

**RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE
REGULAR MEETING**

Tuesday April 11, 2023

Legislature called to order by Chairwoman Hoffman at:

Roll Call: Present:

Absent:

Invocation: Mr. Grant

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag: Mr. Grimm

On motion of Mr. Herrington, duly seconded, the reading of the minutes of Special Meeting of March 16, 2023 was dispensed with and approved as printed.

MEETING AGENDA

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS: (on file in Clerk's Office)

PRESENTATION OF COMMUNICATIONS: (on file in Clerk's Office)

REPORTS OF COMMISSIONS: (on file in Clerk's Office)

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS: (on file in Clerk's Office)

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES: (on file in Clerk's Office)

LOCAL LAWS:

INDEX OF RESOLUTIONS: Attached

LEGISLATOR'S PRIVILEGE:

ADJOURNMENT:

"Say NO to Drugs"

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE
REGULAR MEETING

TUESDAY, APRIL 11, 2023

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RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Grant, Loveridge, Weaver

Sent To: Social Services

Committee

Date April 11, 2023

Resolution No. G/124/23

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AMENDED CONTRACT AGREEMENTS AND AMENDING THE 2023 RENSSELAER COUNTY ADOPTED BUDGET – MENTAL HEALTH

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Mental Health ("Department") acts as a conduit for monies from the New York State Office of Mental Health ("OMH") and Unity House of Troy, Inc. and Joseph House and Shelter, Inc. operating in the County; and

WHEREAS, The Department requests legislative authorization to amend agreements to reflect approved 2023 funding levels from the respective state funding agency with the following providers for the period January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023, for the purpose of contracted services; and

WHEREAS, The source of funding is budgeted in the 2023 appropriation ledger, and the name of the contracting party is as follows:

<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION CODE</u>	<u>CONTRACT PURPOSE</u>	<u>CURRENT CONTRACT AMOUNT</u>	<u>REVISED CONTRACT AMOUNT</u>
Unity House of Troy Inc. 2431 Sixth Ave Troy, NY 12180 (1-1-23 to 12-31-23)	A.4322.04846	Supported Housing	\$1,084,696	\$1,137,496
Joseph House and Shelter 202 4 th Street Troy, NY 12180 (1-1-23 to 12-31-23)	A.4322.04845	Supported Housing	\$ 414,378	\$ 435,378

; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Executive, or his designee, is authorized to sign the above-referenced amended agreements, subject to the approval as to form by the Rensselaer County Attorney; and, be it, further

RESOLVED, That any positions, programs, expenditures and/or agreements or contracts authorized or established pursuant to this resolution shall terminate and cease upon discontinuance of said funding; and, be it, further

RESOLVED, That the 2023 Rensselaer County Adopted Budget be amended as follows:

REVENUES

<u>CODE/DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
A.4322.34904 Unity Supported Housing	\$1,084,696	\$52,800	\$1,137,496
A.4322.34905 Joseph House Sup Housing	\$ 414,378	<u>\$21,000</u>	\$ 435,378
Total Revenue:		\$73,800	

APPROPRIATIONS

<u>CODE/DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
A.4322.04846 Unity Supported Housing	\$1,084,696	\$52,800	\$1,137,496
A.4322.04845 Joseph House Sup Housing	\$ 414,378	<u>\$21,000</u>	\$ 435,378
Total Appropriations:		\$73,800	

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

April 11, 2023

Clerk of the Legislature

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Clerk of the Legislature



Executive Action

Approved _____ Date _____

Disapproved _____
Veto Message Attached and Returned to Clerk

County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Bayly, Hoffman, Grimm

Sent To: Budget & Finance

Committee

Date April 11, 2023

Resolution No. G/125/23

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE RENSSELAER COUNTY CHIEF FISCAL OFFICER TO CORRECT A SINGLE PARCEL FOR THE 2023 TAX ROLLS IN THE TOWN OF HOOSICK - REAL PROPERTY AND TAX SERVICES

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Article 5, Section 554 of the New York State Real Property Tax Law sub section 550(2I), the tax levying body at a regular or special meeting, upon the presentation of an application filed pursuant to this section, shall examine the application and approve said application where it is determined that an error does exist; and

WHEREAS, Based upon the recommendation of the Director of the Bureau of Tax Services, the following parcels has been found to contain an error that is correctable and or refundable pursuant to the aforementioned section of the New York State Real Property Tax Law; specifically a Clerical Error Section 550(2i). The Village of Hoosick Falls made an entry on the tax roll, which is incorrect by reason of a mistake in transcription of a relevied village tax; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Chief Fiscal Officer is hereby authorized and directed to correct the 2022 Hoosick Assessment Roll by making the following correction to the 2023 Town and County tax bill and chargeback the appropriate amounts to the appropriate taxing jurisdictions:

