

OFFICIAL RECORD

Lockport, New York
May 6, 2025

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Wydysh at 6:05 p.m.

Clerk Tomasino called the roll. All Legislators were present with the exception of Legislators Abbott and Bradt.

Chairman Wydysh called Legislator Gooch and Commissioner of Social Services Meghan Lutz to the lectern read a proclamation declaring the month of May 2025 as "Foster Parent Month" in Niagara County.

Chairman Wydysh called Legislator Hill and Sheriff Filicetti to the lectern to read a proclamation declaring May 4th-10th, 2025 as "Niagara County Correction Officers Week" in Niagara County.

Chairman Wydysh called Legislator Hill and Sheriff Filicetti to the lectern to read a proclamation declaring May 11th-17th, 2025 as "Niagara County Police Week" in Niagara County.

Chairman Wydysh called Savannah Betkowski to the lectern to give an Update on NYS Climate Act.

Chairman Wydysh called Legislator Andres and Chair of the Bridge Commission Kathleen Neville to the lectern to present the 2025 William G. Mayne Jr. Business Community Enhancement Program Awards.

No citizens spoke on the Agenda.

Motion by Hill, second by Robins to remove CSS-059-25 from the Preferred Agenda.

Moved by Hill, second by Robins to accept the Preferred Agenda.

Resolution No. AD-020-25

From: Administration Committee.

Dated: May 6, 2025

REAL PROPERTY TAX CORRECTIONS/CANCELLATIONS NO. COE-2025 C

WHEREAS, the Director of Real Property Tax Services has received applications for refunds and/or corrections applicable to various outstanding Niagara County tax liens, or has been made aware that unenforceable tax liens exist upon certain real property owned by the State of New York and/or the United States, and

WHEREAS, the Director has investigated the claimed erroneous assessments and/or unenforceable liens in accordance with sections 554, 556, and 558 of the New York State Real Property Tax Law, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the applications and/or lien cancellations be approved and/or denied as set forth in the attached Exhibit No. COE-2025 C, which is made a part hereof, and subsequently be charged back to the applicable town, city, special district and school district within the County of Niagara.

Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.

Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.

Resolution No. CS-022-25

From: Community Services and Administration Committees.

Dated: May 6, 2025

**BUDGET MODIFICATION
SAFE HARBOR INITIATIVE**

WHEREAS, 2008 New York State legislation, The Safe Harbor for Exploited Children Act, ended the prosecution of minors under prostitution charges and instead identified minors as victims of commercial sexual exploitation by adults, and

WHEREAS, The Safe Harbor Act is the result of years of advocacy work in New York and around the country in advancing the cause for child victims. The number of sexually exploited children, in addition to data surrounding the correlation between abuse and mental health concerns, highlighted the need for a model shift from criminalizing to protecting victims, and

WHEREAS, resources have been made available for the identification of Commercially Sexually Exploited (CSE) youth, the provision of case coordination and advocacy for CSE youth, assisting youth with access to medical care, mental health counseling, financial assistance, emergency shelter and other basic living and safety needs, crisis intervention, problem solving, action planning, and skill building, and

WHEREAS, Niagara County was selected as one of few counties across the state to receive funds to support the Safe Harbor program, and did receive a renewed allocation of \$35,000 effective 01/01/2025 – 12/31/2025, which is 100 % State funded, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Niagara County Department of Social Services will continue to contract and collaborate with Niagara Falls Memorial Medical Center - Child Advocacy Center, with the goal of providing immediate and intensive services to youth who are sexually exploited, and reduce the risk of continued sexual exploitation and abuse, in accordance with the Safe Harbor Initiative, and be it further

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

INCREASE REVENUE:

A.22.6010.000 43610.01	DSS Admin General	\$ 35,000
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INCREASE APPROPRIATION:

A.22.6010.000 74500.01	Contractual Exp-Contractual	\$ 35,000
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Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.

Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.

Resolution No. CS-023-25

From: Community Services and Administration Committees.

Dated: May 6, 2025

**BUDGET MODIFICATION
ADOPTION AND LEGAL GUARDIANSHIP INCENTIVE FUNDS**

WHEREAS, the New York State Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance (OTDA) did make state-wide funds available for the Adoption and Legal Guardianship Incentive Payments Program, and

WHEREAS, these resources are available to assist local districts in recruiting and strengthening kinship foster and adoptive families, promoting adoptive placements, and increasing the number of children and youth moving from foster care into permanent placements, and

WHEREAS, Niagara County has received an allocation of \$25,000, which is 100% federally funded, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Niagara County Department of Social Services will use these allocated funds for activities associated with foster/adoptive parent recruitment, education/recruitment of kinship guardianship, and supporting kinship foster parents in meeting requirements by purchasing services and/or items to remove barriers relating to fire safety, sleeping arrangements, car seats, medical clearances, transportation, etc, as approved by OTDA, and be it further

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

INCREASE REVENUE

A.22.6010.000 44610.00	DSS Admin Revenue	\$ 25,000
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INCREASE APPROPRIATION:

A.22.6010.000 74000.03	Administrative Costs	\$ 25,000
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Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.

Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.

Resolution No. CS-024-25

From: Community Services and Administration Committees.

Dated: May 6, 2025

**NIAGARA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH & SUBSTANCE ABUSE SVCS
2025 BUDGET MODIFICATION - ABOLISH AND CREATE POSITIONS**

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Department of Mental Health & Substance Abuse Services (NCDMH) is committed to providing exceptional treatment and integrated care services to Niagara County residents in need, and

WHEREAS, position changes within the Department are necessary to address departmental needs, and

WHEREAS, the nature of job responsibilities has changed; the increase and intensity of concerns and required lethality assessments for the Crisis Services Phone Aides and Senior Crisis Services Phone Aide positions, and the acuity of individuals that the Community Mental Health Aide positions are serving are at higher risk with higher needs; creating the need for individuals doing work with more experience and higher qualifications, and

WHEREAS, the Department worked with Civil Service and Human Resources to evaluate the duties and responsibilities of staff in these positions to properly classify and create new job specifications that fit the nature of the job responsibilities, and through an MOA, is in agreement with the CSEA Union, and

WHEREAS, NCDMH is committed to and has demonstrated operating in a fiscally responsible manner, and

WHEREAS, these positions we are seeking to abolish and create are supported 100% through 3rd Party Revenue, State Aid, and Federal Funds, and are at no cost to the County; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that nine (9) full time Crisis Services Phone Aide (HELP Program), Grade 5, Steps 1-8, salary \$42,204 - \$47,082, five (5) part time Crisis Services Phone Aide (HELP Program), Grade 5, Step 1, salary \$19,293, one (1) full time Senior Crisis Services Phone Aide (HELP Program), Grade 7, Steps 1-8, salary \$45,876 - \$52,709, and four (4) full time Community Mental Health Aides (HELP Program), Grade 8, Steps 1-8, salary \$48,196 - \$55,742, be abolished, effective May 25, 2025, and be it further

RESOLVED, that nine (9) full time Crisis Counselor I (HELP Program), Grade 7, Steps 1-8, salary \$45,876 - \$52,709, five (5) part time Crisis Counselor I (HELP Program), Grade 7, Step 1, salary \$20,972, one (1) Full Time Crisis Counselor II (HELP Program), Grade 8, Step 1, salary \$48,196 - \$55,742, and four (4) full time

Case Manager – Mental Health (HELP Program), Grade 10, Step 1, salary \$55,705 - \$65,676, be created within the Niagara County Department of Mental Health, and filled effective May 25, 2025, and be it further

RESOLVED, the following 2025 budget modification be effectuated:

INCREASE REVENUE:

A.21.4310.000.41620.00	Mental Health Fees	\$ 2,208
A.21.4310.000.43490.05	Reinvestment Programs	\$ 15,673
A.21.4310.000.43490.08	Community Support	\$ 20,188
A.21.4310.000.43490.13	SPOA	\$ 3,473
A.21.4310.000.44490.00	Mental Health Programs	\$ 6,624

INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

A.21.4310.000.71010.XXXXXX	Positions	\$ 39,338
A.21.4310.000.78100.00	Retirement Expense	\$ 4,993
A.21.4310.000.78200.00	FICA	\$ 3,017
A.21.4310.000.78300.00	Worker's Comp	\$ 818

Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.

Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.

Resolution No. CS-025-25

From: Community Services and Administration Committees.

Dated: May 6, 2025

**AWARD CDC INFRASTRUCTURE RETENTION BONUS PAYMENTS TO
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH EMPLOYEES**

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Department of Health received CDC Infrastructure funding to Strengthen Public Health Workforce and Foundational Capabilities accepted through resolution CS-035-23, and

WHEREAS, the CDC Infrastructure grant approved a retention bonus for Niagara County Department of Health employees that were Niagara County Department of Health employees at least one full year as of January 1, 2025, and

WHEREAS, the funds to pay for this initiative were approved in the 2025 budget through the CDC Infrastructure Grant, and

WHEREAS, eligible employees for the CDC Infrastructure Bonus are those that worked at least one continuous year in the Niagara County Department of Health either in a full time or part time position (not per diem, interns or seasonal) by January 1, 2025, and are still employed by the Niagara County Department of Health on date of legislature approval, and

WHEREAS, qualified Niagara County Department of Health full time employees would receive \$3,000 in bonus or \$1,500 bonus for part time employees, and

WHEREAS, there is no cost to the County, and

WHEREAS, Niagara County Department of Health must submit timely claims to CDC Infrastructure grant administration and must pay timely approved and funded bonus amounts to qualified employees, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the CDC Infrastructure bonus award be approved and payments made to eligible Public Health employees.

Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.

Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.

Resolution No. CSS-050-25

From: Community Safety & Security and Administration Committees.

Dated: May 6, 2025

**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, 2025 through December 31, 2025, 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 2025 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 Hill, seconded by Robins.

Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.

Resolution No. CSS-051-25

From: Community Safety & Security and Administration Committees.

Dated: May 6, 2025

**NIAGARA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
ACCEPT STOP VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT FORMULA 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 \$50,000 under period 5 of the STOP Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Formula Grant, and

WHEREAS, the STOP VAWA grant funds are used to help fund a full time Crime Victim Advocate dedicated to Domestic Violence cases to help Domestic Violence victims throughout Niagara County, and

WHEREAS, the STOP VAWA Grant is a multiple year grant for a total of \$250,000 from January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2025, and

WHEREAS, the current performance period for the grant is January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025, and

WHEREAS, the funds are already in the 2025 budget, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that following the County Attorney's review, the STOP Violence Against Women Act Formula Grant may be executed pursuant to the Niagara County Contract Policy.

Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.

Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.

Resolution No. CSS-052-25

From: Community Safety & Security and Administration Committees.

Dated: May 6, 2025

**NIAGARA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
AWARD CONSULTANT CONTRACT JAIL DOORS REPLACEMENT**

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Sheriff's Office evaluated proposals from pre-qualified consulting engineering firms to assist the County with design services for the Niagara County Sheriff's Office Jail Doors Replacement Project, and

WHEREAS, responses to the RFQ were received from Azar Designs and LaBella Associates, and

WHEREAS, evaluation of the proposals scored LaBella Associates higher, 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 consultant services contract for the design of the Niagara County Sheriff's Office Jail Doors Replacement Project, be awarded to Labella Associates, P.C., Olympic Towers, 300 Pearl Street, Suite 1320, Buffalo, New York 14202, and, be it further

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

Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.

Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.

Resolution No. CSS-053-25

From: Community Safety & Security and Administration Committees.

Dated: May 6, 2025

**NIAGARA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
AWARD CONTRACT FOR EMERGENCY REPAIR OF NIAGARA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
HELICOPTER THERMAL IMAGING COMPONENT**

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Sheriff's Office has a helicopter which is used for various law enforcement functions, including searches during daylight and nighttime, and

WHEREAS, the Thermal Imaging Technology component for the helicopter is not functioning which makes night searches almost impossible and ineffective, and

WHEREAS, the Thermal Imaging Component (Israel Aircraft Industries (IAI) POP300 series airborne EO/IR imaging system) is a legacy component which is no longer supported by the manufacturer, and

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Sheriff's Office Aviation team has attempted repair by their mechanics which was unsuccessful and subsequently identified Bison Aviation LLC dba Bison AeroTac as the only FAA Aircraft

Repair Station in the United States which still has the capability to offer repair and maintenance services for the IAI POP300 series airborne EO/IR imaging system, and

WHEREAS, Bison Aviation LLC dba Bison AeroTac has provided a quote of \$22,730.28 to provide the needed repair, and

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Sheriff's Office has identified this repair to be an emergency situation due to the current lack of capability to conduct night searches with the helicopter and the possibility of a necessary night search at any time, and

WHEREAS, an Emergency Purchase Justification form was provided to the Niagara County Purchasing Department and the Chairman of the Legislature to approve the declaration of an emergency for repair in the amount of \$22,730.28, and

WHEREAS, the Emergency Declaration was signed on April 17, 2025 for a non-competitive award of the contract for the repair of the Niagara County Sheriff's Office Helicopter's Thermal Imaging Technology, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Niagara County Legislature accept the notice of the Emergency Repair of the Niagara County Sheriff's Office Helicopter Thermal Imaging Technology, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Emergency Repair of the Niagara County Sheriff's Office Helicopter Thermal Imaging Technology project contract be awarded to Bison Aviation LLC dba Bison AeroTac and that following the County Attorney's review, the contract may be executed pursuant to the Niagara County Contract Policy.

Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.

Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.

Resolution No. CSS-054-25

From: Community Safety & Security and Administration Committees.

Dated: May 6, 2025

**NIAGARA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
AWARD OF SEALED BID FOR SAFEBOAT COLLAR SYSTEM RE-BID FOR NIAGARA COUNTY
SHERIFF'S MARINE PATROL**

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Purchasing Department issued Sealed Bid # 2025-01 Safeboat Collar System Re-Bid for Niagara County Sheriff's Marine Patrol, and

WHEREAS, one bid response was received from Michael's Equipment & Marine Repair, LLC in the amount of \$27,550.00, and

WHEREAS, the proposal from Michael's Equipment & Marine Repair, LLC has been evaluated for compliance with the Sealed Bid parameters and appropriateness of cost, and

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Sheriff's Office has found the proposal from Michael's Equipment & Marine Repair, LLC to be an acceptable proposal, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Sealed Bid # 2025-01 Safeboat Collar System Re-Bid for Niagara County Sheriff's Marine Patrol be awarded to Michael's Equipment & Marine Repair, LLC, and be it further

RESOLVED, that following the County Attorney's review, the contract for the Safeboat Collar System Re-Bid for Niagara County Sheriff's Marine Patrol with Michael's Equipment & Repair, LLC may be executed pursuant to the Niagara County Contract Policy.

Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.

Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.

Resolution No. CSS-055-25

From: Community Safety & Security and Administration Committees.

Dated: May 6, 2025

**NIAGARA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
AWARD OF SEALED BID FOR SERVICE ENHANCEMENTS AT OLCOTT TOWER SITE FOR
NIAGARA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Purchasing Department issued Sealed Bid # 2025-28 Service Enhancements at Olcott Tower Site for Niagara County Sheriff's Office, and

WHEREAS, one bid response was received from M.H. Thilk Electric LLC in the amount of \$86,934.00, and

WHEREAS, the proposal from M.H. Thilk Electric LLC has been evaluated for compliance with the Sealed Bid parameters and appropriateness of cost, and

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Sheriff's Office has found the proposal from M.H. Thilk LLC to be an acceptable proposal, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Sealed Bid # 2025-28 Service Enhancements at Olcott Tower Site for Niagara County Sheriff's Office be awarded to M.H. Thilk Electric LLC, and be it further

RESOLVED, that following the County Attorney's review, the contract for Service Enhancements at Olcott Tower Site for Niagara County Sheriff's Office with M.H. Thilk Electric LLC may be executed pursuant to the Niagara County Contract Policy.

Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.

Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.

Resolution No. CSS-056-25

From: Community Safety & Security and Administration Committees.

