  
PARADE THROUGH THE USE OF COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUNDING**

WHEREAS, the LaSalle Educational Club Inc., is a 501(c) (3) nonprofit whose mission is to support the youth of Niagara Falls in their time of need, aiding in furthering the educational goals of graduate students, and

WHEREAS, the LaSalle Educational Club is teaming with Men Standing Strong Together to host a 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade in the City of Niagara Falls, NY, to celebrate the Country's 250-year birthday, and

WHEREAS, the parade will bring young and old together under positive circumstances as a community, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Niagara County Legislature authorized the allocation of funding for the Community Partnership Program Fund through resolution CW-001-23, and be it further

RESOLVED, that Niagara County supports the celebratory efforts of the LaSalle Educational Club and Men Standing Strong Together for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade by appropriating monies from said Community Partnership Fund as follows:

The LaSalle Educational Club Inc. \$2,000.00  
Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.  
Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. IL-038-26**

From: Legislator Jeffrey Elder and Economic Development Committee.  
Dated: March 24, 2026

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF NIAGARA FALLS EDUCATION FOUNDATION, INC.  
THROUGH THE USE OF COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUNDING**

WHEREAS, the Niagara Falls Education Foundation, Inc., located in the City of Niagara Falls, supports the youth of Niagara Falls by aiding the educational goals of graduating students, and

WHEREAS, Niagara Falls Education Foundation, Inc. provides financial assistance and resources to senior high students in need at Niagara Falls High School for further education, and

WHEREAS, Niagara Falls Education Foundation, Inc. continues to recognize accomplishments and promote future success of the students of Niagara Falls High School, and

WHEREAS, through scholarship awards Niagara Falls Education Foundation, Inc. helps the youth of Niagara Falls High School to better themselves by receiving a higher education and building a stronger community, and

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Legislature wishes to support the Niagara Falls Education Foundation, Inc. in their commitment to our local senior students in Niagara Falls in the amount of \$5,000, and

WHEREAS, Legislator Robins would like to dedicate \$1000 of this allocation to the Niagara Falls High School Baseball team's 2026 trip to Disney, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Niagara County Legislature authorized the allocation of funding for the Community Partnership Program Fund through resolution CW-001-23, and be it further

RESOLVED, that Niagara County supports The Niagara Falls Education Foundation, Inc. by appropriating monies from said Community Partnership Fund as follows:

Niagara Falls Education Foundation, Inc. \$5,000.00  
Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.  
Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. IL-039-26**

From: Legislator Jeffrey Elder and Economic Development Committee.  
Dated: March 24, 2026

**RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE AQUARIUM OF NIAGARA  
THROUGH THE USE OF COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUNDS**

WHEREAS, the Aquarium of Niagara is an anchor tourist attraction in downtown Niagara Falls, and

WHEREAS, the mission of the Aquarium is, with our community and partners, we celebrate our natural wonders and inspire people to make a difference for aquatic life, and

WHEREAS, the Aquarium continues to expand, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Niagara County Legislature authorized the allocation of funding for the Community Partnership Fund through Resolution CW-001-23, and be it further

RESOLVED, that Niagara County supports the Aquarium of Niagara by appropriating monies from said Community Partnership Fund as follows:

Aquarium of Niagara	\$3,000.00
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Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.  
Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. IL-040-26**

From: Legislator Michael A. Casale and Economic Development Committee.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE NORTHWEST JAZZ FESTIVAL  
THROUGH THE USE OF COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUNDING**

WHEREAS, the Northwest Lewiston Jazz Festival will be held in historic Lewiston, NY on August 28-29, 2026, and

WHEREAS, the committee plans a weekend of spectacular entertainment featuring international stars, as well as its own local super talents, and

WHEREAS, the festival plays a significant role in enhancing the quality of life in the Niagara region and also serves as an economic engine for local businesses, attracting more than 40,000 attendees from across Western New York and beyond, and