<u>VILLAGE OF HOOSICK ASSESSED TO</u>	<u>TAX MAP NUMBER</u>	<u>TAXES CURRENTLY DUE</u>	<u>CORRECTED TAX</u>
KGD Holdings, LLC	27.19-7-20	\$17,885.95	\$11,885.95 (1/1/2023)

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

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County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Grant, Loveridge, Weaver

Sent To: Social Services

Committee

Date April 11, 2023

Resolution No. G/126/23

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO AMEND A CONTRACT AGREEMENT AND AMENDING THE 2023 RENSSELAER COUNTY ADOPTED BUDGET – MENTAL HEALTH

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Mental Health ("Department") acts as a conduit for monies from the New York State Office People with Developmental Disabilities ("OPWDD") and Unity House of Troy, Inc. operating in the County; and

WHEREAS, The Department requests legislative authorization to amend an agreement to reflect the approved 2023 funding levels from the respective state funding agency with the following provider for the period January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023, for the purpose of contracted services; and

WHEREAS, The source of funding is budgeted in the 2023 appropriation ledger in, and the name of the contracting party is as follows:

<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION CODE</u>	<u>CONTRACT PURPOSE</u>	<u>CURRENT CONTRACT AMOUNT</u>	<u>REVISED CONTRACT AMOUNT</u>
Unity House of Troy Inc. 2431 Sixth Ave Troy, NY 12180 (1-1-23 to 12-31-23)	A.4322.04828	OPWDD ED	\$35,436	\$38,640

; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Executive, or his designee, is authorized to sign the above-referenced agreement, subject to the approval as to form by the Rensselaer County Attorney; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That any positions, programs, expenditures and/or agreements or contracts authorized or established pursuant to this resolution shall terminate and cease upon discontinuance of said funding; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the 2023 Rensselaer County Adopted Budget be amended as follows:

REVENUES

<u>CODE/DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
A.4322.34914 Unity Supported Housing	\$35,436	\$3,204	\$38,640
Total Revenue:		\$3,204	

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APPROPRIATIONS

<u>CODE/DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
A.4322.04828 Unity Special Needs	\$35,436	<u>\$3,204</u>	\$38,640
Total Appropriations:		\$3,204	

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

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County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Grant, Loveridge, Weaver

Sent To: Social Services

Committee

Date April 11, 2023

Resolution No. G/127/23

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RENSSELAER COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO RESERVE THE INTEREST INCOME OF THE EH FUND TO THE NURSING HOME EQUIPMENT CAPITAL RESERVE FUND FOR YEAR 2022 - VAN RENSSELAER MANOR

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, An element of Rensselaer County's dedication to providing the highest level of care possible for the elderly population residing in the Van Rensselaer Manor is to routinely acquire and replace equipment for nursing home daily operations; and

WHEREAS, Van Rensselaer Manor was authorized to reserve monies from the interest income earned from interest-bearing deposits belonging to the EH Fund by Resolutions G/92/20 and G/67/21; and

WHEREAS, Van Rensselaer Manor Executive Director requests to reserve the interest earned in 2022 to the Nursing Home Equipment Capital Reserve Fund; and

WHEREAS, Earned interest consists of \$153,630.69 general interest income earned from an interest-bearing account; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Executive, is authorized to reserve the above-referenced funder to the Nursing Home Equipment Capital Reserve Fund at end of year 2022 and the fund balance shall be and hereby amended as follows:

HOSPITAL FUND OTHER SOURCES

<u>CODE/DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
EH.2291.00 Capital Reserve	\$279,972.39	\$153,630.69	\$433,603.08

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

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County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Loveridge, Grant, Weaver, Herrington, Casale, Nichols

Sent To: Veterans & Youth

Committee

Date April 11, 2023

Resolution No. G/128/23

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AGREEMENTS FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS - UNIFIED FAMILY SERVICES - YOUTH SERVICES

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, The Rensselaer County Department for Youth has been awarded \$116,827 from the New York State Office of Children and Family Services for a nine (9) month period from January 1, 2023 through September 30, 2023; and

WHEREAS, The Rensselaer County Department for Youth was duly established and exists by virtue of Article 16 of the Rensselaer County Charter and has among its duties, youth development and delinquency prevention projects; and

WHEREAS, The 2023 Rensselaer County Adopted Budget Appropriation Code A.7310.04800 provides funds for the recreation and education of the children of Rensselaer County; and

WHEREAS, The people and organizations that seek to avail themselves of these funds must be approved by the Department for Youth; and

WHEREAS, The funds to be expended by Rensselaer County for the recreation and education of the children of Rensselaer County are 100% reimbursable through the New York State Office of Children & Family Services ("OCFS"); and

WHEREAS, The following entities have been approved by the Rensselaer County Youth Advisory Board and their associated contract costs are provided as follows:

<u>AGENCY</u>	<u>PROGRAM</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Arts Center of the Capital Region 6/26/23 - 8/31/23	Arts Access	\$3,000.00
Boys & Girls Club of Southern Rensselaer County 1/1/23 - 9/30/23	Saving at-Risk Youth	\$5,000.00
Boys & Girls Club of the Capital Area 1/1/23 - 9/30/23	Target Outreach	\$8,750.00

AGENCY	PROGRAM	AMOUNT
Catholic Charities 6/26/23 - 8/31/23	Camp Scully	\$3,250.00
Catholic Charities 1/1/23 - 9/30/23	CoNSERNS-U	\$2,000.00
Catholic Charities 1/1/23 - 9/30/23	Sunnyside Center	\$5,750.00
CEO Troy L.O.O.K 1/1/23 - 9/30/23	Troy Look Youth Program	\$2,250.00
Cornell Cooperative Extension 1/1/23 - 9/30/23	4H Youth Environmental Education	\$8,250.00
Eastside Neighborhood Recreation Center 1/1/23 - 9/30/23	Hope 7 Youth Program	\$5,375.00
Lansingburgh Boys & Girls Club 1/1/23 - 9/30/23	Youth at-Risk Tutoring	\$6,125.00
New HOPE Greater Community Development 1/1/23 - 9/30/23	Helping Other People Excel	\$1,500.00
Troy Area United Ministries 7/3/23 - 8/31/23	Computers for Kids	\$3,000.00
Town of East Greenbush 7/3/23 - 8/31/23	Summer Youth Program	\$4,000.00
Town of Grafton 7/3/23 - 8/31/23	Summer Youth Program	\$2,900.00
Town of Nassau 7/3/23 - 8/31/23	Youth Program	\$4,000.00
Town of North Greenbush 7/3/23 - 8/31/23	Summer Youth Program	\$2,900.00

Town of Poestenkill 7/3/23 - 8/18/23	Summer Youth Program	\$3,500.00
Town of Sand Lake 7/3/23 - 8/18/23	Summer Youth Program	\$2,900.00
Town of Schodack 7/3/23 - 8/31/23	Summer Youth Program	\$4,500.00
Town of Stephentown 7/3/23 - 8/31/23	Summer Youth Program	\$2,900.00
Village of Valley Falls 7/3/23 - 8/11/23	Summer Youth Program	\$2,900.00

TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS: \$84,750.00

; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That any positions, programs, expenditures and/or agreements or contracts authorized or established pursuant to this resolution shall terminate and cease upon discontinuance of said funding; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Executive, or his designee, is authorized to sign the above -referenced contracts, subject to the approval as to form by the Rensselaer County Attorney; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Executive is hereby authorized to approve the Resource Allocation certification as presented by the New York State Office of Children and Family Services, subject to the approval as to form by the Rensselaer County Attorney.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

April 11, 2023

Clerk of the Legislature

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Clerk of the Legislature



Executive Action

Approved _____ Date _____

Disapproved _____
Veto Message Attached and Returned to Clerk

County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Grant, Maloney, Weaver

Sent To: Judiciary & Public Safety

Committee

Date April 11, 2023

Resolution No. G/129/23

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF ADVANCED FIRE TRAINING EQUIPMENT - BUREAU OF PUBLIC SAFETY

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, North Greenbush Fire District #1 has been awarded a FEMA Regional Assistance to Firefighters Grant in the amount of \$ 128,500.00 to procure training aids and support equipment for the County's New Emergency Services Training Center; and

WHEREAS, The North Greenbush Fire District has procured a mobile advanced vehicle fire training prop; and

WHEREAS, The AFG Grant did not authorize the purchase of a Mobile Trailer Prop Package to transport the prop to various locations; and

WHEREAS, The Bureau of Public safety seeks legislative approval to purchase the Mobile Training Trailer Prop Package; and

WHEREAS, The purchase is in accordance with the Rensselaer County purchasing and procedures and is funded with appropriation code H.3097.02500.H1176 and the name and address of the vendor is as follows:

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION CODE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Mobile Training Trailer Prop Package	Lion 20 Corporate Circle Albany, NY 12203	H.3097.02500 H1176	\$49,357.15

; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Executive or his designee is authorized to sign for the above-referenced purchase.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

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RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Bayly, Hoffman, Grimm

Sent To: Budget & Finance

Committee

Date April 11, 2023

Resolution No. G/130/23

RESOLUTON AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF SERVICES FOR ARCHIVAL AUTOMATION OF DEED RECORDS - COUNTY CLERK

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, The Rensselaer County Clerk's office is desirous of imaging and indexing historical deed records from September 1982 - September 1986 (an estimated 50,100 images) for office and online search and retrieval; and

WHEREAS, Info Quick Systems (IQS) of 7460 Morgan Rd. Liverpool NY 13090, the County Clerk's current system vendor, has quoted a fee of \$0.20/image or a total fee of \$10,210.00 for implementation and completion of this project to the IQS Infodex system; and