Dated: May 6, 2025

**NIAGARA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
BUDGET MODIFICATION - UPGRADE FORENSIC LAB CLERICAL I POSITION**

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Sheriff's Office has a Clerical I position in the Forensic Lab which is responsible for intake of evidence, testifying in court as to the Chain of Evidence, maintenance of appropriate records in accordance with accreditation guidelines as well as clerical support of the Forensic Lab, and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff's Office has analyzed the responsibilities and duties of the employee who is responsible for the handling of evidence, inventory records and chain of custody according to the Accreditation standards in the Forensic Laboratory and have determined that the level of complexity and responsibility of the position is more appropriate to a Property/Evidence Clerk position than a Clerical I position, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that a Property/Evidence Clerk position be created and filled in the 2025 Budget at CSEA Job Group 6 Step 1 at \$23.95/hour effective May 25, 2025, and be it further

RESOLVED, that Clerical I position #13558 be abolished as of May 25, 2025, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the following budget modification be effectuated:

DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

A.17.3110.000 71010.00	Position Expense	
	Clerical I Position #13558	\$25,000
	Forensic Scientist I #13947	\$ 1,500

INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

A.17.3110.000 71010.00	Position Expense	\$26,500
	Property/Evidence Clerk (#NEW)	

Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.

Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.

Resolution No. CSS-057-25

From: Community Safety & Security and Administration Committees.

Dated: May 6, 2025

**NIAGARA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
PRIME CARE MEDICAL OF NEW YORK, INC FOURTH AMENDMENT**

WHEREAS, on January 19, 2021 the Niagara County Legislature approved in Resolution CSS-011-21 for the Niagara County Sheriff's Office to enter into a contract with Prime Care Medical of New York, Inc, Personalcare Registered Professional Nursing P.C., Professional Care Medical Practice P.C., and Professional Care Dental Services PC to continue to provide medical care for the incarcerated individuals at the Niagara County Correctional Facility, and

WHEREAS, New York State has mandated that each correctional facility in the state have a Medicated Assisted Treatment ("MAT") Program which is designed to help incarcerated individuals who have a substance use disorder, and

WHEREAS, the MAT Program requires additional medical testing, medications and dispensing of medications, all of which create extra expense for the medical care provider in each correctional facility, and

WHEREAS, Prime Care Medical of New York Inc and the PCs have been managing and executing the MAT program at the Niagara County Correctional Facility since January 1, 2023 which has demanded significant time and resources at additional expense to the provider, and

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Legislature approved in Resolution CSS-057-23 to compensate Prime Care Medical of New York Inc and the PCs in the amount of \$153,000 for administration and management of the facility's MAT program for 2023, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Niagara County's agreement with Prime Care Medical of New York Inc and the PCs be amended to include compensation in the amount of \$153,000 per year for administration and management of the facility's MAT program for the 2025 and 2026 calendar years, and be it further

RESOLVED, that following the County Attorney review, the Fourth Amendment to the Prime Care Medical agreement may be executed pursuant to the Niagara County Contract Policy.

Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.

Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.

Resolution No. CSS-058-25

From: Community Safety & Security and Administration Committees.

Dated: May 6, 2025

ADOPTING THE NIAGARA COUNTY ARSON CONTROL PLAN

WHEREAS, Section 204-C of the General Municipal Law requires that each county develop a plan for arson investigation within the county and submit it to the New York State Office of Fire Prevention and Control (NYS-OFPC) for approval, and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this enactment is to ensure that local governments throughout New York State take steps to coordinate the activities of existing agencies involved in the investigation and prosecution of arson, and

WHEREAS, the objective of the Niagara County Fire Investigation Team since its creation has been to implement a plan which would effectively combat the activities of arsonists, and

WHEREAS, for such a plan to be successful, the Cities of Niagara Falls, North Tonawanda, and Lockport should be actively involved in this effort, and

WHEREAS, Niagara County has reviewed the Plan and affirms that the Plan will be updated as necessary, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that prior to submitting the plan to NYS-OFPC, the County Attorney will review the plan for approval as to legal form, language and compliance, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Niagara County Legislature hereby approves and adopts the Niagara County Arson Control Plan, subject to the approval of the New York State Office of Fire Prevention and Control.

Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.

Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.

Resolution No. CSS-059-25

From: Community Safety & Security and Administration Committees.

Dated: May 6, 2025

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

WHEREAS, the Statewide Indigent Legal Services (ILS) has reallocated unused funds from the original Hurrell-Harring grant for Niagara County in the amount of \$770,834.00, and

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Public Defender's Office wishes to utilize a portion of said reallocated unused funds to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with Legal Aid of Buffalo, Inc. to handle all Appellate cases at a cost of \$250,000.00 for the 2025 budget year, and

WHEREAS, the Memorandum of Agreement has been approved as to form by the Niagara County Attorney's Office, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Niagara County Legislature approve the Memorandum of Agreement, and be it further

RESOLVED, the following 2025 budget modification be effectuated:

INCREASE REVENUE:

A.03.1170.000 43025.03	ILS Hurrell-Harring Settlement	\$250,000
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INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

A.03.1170.000 74500.01	Contractual Expenses	\$250,000
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Moved by Wydysch, seconded by Hill to Table resolution.

13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.

Approved.

Resolution No. CW-008-25

From: Committee of the Whole.

Dated: May 6, 2025

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SETTLEMENT BETWEEN
NIAGARA COUNTY AND PICONE CONSTRUCTION CORPORATION AND LIBERTY MUTUAL
INSURANCE COMPANY CONCERNING THE PUBLIC WORKS FACILITY (PROJECT NO. 2007)**

WHEREAS, on or about October 31, 2024, Picone Construction Corporation submitted a bid for the public works project known as “Niagara County New Public Works Facility, Project No. 2007 (the “Project”), including a bid bond in that amount of 5% of the Project, which was issued by Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, and

WHEREAS, despite being the successful bidder and receiving proper notice of the award, Picone failed and refused to execute the contract documents, and

WHEREAS, on April 8, 2025 the Niagara County Legislature directed that all necessary legal proceedings against Picone and Liberty Mutual be commenced to recover those amounts due and owing to Niagara County for Picone and Liberty Mutual’s failure to perform contractual and legal obligations (Resolution CW-007-25), and

WHEREAS, Niagara County was prepared to commenced litigation against both parties in Niagara County Supreme Court, and

WHEREAS, this matter now presents an opportunity for settlement thereby avoiding additional litigation, trial and adverse judicial determinations, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to settlement discussions, Picone has agreed to pay Niagara County \$245,000 in resolution to this matter, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, it is in the best interest of Niagara County to resolve these matters, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Niagara County Legislature has the authority to settle this matter in the amount of \$245,000.00, and be it further

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, Rebecca J. Wydysch, or her designee, of the Settlement Agreement is hereby authorized, and the Chairman of the Niagara County Legislature, Rebecca J. Wydysch, or her designee, is hereby authorized, subject to the approval of the Niagara County Attorney, Claude A. Joerg, and directed to execute the Settlement Agreement in a form substantially similar thereto and execute such other documents as may be necessary and appropriate to effectuate the settlement with Picone and Liberty Mutual Company.

Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.

Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.

Resolution No. CW-009-25

From: Committee of the Whole.

Dated: May 6, 2025

**RATIFICATION OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN NIAGARA COUNTY
DEPUTY SHERIFFS ASSOCIATION AND THE COUNTY OF NIAGARA AND
THE SHERIFF OF THE COUNTY OF NIAGARA**

WHEREAS, the County of Niagara, and the Sheriff of the County of Niagara, and the Niagara County Deputy Sheriffs Association (DSA) have reached a tentative agreement for the period of January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2027, (the Tentative Agreement), incorporated herein and made a part hereof by reference, and

WHEREAS, said Tentative Agreement was ratified by DSA on May 1, 2025, and

WHEREAS, funds are available in the 2025 budgeted appropriations to carry out the fiscal obligations in the tentative agreement, 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 upon a vote and approval of the County Legislature on May 6, 2025, the Tentative Agreement will be approved as the final ratified agreement between the parties for the period of January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2027 (the "Agreement"), and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Manager is authorized to direct the Departments of Human Resources, Risk Management, Budget, and the Treasurer's Office to implement and administer the provisions of the Agreement, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Legislature be, and hereby is authorized to execute said agreement on behalf of the County of Niagara, subject to the approval of the County Attorney.