WHEREAS, an economic impact on the area is estimated to be in excess of \$1.4 million, and

WHEREAS, an event of this magnitude can only be successful through full community participation and sponsorships, and the Niagara County Legislature wishes to support this influx of revenue, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Niagara County Legislature authorized the allocation of funding for the Community Partnership Program Fund through resolution CW-001-23, and be it further

RESOLVED, that Niagara County supports the efforts of the Lewiston Jazz Festival, Inc. by appropriating monies from said Community Partnership Fund as follows:

The Lewiston Jazz Festival, Inc.	\$2,500.00
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Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.  
Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. IL-041-26**

From: Legislator Michael A. Hill and Economic Development Committee.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE ROYALTON-HARTLAND AGRICULTURE FOUNDATION**

**THROUGH THE USE OF COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUNDING**

WHEREAS, in 2020 a group of educators, business leaders and local producers formed the Royalton Hartland Agriculture Foundation (RHAF), and

WHEREAS, the Royalton Hartland Agriculture foundation is a 501c3 entity is independent of the Royalton – Harland (Roy-Hart) Board of Education, and

WHEREAS, the Royalton Hartland Agriculture Foundation’s, mission is to identify and provide investment and resources for innovative and creative approaches to K-12 agriculture education that supports the needs of the Roy-Hart district and regional agricultural community, and

WHEREAS, the Roy-Hart District recently completed Phase 1 of the Agriculture Land Lab and has begun fundraising efforts for Phase 2, which will focus on the purchase and installation of a 12-month greenhouse and headhouse that will benefit student K-12 and the entire community, and

WHEREAS, the Royalton-Hartland Agriculture Foundation is requesting funding to support Phase 2, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Niagara County Legislature authorized the allocation of funding for the Community Partnership Program Fund through resolution CW-001-23, and be it further

RESOLVED, that Niagara County supports Royalton-Hartland Agriculture Foundation by appropriating monies from said Community Partnership Program Fund as follows:

Royalton-Hartland Agriculture Foundation	\$10,000.00
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Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.  
Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. IL-042-26**

From: Legislator Irene M. Myers and Economic Development Committee.  
Dated: March 24, 2026

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF ORGANIZATIONS IN THE TOWN OF PORTER & VILLAGE OF YOUNGSTOWN THROUGH THE USE OF COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUNDING**

WHEREAS, Community Partnership Funds help support numerous organizations across Niagara County that are important to local communities, and

WHEREAS, the various organizations and groups throughout the Town of Porter & Village of Youngstown help with activities, enrichment programs, community events, education, beautification, conservation, support, maintenance and or repair, for our community and citizens of all ages, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Porter & Village of Youngstown support the business and social community, wishing to provide for the citizens a sense of well-being individually and socially, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Niagara County Legislature authorized the allocation of funding for the Community Partnership Program Fund through resolution CW-001-23, and be it further

RESOLVED, that Niagara County supports the organizations listed below as follows:

Ransomville Library	\$1,500.00
Youngstown Library	\$1,500.00

Youngstown Lions Club	\$1,500.00
Town of Porter Recreation	\$1,000.00
Village of Youngstown Friday Night Concert Series	\$1,500.00
Ransomville Garden Club	\$500.00
Youngstown Garden Club	\$500.00
3-F Club	\$1,500.00
Niagara County Gobblers NWTF	\$250.00
St. John's Episcopal Church Strawberry Festival	\$500.00
Cub Scout Pack#829	\$1,000.00
Boy Scout Troop#829	\$1,500.00
Scouting America Troop 829G	\$750.00
Boy Scout Troop#829 Scouts Venture Crew	\$750.00
Village of Youngstown Recreation	\$750.00
Ransomville Business Association Concert Series	\$1,500.00

Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. IL-043-26**

From: Legislators Anthony J. Nemi, Richard E. Abbott and Economic Development Committee.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE KENAN CENTER "NO QUESTIONS ASKED" PROGRAM THROUGH THE USE OF COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUNDING**