WHEREAS, Info Quick Solutions' Infodex system is a proprietary database and IQS is a sole provider for this project for this database and will not accept other vendor applications; and

WHEREAS, There is sufficient funding in appropriation code A.1410.04545 (Photostat and Microfilm Services) to cover the above-referenced cost; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Director of the Bureau of Central Services shall be and hereby is authorized to execute a purchase order with the above-referenced vendor for the above described services.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

April 11, 2023

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Clerk of the Legislature



Executive Action

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County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Loveridge, Grant, Weaver, Maloney

Sent To: Contracts & Agreements

Committee

Date April 11, 2023

Resolution No. G/131/23

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A FULL BODY SECURITY SCANNING SYSTEM - OFFICE OF THE RENSSELAER COUNTY SHERIFF

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, The Rensselaer County Office of the Sheriff is requesting authorization to purchase a SOTER RS Full Body Security Scanning System for the Rensselaer County Sheriff's Office; and

WHEREAS, Incarcerated individuals are resourceful and are able to smuggle in or manufacture sharp weapons out of many different objects creating a dangerous environment for the corrections officers; and

WHEREAS, The scanner will be used to scan each new inmate admission for concealed contraband to include, but not limited to, drugs and weapons; also, it can be used to scan in-custody inmates when there is reasonable suspicion they are concealing contraband in or on their body; and

WHEREAS, The scanner is being purchased to protect corrections officers of the Rensselaer County Jail and allow them to operate effectively and safely while conducting their duties; and

WHEREAS, The scanner will be purchased from OD Security, 416 Island Park Drive, Daniel Island, South Carolina 29492 through The Local Government Purchasing Cooperative, NYS BuyBoard contract 698-23, Public Safety and Firehouse Supplies and Equipment at a cost not to exceed \$130,000.00 utilizing Appropriation Code A.3150.02400 (Other Equipment); now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Executive, or his designee, is authorized to sign for the above-referenced purchase.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

April 11, 2023

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County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Loveridge, Grant, Weaver, Choquette, Fiacco, Fleming

Sent To: Contracts & Agreements

Committee

Date April 11, 2023

Resolution No. G/132/23

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACTS TO PROVIDE PERSONAL CARE SERVICES UNDER THE EXPANDED IN-HOME SERVICES FOR THE ELDERLY PROGRAM - UNIFIED FAMILY SERVICES - AGING

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, The County of Rensselaer Department of Unified Family Services - Aging ("Department") provides a vast array of services to the senior residents of Rensselaer County through the main office located in East Greenbush; and

WHEREAS, These services include Personal Care I and II, Non-Intuitionial Respite and Ancillary Services which part time case managers use to assess senior needs and match available services; and

WHEREAS, The Department had included contractual services funds in the 2023 Rensselaer County Adopted Budget sufficient to cover these contracts; and

WHEREAS, The contract description, vendor, source of funding of the same, the total amount to be expended over the life of the of the same, which shall not exceed budgeted appropriations are as follows:

<u>CONTRACT DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION CODE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Personal Care I and II, Non-Intuitionial Respite and Ancillary Services (04/01/23 - 03/31/24)	Accent Health Care Services P.O. Box 249 Troy, NY 12182	A.6777.04800	\$60,000.00
Personal Care I and II, Non-Intuitionial Respite and Ancillary Services (04/01/23 - 03/31/24)	Adept Health Care Services 406 Fulton Street Troy, NY 12180	A.6777.04800	\$27,000.00
Personal Care I and II, Non-Intuitionial Respite and Ancillary Services (04/01/23 - 03/31/24)	Accu-Care Home Care P.O. Box 148 Rensselaer, NY 12144	A.6777.04800	\$75,000.00

<u>CONTRACT</u> <u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION</u> <u>CODE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Personal Care I and II, Non-Intuitionl Respite and Ancillary Services (04/01/23- 03/31/24)	Daughtner for Hire 11 Herbert Drive Latham, NY 12144	A.6777.04800	\$190,000.00

; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Executive, or his designee is authorized to sign the above-referenced agreements subject to the approval as to form by the Rensselaer County Attorney.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

April 11, 2023

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Approved _____ Date _____

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County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Grant, Loveridge, Weaver

Sent To: Social Services

Committee

Date April 11, 2023

Resolution No. G/133/23

RESOLUTION TO RATIFY A SIGNED MASTER SERVICES AGREEMENT AND RATIFY A SIGNED AMENDED PURCHASE ORDER FORM FOR SOFTWARE - VAN RENSSELAER MANOR

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, The Van Rensselaer Manor is required to provide required annual training of all of its staff; and

WHEREAS, In order to safely comply with this, a computer program is utilized to administer and keep track of required annual staff training; and

WHEREAS, Resolution G/475/22 was passed granting approval to purchase these services; and