RESOLVED, that the following budget modification be effectuated:

DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

A.08.1991.00074500.01	General Government Support	\$	771,688
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INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

A.17.3020.00071010.00	Positions Expense	\$	90,370
A.17.3020.00071032.00	Training Allowance Expense	\$	6,816
A.17.3020.00071033.00	Job Parity Expense	\$	615
A.17.3020.00071034.00	Briefing Time Expense	\$	3,296
A.17.3020.00071050.00	Overtime Expense	\$	3,500
A.17.3020.00071070.00	Shift Differential Expense	\$	10,862
A.17.3020.00078100.00	Retirement Expense	\$	19,853
A.17.3020.00078200.00	FICA Expense	\$	8,831
A.17.3020.00078300.00	Worker's Compensation Expense	\$	2,407
A.17.3110.00071010.00	Positions Expense	\$	3,183
A.17.3110.00071032.00	Training Allowance Expense	\$	254
A.17.3110.00071034.00	Briefing Time Expense	\$	333
A.17.3110.00078100.00	Retirement Expense	\$	593
A.17.3110.00078200.00	FICA Expense	\$	200
A.17.3110.00078300.00	Worker's Compensation Expense	\$	72

A.17.3150.00071010.00	Positions Expense	\$	351,306
A.17.3150.00071032.00	Training Allowance Expense	\$	27,112
A.17.3150.00071034.00	Briefing Time Expense	\$	13,142
A.17.3150.00071050.00	Overtime Expense	\$	40,775
A.17.3150.00071060.00	Beeper Pay Expense	\$	14,000
A.17.3150.00071070.00	Shift Differential Expense	\$	33,835
A.17.3150.00078100.00	Retirement Expense	\$	93,549
A.17.3150.00078200.00	FICA Expense	\$	36,715
A.17.3150.00078300.00	Worker's Compensation Expense	\$	10,069

Moved by Andres, seconded by Nemi.

Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.

Resolution No. ED-012-25

From: Economic Development Committee.

Dated: May 6, 2025

APPROVAL OF LOW-COST POWER BENEFIT TO WOODCOCK BROTHERS BREWING CO., INC. UNDER THE AGREEMENT FOR THE SALE & PURCHASE OF NIAGARA PROJECT POWER & ENERGY (ASPNPPE)

WHEREAS, the County of Niagara entered into the Host Community Relicensing and Settlement Agreement (“HCRSA”) on June 25, 2005, and

WHEREAS, the HCRSA entitles the County of Niagara to 9 megawatts of low-cost power allocation (at 70% load) from the New York Power Authority, and

WHEREAS, the County of Niagara has made the use of this low-cost power allocation for economic development purposes as the top priority for that allocation, and

WHEREAS, there is presently an Agreement for the Sale and Purchase of Niagara Project Power and Energy (“ASPNPPE”) that has been approved by the County of Niagara and NYPA and the Governor of the State of New York, and

WHEREAS, the ASPNPPE specifically provides that the County of Niagara could use its low-cost power allocation for economic development purposes, and

WHEREAS, the County of Niagara has taken the necessary actions to fully implement the benefits contained in the HCRSA and the ASPNPPE, and

WHEREAS, the County of Niagara established the Empower Niagara Board by Resolution ED-021-07 to review applications for the use of low-cost power for economic development by reviewing applications and to make recommendations to the Legislature of Niagara County, and

WHEREAS, the County of Niagara has previously awarded to Woodcock Brothers Brewing Co. Inc. for this same project under resolution ED-015-22, 95 kw (at 70% load factor), which agreement expired on March 31, 2025, and

WHEREAS, the Empower Niagara Board has reviewed the extension request of Woodcock Brothers Brewing Co. Inc. for the use of low cost power to allow it to remain competitive in Niagara County and Woodcock Brothers Brewing Co. Inc. has met or exceeded each part of the previous application, including a further investment in the North Tonawanda location with the addition of two new production tanks and a ten-ton chiller, which are upgrades that are essential to keep up with a growing customer base and to maintain the

quality that the community has come to expect, and

WHEREAS, Woodcock Brothers Brewing Co. Inc. has remained committed to contributing to the local economy by furthering its mission to foster growth and opportunity within Niagara County by expanding its Wilson location by welcoming two new tenants, and

WHEREAS, Woodcock Brothers Brewing Co. Inc. has met or exceeded all the criteria qualifying its original project for consideration and the Empower Niagara Board is recommending approval of a three-year extension of the agreement, and

WHEREAS, the demand usage of Woodcock Brothers Brewing Co. Inc. will remain at 95 kw (at 70% load factor) of low-cost power, and

WHEREAS, the approval of the Woodcock Brothers Brewing Co. Inc. renewal application will not only maintain economic development in Niagara County, but will also assist Woodcock Brothers Brewing Co. Inc. to remain competitive in the microbrewery and restaurant business, and

WHEREAS, the Empower Niagara Board recommends the approval of the extension of low-cost power allocation of 95kw (at 70% load factor) for a period of three (3) years commencing April 1, 2025 to Woodcock Brothers Brewing Co. Inc., now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Niagara County Legislature hereby approves Woodcock Brothers Brewing Co. Inc. request for a three-year extension of low-cost power benefits from Niagara County, pursuant to low-cost power allocation received through the June 25, 2005 HCRSA and ASPNPPE, 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 Empower User Agreement for Low-Cost Power with Woodcock Brothers Brewing Co. Inc. for an extension of 95 kw (at 70% load factor) of low-cost power for an additional three-year period.

Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.

Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.

Resolution No. IF-082-25

From: Infrastructure & Facilities and Administration Committees.

Dated: May 6, 2025

NIAGARA COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS SOLE SOURCE STANDARDIZATION NATIONAL GRID

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Public Works Department has contracted a project to install EV Charging Stations at three (3) Niagara County park locations; Krull Park in the Town of Newfane, Royalton Ravine Park in the Town of Royalton, and Burmaster Park in the Town of Lewiston, and

WHEREAS, National Grid is the only utility company which can provide electrical service in these park locations, and

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Public Works Department has received a permanent easement request from National Grid to effectively replace conductors going across the street at E. Main Street to the new pole at Krull Park located at 6108 E Lake Road, Olcott, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that for reasons of efficiency and economy, pursuant to General Municipal Law 103(5), there is a need for sole source purchase and standardization for the Niagara County Public Works Department in the upgrade of electrical service to Krull Park on E. Lake Road, Olcott; Royalton Ravine Park on Gasport Road,

Gasport; Burmaster Park on Lower Mountain Road, Ransomville and future projects in which National Grid is the power utility company for the area, and be it further

RESOLVED, that it is hereby determined that National Grid is the sole provider of electrical utility service for areas within Niagara County and that the Public Works Department is hereby authorized to purchase the electrical service work from National Grid in all areas where National Grid is the sole electrical utility company without the need to solicit for alternate proposals, and such purchase is to be made in consultation with the Purchasing Department and in accordance with budgetary procedures, and be it further

RESOLVED, that following the County Attorney's review, all orders with National Grid may be executed pursuant to the Niagara County Contract Policy.

Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.

Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.

Resolution No. IF-083-25

From: Infrastructure & Facilities and Administration Committees.

Dated: May 6, 2025

**NIAGARA COUNTY KRULL PARK PERMANENT EASEMENT FOR
NATIONAL GRID**

WHEREAS, the County of Niagara owns property located on E. Lake Road, commonly known as Krull Park, within the Town of Newfane, and

WHEREAS, the Krull Park requires an upgrade in electric service for the proposed installation of a new EV Charging Station at this location, and

WHEREAS, National Grid requires an Permanent Easement to effectively replace conductors going across the street to the new pole on E. Main Street for this EV Charging Unit installation, and

WHEREAS, the proposed 20 foot wide Permanent Easement, would be commencing at a point in the boundary of the Park, as more fully described in said Permanent Easement, 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 Niagara County Legislature grant to National Grid a 20 foot wide Permanent Easement along E. Main Street, and be it further

RESOLVED, that, following the County Attorney's review, the Permanent Easement with National Grid for Krull Park conductor replacement, may be executed pursuant to the Niagara County Contract Policy.

Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.

Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.

Resolution No. IF-084-25

From: Infrastructure & Facilities and Administration Committees.