WHEREAS, the Kenan Center was established in 1965, and

WHEREAS, the Kenan Center is a 501(c) (3) nonprofit dedicated to community growth in Lockport through cultural, educational and recreational opportunities, and

WHEREAS, the Kenan Center is dedicated to supporting the development of youth through sports and arts programs, and

WHEREAS, the Kenan Center provides these activities through their summer day camp, and

WHEREAS, the planned summer camp has a Financial Aid Program "ASK NO QUESTIONS" that supplements the cost of summer camp for families with limited incomes, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Niagara County Legislature authorized the allocation of funding for the Community Partnership Program Fund through resolution CW-001-23, and be it further

RESOLVED, that Niagara County supports the Kenan Center by appropriating monies from said Community Partnership as follows:

The Kenan Center	\$7,000.00
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Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. IL-044-26**

From: Legislators Anthony J. Nemi, Richard E. Abbott and Economic Development Committee.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE LOCKPORT AREA SOAPBOX DERBY THROUGH THE USE OF COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUNDING**

WHEREAS, the Lockport Soapbox Derby's mission is to inspire creativity, teamwork and a love of racing through the timeless tradition of soapbox derby, and

WHEREAS, the Lockport Soapbox Derby provides a supportive space where builders and drivers of all ages can learn hands-on skills, foster community spirit and experience the thrill or gravity-powered competition, and

WHEREAS, by combining craftsmanship, sportsmanship and fun, they aim to roll forward the innovation, friendship and unforgettable memories, and

WHEREAS, Lockport Area Soapbox Derby has partnered with the City of Lockport to make June 13<sup>th</sup> STEM Day at Outwater Park, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Niagara County Legislature authorized the allocation of funding for the Community Partnership Program Fund through resolution CW-001-23, and be it further

RESOLVED, that Niagara County supports the Lockport Area Soapbox Derby by appropriating monies from said Community Partnership Fund as follows:

Lockport Area Soapbox Derby	\$500.00
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Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.  
Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. IL-045-26**

From: Legislators Christopher J. McKimmie, Jeffrey Elder, Sam R. Farruggia, Christopher A. Robins and Economic Development Committee.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE NIAGARA BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION  
THROUGH THE USE OF COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUNDING**

WHEREAS, the Niagara Beautification Commission (NBC) was organized on August 29, 1978 to address concerns about beautification in the downtown area of the City of Niagara Falls, NY, and

WHEREAS, the Niagara Beautification Commission is formed for the purpose of promoting the beautification of the Niagara Falls area by mobilizing the volunteer resources of the community's private and public sectors, and

WHEREAS, the Niagara Beautification Commission's mission is to implement visual enhancements beautifying the Niagara Falls community, to educate and promote public awareness, and inspire pride in our community, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Niagara County Legislature authorized the allocation of funding for the Community Partnership Program Fund through resolution CW-001-23, and be it further

RESOLVED, that Niagara County supports the Niagara Beautification Commission by appropriating monies from said Community Partnership Fund as follows:

Niagara Beautification Commission	\$2,000.00
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Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.  
Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. IL-046-26**

From: Legislators Christopher J. McKimmie, Jeffrey Elder, Sam R. Farruggia, Christopher A. Robins and Economic Development Committee.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE NIAGARA FALLS LAW ENFORCEMENT FOUNDATION THROUGH THE USE OF COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUNDING**

WHEREAS, the Niagara Falls Law Enforcement Foundation, exists to support the law enforcement efforts of the Police Officers and Detectives of the City of Niagara Falls Police Department, and

WHEREAS, the Niagara Falls Law Enforcement Foundation, provides funding for police officers to conduct community events, youth outreach and activities, and other community policing initiatives, and