WHEREAS, The pricing was incorrect, whereby the Van Rensselaer Manor is requesting an amendment to the previous contract reflecting the below-referenced corrected pricing; and

WHEREAS, The Van Rensselaer Manor Deputy Administrator executed the original Master Services Agreement dated December 13, 2022 and subsequently executed the amended order form on February 27, 2023, which reflects the correct dollar amounts for the agreement dates January 1, 2023, continuing through calendar years 2023, 2024, 2025, and ending December 31, 2025; and

WHEREAS, The contract description, vendor, source of funding of the same, the total amount to be expended over the life of the of the same, which shall not exceed budgeted appropriations are as follows:

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION CODE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
HealthStream	HealthStream, Inc.	EH 08319.67	\$18,445 for 2023
Software	500 11 th Ave. North		\$14,445 for 2024
Learning Programs	Suite 1000		\$14,445 for 2025
	Nashville, TN 37203		

;now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Legislature hereby ratifies and confirms the above-referenced signatures to the original Master Services Agreement and Amended Order Form, both executed by the Deputy Administrator to the Van Rensselaer Manor.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

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County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Grant, Loveridge, Weaver

Sent To: Social Services

Committee

Date April 11, 2023

Resolution No. G/134/23

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TO AMEND THE SALARY OF PART-TIME MEDICAL DOCTORS - VAN RENSSELAER MANOR

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, The Van Rensselaer Manor is required to provide proper medical care to all of its residents; and

WHEREAS, In order to provide this level of subacute rehabilitation and long-term care to its residents, Van Rensselaer Manor is authorized and budgeted to staff with Assistant Physicians; and

WHEREAS, It has become increasingly difficult to attract and retain physicians and there are currently seven (7) vacant Assistant Physician positions at Van Rensselaer Manor; and

WHEREAS, Van Rensselaer Manor is requesting to increase the hourly rate for Medical Doctors from the current \$43.27 per hour to \$100 per hour; and

WHEREAS, This proposed increase would be funded by Personnel Savings from the Nursing Department (Aides):

<u>BUDGET CODE</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
EH.07410.08 Physicians	\$392,609	\$162,680	\$555,289
EH.06020.05 Certified Nurse Aide	\$5,858,567	\$(162,680)	\$5,695,887

; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the above-referenced increase in hourly rates is hereby approved effective immediately.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

April 11, 2023

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County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Loveridge, Grant, Weaver, Maloney

Sent To: Contracts & Agreements

Committee

Date April 11, 2023

Resolution No. G/135/23

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXTENSION OF THE TERM PERIOD OF A GRANT AGREEMENT
WITH THE NEW YORK STATE OFFICE OF INDIGENT LEGAL SERVICES - PUBLIC
DEFENDER, CONFLICT DEFENDER, PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR AND COUNTY ATTORNEY**

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, Rensselaer County was awarded \$493,143.57 for year one of the five-year grant award of \$7,397,153.61 from the New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services, for the period commencing April 1, 2018 through March 31, 2023, to enact the Statewide Expansion of Hurrell-Harring pursuant to the 2017 amendment to County Law § 722-e and enactment of Executive Law § 832 (4); and

WHEREAS, Rensselaer County was awarded \$986,287.15 for year two of the five-year grant award of \$7,397,153.61 from the New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services, for the period commencing April 1, 2018 through March 31, 2023, to enact the Statewide Expansion of Hurrell-Harring pursuant to the 2017 amendment to County Law § 722-e and enactment of Executive Law § 832 (4); and

WHEREAS, Rensselaer County was awarded \$1,479,430.72 for year three of the five-year grant award of \$7,397,153.61 from the New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services, for the period commencing April 1, 2018 through March 31, 2023, to enact the Statewide Expansion of Hurrell-Harring pursuant to the 2017 amendment to County Law § 722-e and enactment of Executive Law § 832 (4); and

WHEREAS, Rensselaer County was awarded \$1,972,574.30 for year four of the five-year grant award of \$7,397,153.61 from the New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services, for the period commencing April 1, 2018 through March 31, 2023, to enact the Statewide Expansion of Hurrell-Harring pursuant to the 2017 amendment to County Law § 722-e and enactment of Executive Law § 832 (4); and

WHEREAS, The grant award (contract number CSTWIDEHH37) will enable the County to have counsel at arraignment, quality improvement and caseload relief; and

WHEREAS, The New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services has authorized a twelve (12) month extension through March 31, 2024 for the Statewide Expansion of Hurrell-Harring grant; and

WHEREAS, All purchases, made under this grant, will be done under the purchasing guidelines set forth in the Purchasing Policies and Procedures of the County of Rensselaer; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That any positions, programs, expenditures and/or agreements or contracts authorized or established pursuant to this resolution shall terminate and cease upon discontinuance of said funding; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Executive, or his designee, is authorized to accept and sign the above-referenced grant extension agreement, subject to the approval as to form by the Rensselaer County Attorney.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