Dated: May 6, 2025

**AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF NIAGARA
AND THE OLCOTT FIRE COMPANY SOFTBALL LEAGUE**

WHEREAS, the Olcott Fire Company Softball League has requested that the County of Niagara grant them permission to use existing ball fields in an area situated in the eastern portion of Krull Park for the purpose of softball games Tuesdays from May 2025 – August 2025, and

WHEREAS, this program benefits the 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 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 to enter into a formal agreement with the Olcott Fire Company Softball League, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the terms and conditions of the agreement between the County of Niagara and the Olcott Fire Company Softball League, 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 Olcott Fire Company Softball League agreement may be executed pursuant to the Niagara County Contract Policy.

Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.

Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.

Resolution No. IF-085-25

From: Infrastructure & Facilities and Administration Committees.

Dated: May 6, 2025

**PAVEMENT RESURFACING ON UPPER MOUNTAIN ROAD FROM LOCKPORT JUNCTION ROAD
TO 700' NORTH OF NY 31, TOWN OF LOCKPORT, NIAGARA COUNTY FEDERAL AID LOCAL
PROJECT AGREEMENT SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT NO. 1**

WHEREAS, the pavement resurfacing on Upper Mountain Road from Lockport Junction Road to 700 feet north of NY Route 31 Project, Town of Lockport, Niagara County, is eligible for funding under Title 23 US Code, as amended, that calls for the apportionment of the costs of such program to be borne at the ratio of 80% Federal Funds, 15% Marchiselli Funds, and 5% Local Funds, and

WHEREAS, the County of Niagara desires to advance the Project by making a commitment of 100% of the Local Fund share of the costs of the Engineering (Design Phases I-VI) and Construction/Construction Inspection phases of the project, 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 Legislature of the County of Niagara hereby approves the above-subject project, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Legislature of the County of Niagara hereby authorizes the County of Niagara to pay in the first instance 100% of the federal and non-federal shares of the cost of the Engineering (Design Phases I-VI) and Construction/Construction Inspection phases of the Project or portions thereof, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the following budget modification be effectuated:

INCREASE REVENUE:

H769.15.5112.000 44597.01	Federal Aid Cap Const Hwy	\$1,840,000
H769.15.5112.000 43591.00	State Aid Cap Const Hwy	\$ 345,000
H769.15.5112.000 43501.00	Consol Hwy Aid Revenue	\$ 85,000

INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

H769.15.5112.000 72600.01	Infrastructure Roads	\$2,270,000
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and be it further

RESOLVED, that the sum of \$2,610,000 is hereby appropriated in account H769.15.5112.000 72600.01 and made available to cover the cost of participation in the above phases of the project, and be it further

RESOLVED, that in the event the amount required to pay the full Federal and Non-Federal shares of the cost of the project's Engineering (Design Phases I-VI) and Construction/Construction Inspection phases exceeds the amount appropriated above, the County of Niagara shall convene its Legislature as soon as possible to appropriate said excess amount immediately upon the notification by the New York State Department of Transportation, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Legislature of the County of Niagara be, and hereby is, authorized to execute all necessary Agreements, certifications, or reimbursement requests for Federal Aid on behalf of the County of Niagara with the New York State Department of Transportation, in connection with the advancement or approval of the Project providing for the administration of the Project and the Municipality's first instance funding of Project costs and permanent funding of the local share of Federal Aid eligible Project costs and all Project costs within appropriations therefor that are not so eligible, and be it further

RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this Resolution be filed with the New York State Commissioner of Transportation by attaching it to any necessary Agreement in connection with the Project, and be it further

RESOLVED, that following the County Attorney's review, the Agreement may be executed pursuant to the Niagara County Contract Policy, and be it further

RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.

Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.

Resolution No. IF-086-25

From: Infrastructure & Facilities and Administration Committees.

Dated: May 6, 2025

**AWARD OF CONTRACT – RAPIDS ROAD: RAYMOND ROAD TO GOODRICH ROAD
AND RAYMOND ROAD: RAPIDS ROAD TO DYSINGER ROAD**

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works has prepared specifications and the Niagara County Purchasing Department has advertised for bids for the Rapids Road: Raymond Road to Goodrich Road and Raymond Road: Rapids Road to Dysinger Road Project, and

WHEREAS, funds are available in account number H708.15.5112.000 72600.01, Roads, and

WHEREAS, the following bids were publicly opened and read by our Purchasing Department on March 27, 2025 as tabulated below:

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| 1. | Concrete Applied Technologies Corp.
d/b/a CATCO
1266 Townline Road
Alden, NY 14004 | \$5,928,886.55 |
| 2. | Edbauer Construction
2790 Clinton Street
West Seneca, NY 14224 | \$6,281,712.25 |
| 3. | Milherst Construction
10025 County Road, PO Box 430
Clarence Center, NY 14032 | \$6,770,438.00 |

and

WHEREAS, the Infrastructure & Facilities Committee has examined the bid, 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 Rapids Road: Raymond Road to Goodrich Road and Raymond Road: Rapids Road to Dysinger Road Project, be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder, Concrete Applied Technologies Corp., d/b/a CATCO, 1266 Townline Road, Alden, NY 14004, in the amount of \$5,928,886.55, and be it further

RESOLVED, that, following the County Attorney's review, the agreement for the Rapids Road: Raymond Road to Goodrich Road and Raymond Road: Rapids Road to Dysinger Road Project, may be executed pursuant to the Niagara County Contract Policy.

Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.

Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.

Resolution No. IF-087-25

From: Infrastructure & Facilities and Administration Committees.

Dated: May 6, 2025

AWARD OF CONTRACT – BRIDGE DECK OVERLAYS 2024

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works has prepared specifications and the Niagara County Purchasing Department has advertised for bids for the Bridge Deck Overlays 2024 Project, and

WHEREAS, funds are available in account number D.15.5120.000 74800.06, Repairs and Maintenance, and

WHEREAS, the following bids were publicly opened and read by our Purchasing Department on March 27, 2025 as tabulated below:

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| 1. | Milherst Construction
10025 County Road, PO Box 430
Clarence Center, NY 14032 | \$ 89,229.50 |
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| 2. | Thomann Asphalt Paving
56 Gunnville Road
Lancaster, NY 14086 | \$ 92,250.00 |
| 3. | Edbauer Construction
2790 Clinton Street
West Seneca, NY 14224 | \$168,536.00 |
| 4. | Hunting Valley Construction
825 Rein Road
Cheektowaga, NY 14225 | \$224,872.00 |

and

WHEREAS, the Infrastructure & Facilities Committee has examined the bid, 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 Bridge Deck Overlays 2024 Project, be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder, Milherst Construction, 10025 County Road, PO Box 430, Clarence Center, NY 14032, in the amount of \$89,229.50, and be it further

RESOLVED, that, following the County Attorney's review, the agreement for the Bridge Deck Overlays 2024 Project, may be executed pursuant to the Niagara County Contract Policy.

Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.

Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.

Resolution No. IF-088-25

From: Infrastructure & Facilities and Administration Committees.

Dated: May 6, 2025

**GOLF COURSE SITE IMPROVEMENTS LOCKER ROOM MODIFICATION – GENERAL
CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT CHANGE ORDER NO.1**

WHEREAS, Resolution No. IF-189-24, dated November 12, 2024, authorized the contract for Golf Course Site Improvements – Locker Room Modification – General Construction to Cavlee Development, 5983 South Transit Road, Lockport, NY 14094, for a contract amount of \$405,000, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to extend the contract completion date to December 31, 2025 at no additional cost to the 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 Change Order No. 1 to extend the contract completion date to December 31, 2025 for the Golf Course Site Improvements – Locker Room Modification – General Construction, to Cavlee Development, 5983 South Transit Road, Lockport, NY 14094, at no additional cost to the County, be approved, and be it further

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

Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.

Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.

Resolution No. IF-089-25

From: Infrastructure & Facilities and Administration Committees.

Dated: May 6, 2025

**GOLF COURSE SITE IMPROVEMENTS LOCKER ROOM MODIFICATION – MECHANICAL
CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT CHANGE ORDER NO.1**

WHEREAS, Resolution No. IF-192-24, dated November 12, 2024, authorized the contract for Golf Course Site Improvements – Locker Room Modification – Mechanical Construction Project to Parise Mechanical, 1106 Sheridan Drive, Tonawanda, NY 14150, for a contract amount of \$122,000, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to extend the contract completion date to December 31, 2025 at no additional cost to the 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 Change Order No. 1 to extend the contract completion date to December 31, 2025 for the Golf Course Site Improvements – Locker Room Modification – Mechanical Construction Project, to Parise Mechanical, 1106 Sheridan Drive, Tonawanda, NY 14150, at no additional cost to the County, be approved, and be it further

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

Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.

Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.

Resolution No. IF-090-25

From: Infrastructure & Facilities and Administration Committees.

Dated: May 6, 2025

**GOLF COURSE SITE IMPROVEMENTS LOCKER ROOM MODIFICATION – PLUMBING
CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT CHANGE ORDER NO.1**

WHEREAS, Resolution No. IF-191-24, dated November 12, 2024, authorized the contract for Golf Course Site Improvements – Locker Room Modification – Plumbing Construction Contract to MKS Plumbing Corp., 19 Ransier Drive, West Seneca, NY 14224, for a contract amount of \$162,000, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to extend the contract completion date to December 31, 2025 at no additional cost to the 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 Change Order No. 1 to extend the contract completion date to December 31, 2025 for the Golf Course Site Improvements – Locker Room Modification – Plumbing Construction Project, to MKS Plumbing Corp., 19 Ransier Drive, West Seneca, NY 14224, at no additional cost to the County, be approved, and be it further

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

Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.

Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.

Resolution No. IF-091-25

From: Infrastructure & Facilities and Administration Committees.

Dated: May 6, 2025

**GOLF COURSE SITE IMPROVEMENTS LOCKER ROOM MODIFICATION – ELECTRICAL
CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT CHANGE ORDER NO.1**

WHEREAS, Resolution No. IF-190-24, dated November 12, 2024, authorized the contract for Golf Course Site Improvements – Locker Room Modification – Electrical Construction Project to CIR Electric, 2517 Long Road, Grand Island, NY 14072, for a contract amount of \$124,200, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to extend the contract completion date to December 31, 2025 at no additional cost to the 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 Change Order No. 1 to extend the contract completion date to December 31, 2025 for the Golf Course Site Improvements – Locker Room Modification – Electrical Construction Project, to CIR Electric, 2517 Long Road, Grand Island, NY 14072, at no additional cost to the County, be approved, and be it further

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

Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.

Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.

Resolution No. IF-092-25

From: Infrastructure & Facilities and Administration Committees.

Dated: May 6, 2025

AMENDMENT NO. 1 – PORTER CENTER ROAD REHABILITATION – GEOTECHNICAL WORK

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 169-24, dated October 15, 2024, awarded the contract for geotechnical work to be done at the Porter Center Road Rehabilitation Project to CME Associates, Inc., 6035 Corporate Drive, East Syracuse, NY 13057, in the amount of \$43,732.50, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to extend the contract date to December 31, 2025, at no additional cost to the 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 Amendment No. 1 to extend the contract date to December 31, 2025 for CME Associates, Inc., 6035 Corporate Drive, East Syracuse, NY 13057, for the Porter Center Road Rehabilitation Project-Geotechnical Work be approved, and be it further

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

Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.

Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.

Resolution No. IF-093-25

From: Infrastructure & Facilities and Administration Committees.

Dated: May 6, 2025

**BURMASTER PARK NATURAL PLAYGROUND
CONSULTANT AMENDMENT NO. 4**

WHEREAS, Resolution No. IF-151-23, dated October 17, 2023, awarded the contract for conceptual plan consultant services for the Burmaster Park Natural Playground Project to Fisher Associates, 325 Delaware Avenue, Suite 200, Buffalo, NY 14202, for a contract amount not to exceed \$26,000, and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. IF-072-24, dated March 19, 2024, increased the contract in an amount not to exceed \$55,000 for design services, for a revised contract amount of \$81,000, and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. IF-103-24, dated May 14, 2024, extended the contract completion date to December 31, 2026, at no additional cost to the County, and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. IF-172-24, dated October 15, 2024, increased the contract amount by \$20,000 for additional design and inspection services, for a revised contract amount of \$101,000, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to increase the contract in the amount of \$9,000 for completion of a grant application for Phase II of this project, for a revised contract amount of \$110,000, 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 to allow the project to proceed:

DECREASE REVENUE:

H672.15.7110.000 45031.00	Interfund Transfers from Operating	\$11,339.23
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DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

H672.15.7110.000 72400.00	Land Improvements Expense	\$11,339.23
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INCREASE REVENUE:

H783.15.7110.000 45031.00	Interfund Transfers from Operating	\$11,339.23
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INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

H783.15.7110.000 72400.00	Land Improvements Expense	\$11,339.23
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and be it further

RESOLVED, that Amendment No. 4 to increase the contract in the amount of \$9,000 for completion of a grant application for Phase II of this project, for the revised contract amount of \$110,000, to Fisher Associates, 325 Delaware Avenue, Suite 200, Buffalo, NY 14202, be approved, and be it further

RESOLVED, that, following the County Attorney's review, the Amendment may be executed pursuant to the Niagara County Contract Policy, and be it further

RESOLVED, that Project H672, Parks Facilities Improvements, be closed.

Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.

Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.

Resolution No. IF-094-25

From: Infrastructure & Facilities and Administration Committees.

Dated: May 6, 2025

BALMER ROAD CULVERT NO. 109-14 - BUDGET MODIFICATION

WHEREAS, Resolution No. IF-146-23, dated October 17, 2023, awarded the consultant services contract for the Balmer Road Culvert No. 109-14 Project to CHA Consulting, Inc., 2200 Main Place Tower, Buffalo, NY 14202, in the amount of \$245,000, and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. IF-174-23, dated November 14, 2023, approved Balmer Road Culvert No. 109-14 as a Bridge NY Culvert Local Project Agreement, and

WHEREAS, both resolutions contained budget modifications to increase revenue and expenses for the same project, 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 to remove revenue added twice for this project:

DECREASE REVENUE:

H773.15.5197.000 43591.00	State Aid Cap Const Hwy Revenue	\$784,000
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DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

H773.15.5197.000 72600.02	Bridges-Balmer Road Culvert No. 109-14	\$784,000
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Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.

Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.

Resolution No. IL-050-25

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

Dated: May 6, 2025

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE KENAN CENTER
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 concerned about the development of our youth through sports related activities, and

WHEREAS, the Kenan Center will also provide specialized coaching and training for area youth during summer months of July and August, and

WHEREAS, the planned event will provide coaching for boys and girls ages 5-12, but the purchase of sports equipment is needed, 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 Program Fund as follows:

Kenan Center

\$2,500.00

Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.

Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.

Resolution No. IL-051-25

From: Legislators Richard E. Abbott, Shawn A. Foti, Anthony J. Nemi, Irene M. Myers, Rebecca J. Wydysh, Carla L. Speranza, David E. Godfrey, Michael A. Hill and Economic Development Committee.

Dated: May 6, 2025

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE NIAGARA CELTIC HERITAGE SOCIETY THROUGH THE
USE OF 2025 COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUNDING**

WHEREAS, the Niagara Celtic Heritage Society Inc. is an official not-for-profit society, established in 2001 to help restore, preserve, and promote Celtic culture in Niagara County, and

WHEREAS, the Niagara Celtic Festival is one of the best upscale heritage destinations in upstate NY, hosting some of the best artists, performers, artisans and vendors from around the world, and

WHEREAS, the festival includes many incredible activities such as; 5 music stages with over 40 performers, 2 event fields, 5 regions to explore, over 60 vendors, highland games, pipe bands, history groups, story tellers, animals, and events for children, and

WHEREAS, events such as this help to promote cultural heritage and tourism in 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 the Niagara Celtic Heritage Society by appropriating monies from said Community Partnership Program Fund as follows:

Niagara Celtic Heritage Society

\$5,000.00

Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.

Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.

Resolution No. IL-052-25

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

Dated: May 6, 2025

**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 library is currently in the process of trying to replace their learning stations in the children's room, 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
Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.	
Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.	

Resolution No. IL-053-25

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

Dated: May 6, 2025

**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 in need of funds to help support the children's 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
Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.	
Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.	