WHEREAS, the Niagara Falls Law Enforcement Foundation, is committed to supplementing funding for activities not included in the operating budget of the City of Niagara Falls Police Department, to enhance law enforcement's relationship with the members of our community, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Niagara County Legislature authorized the allocation of funding for the Community Partnership Program Fund through resolution CW-001-23, and be it further

RESOLVED, that Niagara County supports the Niagara Falls Law Enforcement Foundation, by appropriating monies from said Community Partnership Fund as follows:

Niagara Falls Law Enforcement Foundation	\$2,000.00
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Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.  
Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. IL-047-26**

From: Legislators Christopher J. McKimmie, Christopher A. Robins, Jeffrey Elder, Sam R. Farruggia and Economic Development Committee.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE POLICE ATHLETIC LEAGUE OF NIAGARA FALLS NY INC. THROUGH THE USE OF COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUNDING**

WHEREAS, the Police Athletic League of Niagara Falls, NY Inc., commonly known as Niagara PAL has been located in the City of Niagara Falls since 1970, and

WHEREAS, the basic mission of the Niagara Police Athletic League is Juvenile Crime Prevention accomplished by creating better relations between police, citizens, and community youth through a myriad of interactive programs that include the youth in positive endeavors, athletic and non-athletic, within the community structure, and

WHEREAS, Niagara PAL is more than just athletics, with approximately 60 programs Niagara PAL is able to reach nearly 20,000 youths each year, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Niagara County Legislature authorized the allocation of funding for the Community Partnership Program Fund through resolution CW-001-23, and be it further

RESOLVED, that Niagara County supports the Police Athletic League of Niagara Falls NY Inc. by appropriating monies from said Community Partnership Fund as follows:

Police Athletic League of Niagara Falls NY Inc.  
Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.  
Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

\$2,000.00

**Resolution No. IL-048-26**

From: Legislators Jeffrey Elder, Christopher J. McKimmie, Christopher A. Robins, Sam R. Farruggia and Economic Development Committee.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE NIAGARA FALLS VETERANS MEMORIAL  
THROUGH THE USE OF COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUNDING**

WHEREAS, the Niagara Falls Veterans Memorial Commission is responsible for the Veterans Monument located in Hyde Park (Niagara Falls, NY), which serves as an important regional attraction and place of significance for those who served and sacrificed in defense of our nation, and

WHEREAS, Gold Star Families have endured the ultimate sacrifice through the loss of a loved one in military service to our country, and

WHEREAS, the Niagara Falls Veterans Memorial Commission seeks to install a commemorative bench at the Hyde Park Veterans Memorial to honor Gold Star Families and recognize their sacrifice and service to our nation, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Niagara County Legislature authorized the allocation of funding for the Community Partnership Fund through resolution CW-001-23, and be it further

RESOLVED, that Niagara County supports the Niagara Falls Veterans Memorial Commission by appropriating monies from said Community Partnership Fund as follows:

Niagara Falls Veterans Memorial Commission

\$3,500.00

Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. IL-049-26**

From: Legislators Jeffrey Elder, Christopher J. McKimmie, Christopher A. Robins, Sam R. Farruggia and Economic Development Committee.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF NIAGARA PRIDE  
THROUGH THE USE OF COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUNDING**

WHEREAS, Niagara Pride is a 501(c) (3) nonprofit organization serving LGBTQIA+ individuals and families in Niagara Falls, and surrounding communities, and

WHEREAS, Niagara Pride offers services and programs to help ensure of diversity programs in schools, and

WHEREAS, with your support, Niagara Pride can continue to provide trainings for businesses, schools and agencies to build a better life for themselves and their community, and

WHEREAS, Niagara Pride works to provide Pride celebrations and much more throughout Niagara County, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Niagara County Legislature authorized the allocation of funding for the Community Partnership Program Fund through resolution CW-001-23, and be it further

RESOLVED, that Niagara County supports Niagara Pride by appropriating monies from said Community Partnership Program Fund as follows:

Niagara Pride	\$2,000.00
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Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.  
Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. IL-050-26**