April 11, 2023

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County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Stall, Gendron, Nichols

Sent To: Health

Committee

Date April 11, 2023

Resolution No. G/136/23

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF AIR PURIFIERS FOR COUNTY SCHOOL BUILDINGS - DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, The Rensselaer County Department of Health ("RCDOH") previously accepted funding from the New York State Department of Health ("NYSDOH") in the amount of \$3,890,436.00 for the period of July 1, 2021 through July 31, 2022, as per resolution G/285/21; and

WHEREAS, As per resolution G/194/22, NYSDOH has granted RCDOH an extension until July 31, 2023 to expend the noted funds; and

WHEREAS, This funding is to establish COVID-19 screening/testing programs to support and maintain in-person learning, including public, private, BOCES, and charter schools, as applicable, and to support school-based screening/testing activities intended to reopen schools; and

WHEREAS, The financial resources provided are required by law to support school-based screening/testing activities intended to support open, in person K-12 school environments during the COVID-19 pandemic. Additionally, these resources may be used to support items or activities aimed at implementation of prevention strategies necessary to curtail the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, RCDOH obtained a quote to purchase 96 air purifiers for County school districts at a cost of \$593.45 each, for a total cost of \$56,971.20, with such price including a 17% discount from the vendor, BreatheEZ, 5775 Birch Drive, Berrien Springs, MI 49103; and

WHEREAS, This purchase is in accordance with Rensselaer County Purchasing Guidelines and is funded within budget appropriation code A.4017.04500.SCHOOLS.2021.04500; now, therefore, be it

Resolution No. G/136/23

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RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Executive, or his designee, is authorized to sign for the above-referenced purchase.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

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County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Loveridge, Grant, Weaver, Herrington, Bayly, Fleming

Sent To: Contracts & Agreements

Committee

Date April 11, 2023

Resolution No. G/137/23

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT FOR THE PURCHASE OF HEAVY EQUIPMENT TIRES AND TIRE SERVICES – HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, Bids for the purchase of heavy equipment tires, tire capping and tire services have been solicited and are acceptable based upon the specifications, and the desired agreements are for the remainder of the current year with two (2) one-year extension clauses by the lesser of three percent (3%) or the annual percent increase in the consumer price index if mutually agreeable, provided vendor continues to meet specifications; and

WHEREAS, Selection of the contractor is based upon the most responsible vendor meeting bid specifications at the lowest cost to the County; and

WHEREAS, The names and addresses of the contracting parties, the start and end dates of the noted agreements, the Highway Department's designated source of funding being limited to appropriation code DM.5130.04500, and the total amount to be expended over the life of the agreements, which shall not exceed budgeted appropriations, are as follows:

<u>CONTRACT DESCRIPTION AND DATES</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>BUDGET CODE</u>	<u>ESTIMATED CONTRACT AMOUNT</u>
RFB No. 23-07 Heavy Equipment Tires and Tire Services (5/1/23 – 12/31/23)	Inter City Tire 1243 Route 9 Wappinger Falls, NY 12590	DM.5130.04500	\$80,000.00
RFB No. 23-07 Heavy Equipment Tires and Tire Services (5/1/23 – 12/31/23)	Warren Tire Service Center, Inc. 4 Highland Ave. Queensbury, NY 12804	DM.5130.04500	\$50,000.00
RFB No. 23-07 Heavy Equipment Tires and Tire Services (5/1/23 – 12/31/23)	Hoosick Tire 4972 Route 7 Hoosick, NY 12089	DM.5130.04500	\$10,000.00

; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That all other Rensselaer County departments are also authorized to purchase from the above-noted contract, provided that purchases do not exceed budgeted appropriations; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Director of the Bureau of Central Services is authorized to sign for the above-referenced purchases.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

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RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Loveridge, Grant, Weaver, Stall, Gendron, Nichols

Sent To: Contracts & Agreements

Committee

Date April 11, 2023

Resolution No. G/138/23

RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2023 RENSSELAER COUNTY ADOPTED BUDGET - DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, A portion of grant funding within the Department of Health ("Department") was not used in 2022, and, as such, the Department wishes to roll the unexpended grant funding into the 2023 Rensselaer County Adopted Budget; and

WHEREAS, These programs are fully funded by State or Federal monies and will produce no fiscal impact on Rensselaer County; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That any positions, programs, expenditures, and/or agreements or contracts authorized or established pursuant to this Resolution shall terminate and cease upon discontinuance of said funding; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the 2023 Rensselaer County Adopted Budget shall be and is hereby amended as follows:

GENERAL FUND REVENUE

<u>CODE</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
<u>A.4017 Department of Health - Nursing</u>			
A.4017.34016 .COVID19VAX.2021.34016 COVID19 Vaccine Response	\$ 77,385.00	\$143,107.00	\$220,492.00
A.4017.34026 Public Health - Bioterrorism Response	\$102,521.00	\$ 19,847.00	\$122,368.00
A.4017.34026 .OCF.2019.34026 Opioid Crisis Funding	\$ 48,281.00	\$ 3,098.00	\$ 51,379.00