Resolution No. IL-054-25

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

Dated: May 6, 2025

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF BOY SCOUT TROOP 8
THROUGH THE USE OF COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUNDING**

WHEREAS, Boy Scout Troop 8 is a not-for-profit organization that prepares young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law, and

WHEREAS, Boy Scout Troop 8 serves the children of the Town of Cambria and surrounding areas, and

WHEREAS, Boy Scout Troop 8 participates in many council-wide events for troops across Western NY among many to benefit our town and beyond, and

WHEREAS, Boy Scout Troop 8 is requesting funds to replace the troops pull wagons and neckerchiefs, 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 Boy Scout Troop 8 by appropriating monies from said Community Partnership Program Fund as follows:

Boy Scout Troop 8	\$1,400.00
Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.	
Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.	

Resolution No. IL-055-25

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

Dated: May 6, 2025

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE TOWN OF WHEATFIELD GARDEN CLUB
THROUGH THE USE OF COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUNDING**

WHEREAS, the Town of Wheatfield Garden Club was started in 1982 by an ambitious group of women with a love of gardening and desire to beautify Wheatfield, and

WHEREAS, the Garden Club was organized to present speakers at their monthly meetings, organize field trips and tours to broaden the horizons of its members, encourage all forms of conservation and inspire home and community beautification, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Wheatfield is seeking assistance to purchase a garden shed for the Garden Club, 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 Town of Wheatfield Garden Club by appropriating monies from said Community Partnership Program Fund as follows:

Town of Wheatfield	\$4,500.00
Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.	
Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.	

Resolution No. IL-056-25

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

Dated: May 6, 2025

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE TOWN OF CAMBRIA CAR SHOW
THROUGH THE USE OF COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUNDING**

WHEREAS, the Town of Cambria will be hosting its second annual community car show, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Cambria is excited to offer this event to the community, which will include a variety of vendors and food trucks, along with entertainment, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Cambria is seeking assistance to ensure a enjoyable, and memorable experience for all those in attendance, 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 Town of Cambria by appropriating monies from said Community Partnership Program Fund as follows:

Town of Cambria

\$1,000.00

Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.

Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.

Resolution No. IL-057-25

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

Dated: May 6, 2025

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE TOWN OF WILSON SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAM
THROUGH THE USE OF COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUNDING**

WHEREAS, the Town and Village of Wilson is looking for ways to engage youth in supportive, pro social activities, and

WHEREAS, this year they would like to expand the “Summer Rec” program by increasing the number of children served from 60-75 youth in the Town, Village and a portion of Ransomville, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Wilson is requesting funding to help with staffing, activities, supplies and refreshments, 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 Town of Wilson Summer Recreation Program by appropriating monies from said Community Partnership Fund as follows:

Town of Wilson Summer Recreation Program

\$5,000.00

Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.

Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.

Resolution No. IL-058-25

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

Dated: May 6, 2025

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

WHEREAS, the Wilson Historical Society was established in 1972 with a mission of preserving for future generations the historical record and items unique to the community, and

WHEREAS, the Wilson Historical Society is planning much needed upgrades of its electrical system, specifically the historical Fittro Building, and

WHEREAS, these upgrades are long overdue, and will ensure that the electrical system is up to code, 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 Historical Society by appropriating monies from said Community Partnership Fund as follows:

Wilson Historical Society

\$2,500.00

Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.

Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.

Resolution No. IL-059-25

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

Dated: May 6, 2025

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY ASSOCIATION OF NORTH
TONAWANDA N.Y. INC. THROUGH THE USE OF COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUNDING**

WHEREAS, for over a century, the dedicated men and woman of the North Tonawanda and Tonawanda volunteer fire companies have courageously served our communities, providing vital fire protection and emergency response services, and

WHEREAS, recognizing the close-knit nature of our twin cities, these departments frequently collaborate to ensure the safety of all residents, and

WHEREAS, the Tonawanda/North Tonawanda 1st Responder Appreciation Day, formerly known as the Firefighters Inspection Day Parade, boasts a rich history as one of the oldest parades in New York State, spanning over 140 years, and

WHEREAS, the Volunteer Fire Company Association, of North Tonawanda N.Y. Inc. is seeking support to help offset the costs of a family picnic for the entire 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 efforts of the Volunteer Fire Company Association, of North Tonawanda N.Y. Inc. by appropriating monies from said Community Partnership Fund as follows:

Volunteer Fire Company Association, of North Tonawanda NY Inc.

\$1,500.00

Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.

Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.

Resolution No. IL-060-25

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

Dated: May 6, 2025

**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
Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.	
Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.	

Resolution No. IL-061-25

From: Legislator Rebecca J. Wydysh and Economic Development Committee.

Dated: May 6, 2025

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE LEWISTON ART FESTIVAL
THROUGH THE USE OF COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUNDING**

WHEREAS, the Lewiston Council on the Arts is dedicated to improving the quality of life for all by nurturing a thriving environment for the arts and for cultural activities, promoting opportunities for artists, encouraging public participation in the arts, and actively advocating for the arts, and

WHEREAS, the Lewiston Art Festival, which is sponsored by the Lewiston Council on the Arts, has become a highlight of the summer season in Niagara County, and

WHEREAS, the Lewiston Council on the Arts has scheduled the 2025 Lewiston Art Festival for August 9th & 10th, 2025, and

WHEREAS, the Lewiston Art Festival will feature over 175 artists and vendors from across the country and draw thousands of visitors from all over Western New York, Southern Ontario and beyond, and

WHEREAS, an event of this magnitude can only be successful through full community participation and sponsorships, and

WHEREAS, the Lewiston Art Festival is an economic driver that supports jobs, generates government revenue and is a cornerstone of local tourism, 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 Art Festival committee by appropriating monies from said Community Partnership Fund as follows:

Lewiston Council on the Arts	\$2,500.00
Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.	
Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.	

Resolution No. IL-062-25

From: Legislator Rebecca J. Wydysh and Economic Development Committee.

Dated: May 6, 2025

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF LEWISTON'S MEMORIAL DAY REMEMBRANCE COMMITTEE, INC., THROUGH THE USE OF COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUNDING

WHEREAS, Lewiston's Memorial Day Remembrance Committee, Inc. was formed to recognize the sacrifice of the men and women who died in the service of our nation, and

WHEREAS, the Committee is planning their annual Memorial Day Parade to be held on May 26, 2025, and

WHEREAS, the annual community parade is followed by a ceremony to honor those who have given their lives in defense of our Country and a free community lunch for over 500 residents each year, and

WHEREAS, the Niagara County Legislature wishes to support the efforts of the Committee to impress upon the residents, both young and old, the cost of defending our freedoms, 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 Lewiston's Memorial Day Remembrance Committee, Inc. by appropriating monies from said Community Partnership Program Fund as follows:

Lewiston's Memorial Day Remembrance Committee, Inc.	\$1,000.00
Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.	
Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.	

Resolution No. IL-063-25

From: Legislator Irene M. Myers and Economic Development Committee.

Dated: May 6, 2025

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE RANSOMVILLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY AND THE TOWN OF PORTER HISTORICAL SOCIETY 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, there are various organizations and groups throughout the Town of Porter that 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 Ransomville Historical Society, located behind the Ransomville Free Library is planning a restoration project of the foundation of the Old Fruit Stand, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Porter Historical Society is updating their electronic equipment to better serve 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 organizations listed below as follows:

Ransomville Historical Society	\$4,000.00
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Town of Porter Historical Society	\$450.00
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Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.

Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.

Resolution No. IL-064-25

From: Legislator Shawn A. Foti and Economic Development Committee.

Dated: May 6, 2025

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF OLCOTT BEACH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
THROUGH THE USE OF 2025 COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUNDING**

WHEREAS, the Olcott Beach Community Association (OBCA) is a volunteer group with the mission to improve the Olcott Beach community and businesses through beautification and event promotion, and

WHEREAS, the OBCA plants and maintains flowers along Main St and the Olcott Gazebo, maintains the replica lighthouse, hosts and sponsors events such as Saturday Cruise Night, Super Sunday Car Cruise in May, Annual Duck Race, July 3rd Fireworks, Olcott Beach Jazz Trail, and events at Ye Olde Log Cabin, and

WHEREAS, their mission and efforts attract many local and out-of-town tourists which helps to promote our region and support local small businesses, and

WHEREAS, supporting OBCA will allow the group to increase their efforts and continue to provide attractions and entertainment throughout the Olcott Beach 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 Olcott Beach Community Association by appropriating monies from said Community Partnership Fund as follows:

Olcott Beach Community Association	\$2,500.00
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Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.

Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.