From: Legislators Jeffrey Elder, Sam R. Farruggia, Christopher A. Robins and Economic Development Committee.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF LASALLE EDUCATIONAL CLUB INC. PROGRAMS THROUGH THE USE OF COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUNDING**

WHEREAS, LaSalle Educational Club, Inc. supports the youth of Niagara Falls in their time of need, aiding in furthering the educational goals of graduate students, and

WHEREAS, providing several scholarships regardless of race, creed, or ethnicity and to assist families during hardships building lasting communities, and

WHEREAS, the LaSalle Educational Club provides families enrichment, family picnics, Easter egg hunts, movie nights, Christmas parties and Senior companion activities, and

WHEREAS, the LaSalle Educational Club's intention is to help build a greater and stronger community for all people, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Niagara County Legislature authorized the allocation of funding for the Community Partnership Program Fund through resolution CW-001-23, and be it further

RESOLVED, that Niagara County supports The LaSalle Educational Club Inc. by appropriating monies from said Community Partnership Program Fund as follows:

LaSalle Educational Club, Inc.	\$2,000.00
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Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.  
Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. IL-051-26**

From: Legislators Richard L. Andres, Randy R. Bradt, Jesse P. Gooch and Economic Development Committee.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE NORTH TONAWANDA BOTANICAL GARDEN ORGANIZATION THROUGH THE USE OF COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUNDING**

WHEREAS, the North Tonawanda Botanical Garden Organization, Inc. is a 501(c) nonprofit organization established in 2018, and

WHEREAS, the North Tonawanda Botanical Garden Organization teaches citizens about native plants and pollinators, water wise practices, sustainable gardening and environmental stewardship, and

WHEREAS, the North Tonawanda Botanical Garden Organization is committed to maintaining the North Tonawanda Botanical Gardens as a scenic destination for the community, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Niagara County Legislature authorized the allocation of funding for the Community Partnership Program Fund through resolution CW-001-23, and be it further

RESOLVED, that Niagara County supports the North Tonawanda Botanical Garden Organization by appropriating monies from said Community Partnership Program Fund as follows:

North Tonawanda Botanical Garden Organization, Inc.	\$6,000.00
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Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.  
Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. IL-052-26**

From: Legislators Richard L. Andres, Randy R. Bradt, Jesse P. Gooch and Economic Development Committee.  
Dated: March 24, 2026

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF CANAL FEST OF THE TONAWANDAS, INC.  
THROUGH THE USE OF COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUNDING**

WHEREAS, the Canal Fest of the Tonawandas has been a mainstay in Niagara County's tourism offerings in the City of North Tonawanda, with thousands of people attending and bringing a significant economic impact to the community, and

WHEREAS, the Canal Fest of the Tonawandas is a very important event for the Twin City and supports many non for profits in the City of North Tonawanda, and

WHEREAS, an event like this can only be successful through full community participation and sponsorship, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Niagara County Legislature authorized the allocation of funding for the Community Partnership Program Fund through resolution CW-001-23, and be it further

RESOLVED, that Niagara County supports the Canal Fest of the Tonawandas by appropriating monies from said Community Partnership Program Fund as follows:

Canal Fest of the Tonawandas	\$15,000.00
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Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.  
Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. IL-053-26**

From: Legislator David E. Godfrey and Economic Development Committee.  
Dated: March 24, 2026

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF WILSON FIRE CO. #1 LADIES AUXILIARY  
THROUGH THE USE OF COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUNDING**

WHEREAS, it is very important to the Wilson Fire Co. #1 Ladies Auxiliary to help provide the best equipment needed to enable the firefighters to get their jobs done and make it home safely, and

WHEREAS, the Wilson Fire Co. #1 Ladies Auxiliary would like to purchase Heavy Duty Marshalling Aviation Dura Wands to assist the Wilson Fire Co. firefighters during emergency situations, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Niagara County Legislature authorized the allocation of funding for the Community Partnership Program Fund through resolution CW-001-23, and be it further