GENERAL FUND REVENUE (CONTINUED)

<u>CODE</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
<u>A.4090 Department of Health - Environmental Health</u>			
A.4090.34029 Public Health - Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program	\$439,500.00	<u>\$ 35,030.00</u>	\$474,530.00
Total Revenue:		\$201,082.00	

GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS

<u>CODE</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
<u>A.4017 Department of Health - Nursing</u>			
A.4017.04500 .COVID19VAX.2021.04500 Spec. Dept. Supplies	\$ 11,763.00	\$143,107.00	\$154,870.00
A.4017.04500 .OCF.2019.04500 Spec. Dept. Supplies	\$ 5,209.00	\$ 3,098.00	\$ 8,307.00
A.4017.04503 Spec. Dept. Supplies (Alt #3)	\$ 15,384.00	\$ 19,847.00	\$ 35,231.00
<u>A.4090 Department of Health - Environmental Health</u>			
A.4090.04501 Spec. Dept. Supplies (Alt #1)	\$ 27,590.00	<u>\$ 35,030.00</u>	\$ 62,620.00
Total Appropriations:		\$201,082.00	

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:**Ayes:****Nays:****Abstain:****April 11, 2023****Clerk of the Legislature**

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County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Bayly, Hoffman, Grimm

Sent To: Budget & Finance

Committee

Date April 11, 2023

Resolution No. G/139/23

RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2023 RENSSELAER COUNTY ADOPTED BUDGET - BUREAU OF FINANCE

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, The County previously created the Rensselaer County Responds Fund Program ("Program") per Resolution G/211/21; and

WHEREAS, The Program was established to provide Community Program Grants to various fire, ambulance, veteran and youth organizations, following the financial stress endured by such community organizations during the pandemic crisis; and

WHEREAS, The accumulated savings of the 2020 general fund balance was utilized to fund the Program grants beginning in 2021; and

WHEREAS, The County would like to expend the remaining funds of the Program to other qualified organizations; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the 2023 Rensselaer County Adopted Budget shall be and is hereby amended as follows:

GENERAL FUND OTHER SOURCES

<u>CODE/DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
A.00915 Assigned Fund Balance	\$17,240,000.00	\$(456,571.00)	\$16,783,429.00

GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS

<u>CODE</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
A.6310.04800 Contractual agencies	\$20,000.00	\$456,571.00	\$476,571.00

Resolution **ADOPTED** by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

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RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Loveridge, Grant, Weaver, Herrington, Bayly, Fleming

Sent To: Contracts & Agreements

Committee

Date April 11, 2023

Resolution No. G/140/23

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACTS FOR CONVENTIONAL ASPHALT PAVING - HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, Bids for conventional asphalt paving have been solicited and are acceptable based upon the specifications; and

WHEREAS, The desired agreements would be in effect through December 31, 2023, with a one year extension clause if mutually agreeable, provided the vendor continues to meet specifications; and

WHEREAS, Selection of the vendor, plant location, delivery, etc. will be based upon lowest responsible cost, availability, and alignment with the County's best-value purchasing guidelines; and

WHEREAS, The names and addresses of the contracting parties, the start and end dates of the desired agreements, the designated sources of funding being limited to budget appropriation codes D.5110.04500, D.5110.04800, D.5112.04500 and D.5112.04800, and the total amount to be expended over the life of the agreements, which shall not exceed budgeted appropriations, are as follows:

CONTRACT DESCRIPTION <u>AND DATES</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF CONTRACT</u>
RFB 23-11 Conventional Asphalt Paving (4/1/23-12/31/23)	New Castle Paving LLC 1 Madison Street, Suite 100 Troy, NY 12180	\$650,000.00
RFB 23-11 Conventional Asphalt Paving (4/1/23-12/31/23)	Valley Paving and Construction PO Box 262 Valley Falls, NY 12185	\$650,000.00
RFB 23-11 Conventional Asphalt Paving (4/1/23-12/31/23)	Delsignore Blacktop Paving 42 Brick Church Road Troy, NY 12180	\$475,000.00