Resolution No. IL-065-25

From: Legislator Christopher J. McKimmie and Economic Development Committee.

Dated: May 6, 2025

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF CAYUGA YOUTH ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION INC.
THROUGH THE USE OF COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUNDING**

WHEREAS, the Cayuga Youth Athletic Association has grown into one of the largest all-volunteer youth sports organizations in Niagara County, and

WHEREAS, the Cayuga Youth Athletic Association has served hundreds of boys and girls ages 4 to 19, from the City of Niagara Falls, and the Towns of Niagara and Lewiston, and

WHEREAS, the Cayuga Youth Athletic Association provides children top notch playing fields with safety being a priority in their player development, and

WHEREAS, the Cayuga Youth Athletic Association intends to continue making capital improvements to their athletic facilities in the City of Niagara Falls, 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 Cayuga Youth Athletic Association Inc. by appropriating monies from said Community Partnership Fund as follows:

Cayuga Youth Athletic Association Inc.

\$2,700.00

Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.

Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.

Resolution No. IL-066-25

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

Dated: May 6, 2025

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF HARTLAND BIBLE CHURCH
THROUGH THE USE OF COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUNDING**

WHEREAS, Hartland Bible Church is located in Gasport, a hamlet in the Town of Royalton, and

WHEREAS, Hartland Bible Church is over 200 years old and has been a spiritual staple in the community since its inception, and

WHEREAS, the leadership of Hartland Bible Church is planning to purchase two Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs), to have on hand in the event of a medical emergency that requires the use of life-saving assistance, 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 Hartland Bible Church by appropriating monies from said Community Partnership Program Fund as follows:

Hartland Bible Church

\$4,180.00

Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.
Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.

Resolution No. IL-067-25

From: Legislators Christopher Voccio, Christopher A. Robins and Economic Development Committee.
Dated: May 6, 2025

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF OAKWOOD CEMETERY
THROUGH THE USE OF COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUNDING**

WHEREAS, Oakwood Cemetery is a historic institution in Niagara Falls, and

WHEREAS, Oakwood Cemetery is in the beginning stages of a massive refurbishment of its grounds, and

WHEREAS, Oakwood Cemetery will use County funding to help in this endeavor, 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 Oakwood Cemetery by appropriating monies from said Community Partnership Fund as follows:

Oakwood Cemetery	\$3,000.00
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Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.

Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.

Resolution No. IL-068-25

From: Legislators Christopher A. Robins, Christopher A. McKimmie and Economic Development Committee.
Dated: May 6, 2025

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF MUSIC MANIA MONDAYS
THROUGH THE USE OF COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUNDING**

WHEREAS, Music Mania Mondays is a not-for-profit organization that has a summer concert series, and

WHEREAS, the concert series is well attended by people from across our county, and

WHEREAS, the concert series highlights many local bands, and

WHEREAS, a wide variety of food vendors are also present, and

WHEREAS, these concerts enhance the lives of community residents, while also helping to encourage and promote tourism, 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 Music Mania Mondays by appropriating monies from said Community Partnership Program Fund as follows:

Music Mania Mondays	\$5,000.00
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Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.

Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.

Resolution No. IL-069-25

From: Legislators Christopher A. Robins, Christopher J. McKimmie, Jeffery Elder, Christopher Voccio and Economic Development Committee.

Dated: May 6, 2025

**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, now, therefore, be it

WHEREAS, Legislator Robins requests that \$1,000.00 of this allocation be used to assist with the Niagara Falls High School Baseball teams 2025 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 Hill, seconded by Robins.

Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.

Resolution No. IL-070-25

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

Dated: May 6, 2025

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE GARDEN AND 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 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 is hosting the National Night Out 2025 which is held worldwide on the first Tuesday in August, and

WHEREAS, the National Night Out helps to bring police and neighbors together under positive circumstances, and

WHEREAS, The National Night Out is also a wonderful opportunity for County Legislators, Assemblyman, Law Enforcement, Fire Fighters, Emergency Personnel, Government and Civic Agencies to engage with residents to build relationships to help have a safer, more caring place to live, work and visit, 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 for the National Night Out by appropriating monies from said Community Partnership Fund as follows:

The Garden and Highland Community Block Club Inc.	\$1,250.00
Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.	
Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.	

Resolution No. IL-071-25

From: Legislator Jeffery Elder and Economic Development Committee.

Dated: May 6, 2025

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE NIAGARA ACADEMIC LITERACY INTERVENTION SERVICES INC. THROUGH THE USE OF COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUNDING

WHEREAS, the Niagara Academic Literacy Intervention Services Inc., is a non-profit organization that serves students of the Niagara Falls City Schools District with reading and writing interventions, and

WHEREAS, the Niagara Academic Literacy Intervention Services Inc., focus is on students who are labeled as learning disabled, and

WHEREAS, the Niagara Academic Literacy Intervention Services Inc., believes that all children can learn, but some need individual instruction to succeed and become productive contributing citizens, 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 the Niagara Academic Literacy Intervention Services Inc., by appropriating monies from said Community Partnership Fund as follows:

Niagara Academic Literacy Intervention Services Inc.,	\$1,000.00
Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.	
Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.	

Resolution No. IL-072-25

From: Legislator Jeffery Elder and Economic Development Committee.

Dated: May 6, 2025

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF NIAGARA UNITED VISION, INC.
THROUGH THE USE OF COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUNDING**

WHEREAS, Niagara United Vision Inc., is a 501 (c) (3), non-profit organization that partners with people in our community, universities, local and government agencies, to help build or improve the quality of life for our citizens, and

WHEREAS, Niagara United Vision, Inc. helps build businesses alongside volunteers and pay an affordable mortgage, and

WHEREAS, Niagara United Vision Inc. strives to achieve the strength, stability and independence individuals and businesses need to build a better life for themselves and their community, and

WHEREAS, Niagara United Vision Inc. works to decrease crime and poverty that inhibits the growth of community ownership, and the Niagara County Legislature wishes to support their efforts, 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 Niagara United Vision, Inc. by appropriating monies from said Community Partnership Fund as follows:

Niagara United Vision, Inc.	\$2,000.00
Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.	
Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.	

Resolution No. IL-073-25

From: Legislator Jeffrey Elder and Economic Development Committee.

Dated: May 6, 2025

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF 2ND CHANCE SERVICES INC.
THROUGH THE USE OF COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FUNDING**

WHEREAS, 2nd Chance Services Inc., is a 501 (c) (3), non-profit organization that is committed to eradicating life inequalities and enhancing the quality of life for individuals, families, and children in our community, and

WHEREAS, 2nd Chance Services Inc., is hosting its 2nd Annual Community Easter Egg Hunt, which has become a cherished celebration in our community, bringing together children and families for a day of joy, connection and togetherness, and

WHEREAS, 2nd Chance Services Inc. aim is to make this Easter Egg Hunt even more impactful this year by expanding their efforts to include meaningful prizes, opportunities, and resources, 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 2nd Chance Services Inc., by appropriating monies from said Community Partnership Fund as follows:

2 nd Chance Services Inc.	\$1,000.00
Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.	
Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.	

Resolution No. IL-074-25

From: Legislator Jeffrey Elder and Economic Development Committee.

Dated: May 6, 2025

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

WHEREAS, the Niagara Community Information Group is a 501 (c) (3), non-profit organization dedicated to delivering information to the community in the areas of civic engagement, educational excellence, health and wellness and financial literacy, and

WHEREAS, the Niagara Community Information Group's mission is to engage and equip the voiceless in the empowerment of their own advocacy, creating a community that won't just TALK about it but will BE about it, 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 the Niagara Community Information Group by appropriating monies from said Community Partnership Fund as follows:

Niagara Community Information Group

\$1,000.00

Moved by Hill, seconded by Robins.

Adopted. 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent – Abbott, Bradt.

Moved by Voccio, second by Myers to enter into Executive Session at 7:03 p.m. for discussion of a Pending Litigation and Union Contract Negotiations.

Moved by McKimmie, second by Hill to adjourn Executive Session at 7:26 p.m.

Resolution No. CW-008-25 was read at this time. (Appears in numerical order)

Resolution No. CW-009-25 was read at this time. (Appears in numerical order)

Motion by McKimmie, second by Gooch, to adjourn the board.

The Chairman declared the Board adjourned at 7:31 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