RESOLVED, that Niagara County supports Wilson Fire Co #1 Ladies Aux by appropriating monies from said Community Partnership Program Fund as follows:

Wilson Fire Co. #1 Ladies Auxiliary	\$400.00
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Moved by Bradt, seconded by Elder.  
Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

**Resolution No. IL-054-26**

From: Legislators Christopher J. McKimmie, Anthony J. Nemi, Irene M. Myers, Michael A. Casale, Jesse P. Gooch, Richard L. Andres, Randy R. Bradt, David E. Godfrey, Michael A. Hill, Richard E. Abbott, Shawn A. Foti.

Dated: March 24, 2026

**A RESOLUTION OPPOSING A PROPOSED \$25 ANNUAL VEHICLE REGISTRATION FEE TO FUND MASS TRANSIT**

WHEREAS, the New York Public Transit Association's President Miguel Velzaques has proposed a \$25 annual NYS Department of Motor Vehicles registration fee applicable to drivers outside of New York City's Metropolitan Transportation Authority region for the purpose of subsidizing mass transit, and

WHEREAS, a fee imposed by the State on every registered vehicle is just a tax by another name, and

WHEREAS, this fee would place an additional financial burden on Niagara County residents who already face significant affordability challenges thanks to skyrocketing costs on basic necessities like utilities, and

WHEREAS, it is not appropriate for Albany to look to Niagara County drivers to subsidize transit funding when our region is largely car-dependent for transportation needs and mass transit is not even an option for most Niagara County residents, and

WHEREAS, this is one more example of downstate politicians having no appreciation for the differences between regions of this state, as such a fee was clearly designed for a dense, transit-rich, metropolitan region, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, the Niagara County Legislature is firmly opposed to any additional vehicle registration fees and urges that Governor Hochul and legislative leaders reject this idea and ensure it is NOT included in the state budget, and be it further

RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be sent to Governor Hochul and the appropriate members of the New York State Legislature.

Moved by McKimmie, seconded by Nemi, to implement the portion of Rule 15 that pertains to voting on a resolution as opposed to referring it to committee.

Carried.

Moved by McKimmie, seconded by Nemi.

Adopted. 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent - Robins.

County Manager Updegrave spoke on Energy and the Casino Compact.

**APPOINTMENTS:**

Appt.

Expires

**COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD:**

Eric Zapalowski, Pharmacist 03/24/26 12/31/29  
4510 Cambria Wilson Rd., Lockport 14094

**MENTAL HEALTH SUBCOMMITTEE:**

Laura Lloyd 03/24/26 12/31/29  
2975 upper Mountain Rd., Sanborn 14132

Tara Porter 03/24/26 12/31/29  
7131 Northview Drive, Lockport 14094

**Alcoholism & Substance Abuse Subcommittee:**

Tracy Fricano Chalmers 03/24/26 12/31/29  
15 Scarbora Dr., Buffalo 14221

Motion by Bradt, second by Elder.

Approved.

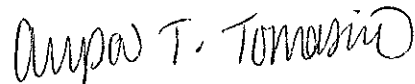
Chairman Hill read the MS4 Annual Report and Stormwater Management Program Plan. Niagara County's Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4) Draft 2025 Annual Report, and Stormwater Management Program Plan are available for Public Review and Comment until March 30, 2026 at the Niagara County Department of Public Works, Administration Office, 2nd Floor, 59 Park Avenue, Lockport, NY 14094 or on the County's Website:

([https://www.niagaracounty.gov/government/county\\_information/stormwater\\_management.php](https://www.niagaracounty.gov/government/county_information/stormwater_management.php))

Moved by McKimmie, seconded by Andres, that the Board adjourn.

The Chairman declared the Board adjourned 6:59 p.m., subject to the call of the Clerk.

No citizens spoke at this time on the General Welfare of the County.



Alysa T. Tomasino, Clerk