RFB 23-11 Conventional Asphalt Paving (4/1/23-12/31/23)	Best Paving 1349 Broadway Albany, NY 12204	\$400,000.00
RFB 23-11 Conventional Asphalt Paving (4/1/23-12/31/23)	HMA Contracting Corp. PO Box 151 Mechanicville, NY 12118	\$600,000.00
RFB 23-11 Conventional Asphalt Paving (4/1/23-12/31/23)	Callanan Industries PO Box 15097 Albany, NY 12212	\$ 75,000.00
RFB 23-11 Conventional Asphalt Paving (4/1/23-12/31/23)	Gorman Brothers, Inc. 200 Church Street Albany, NY 12202	\$ 75,000.00
RFB 23-11 Conventional Asphalt Paving (4/1/23-12/31/23)	Peckham Road Corp. 375 Bay Road, Suite 201 Queensbury, NY 12804	\$ 75,000.00
RFB 23-11 Conventional Asphalt Paving (4/1/23-12/31/23)	Evolution Construction Services PO Box 511 Mechanicville, NY 12118	\$ 175,000.00
RFB 23-11 Conventional Asphalt Paving (4/1/23-12/31/23)	TD Paving 944 Luther Road East Greenbush, NY 12061	\$ 75,000.00

; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Director of the Bureau of Central Services is authorized to sign for the above-referenced purchase orders.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

April 11, 2023

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RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Loveridge, Grant, Weaver, Herrington, Bayly, Fleming

Sent To: Contracts & Agreements

Committee

Date April 11, 2023

Resolution No. G/141/23

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACTS FOR COLD MILLING - HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, Bids for cold milling have been solicited and are acceptable based upon the specifications; and

WHEREAS, The desired agreements would be in effect through December 31, 2023, with a one year extension clause if mutually agreeable, provided the vendor continues to meet specifications; and

WHEREAS, Selection of the vendor will be based upon lowest responsible cost and availability to the County; and

WHEREAS, The names and addresses of the contracting parties, the start and end dates of the desired agreements, the designated sources of funding being limited to budget appropriation codes D.5110.04500, D.5110.04800, D.5112.04500 and D.5112.04800, and the total amount to be expended over the life of the agreements, which shall not exceed budgeted appropriations, are as follows:

CONTRACT DESCRIPTION AND DATES	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>ITEMS BID</u>	<u>ESTIMATED CONTRACT AMOUNT</u>
RFB 23-12 Cold Milling (4/1/23- 12/31/23)	Callanan Industries Inc. PO BOX 15097 Albany, NY 12212	#1 - #5	\$7,500.00
RFB 23-12 Cold Milling (4/1/23- 12/31/23)	Peckham Road Corp. 375 Bay Road Suite 201 Queensbury, NY 12804	#1 - #5	\$7,500.00
RFB 23-12 Cold Milling (4/1/23- 12/31/23)	Evolution Construction Services PO BOX 511 Mechanicville, NY 12118	#1 - #5	\$80,000.00
RFB 23-12 Cold Milling (4/1/23- 12/31/23)	Valley Paving Construction Inc. PO BOX 262 Valley Falls, NY 12185	#1 - #5	\$37,500.00
RFB 23-12 Cold Milling (4/1/23- 12/31/23)	Peter Luizzi & Bros Construction Inc. 49 Railroad Ave. Albany, NY 12205	#1 - #5	\$70,000.00

RFB 23-12 Cold Milling (4/1/23- 12/31/23)	New Castle Paving LLC. 1 Madison Ave Suite 100 Troy, NY 12180	#1- #5	\$80,000.00
RFB 23-12 Cold Milling (4/1/23- 12/31/23)	TD Paving 944 Luther Road East Greenbush, NY 12061	#1 - #5	\$50,000.00
RFB 23-12 Cold Milling (4/1/23- 12/31/23)	Gorman Brothers, Inc. 200 Church Street Albany, NY 12202	#1 - #5	\$7,500.00

; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Director of the Bureau of Central Services is authorized to sign for the above-referenced purchase orders.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

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RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Loveridge, Grant, Weaver, Herrington, Bayly, Fleming

Sent To: Contracts & Agreements

Committee

Date April 11, 2023

Resolution No. G/142/23

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACTS FOR THE PURCHASE OF HOT MIX ASPHALT PRODUCTS AND TRUCKING – HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, Bids for the purchase of hot mix asphalt products and trucking have been solicited and are acceptable based upon the specifications, and the desired agreements are for one year with a one-year extension clause, if mutually agreeable, provided the vendor continues to meet specifications; and

WHEREAS, Selection of the vendor, location, delivery, etc. will be based upon lowest responsible cost and availability to the County; and

WHEREAS, The names and addresses of the contracting parties, the start and end dates of the desired agreements, the designated sources of funding being limited to budget appropriation codes D.5110.04500, D.5112.04500 and D.5120.04500, and the total amount to be expended over the life of the agreements, which shall not exceed budgeted appropriations, are as follows:

CONTRACT DESCRIPTION <u>AND DATES</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF CONTRACT</u>
Bid No. 23-14 Hot Mix Asphalt Products and Trucking (4/1/23-3/31/24)	Callanan Industries, Inc. P.O. Box 15097 Albany, N.Y. 12212-5097	\$30,000.00
Bid No. 23-14 Hot Mix Asphalt Products and Trucking (4/1/23-3/31/24)	Troy Sand and Gravel P.O. Box 489 W. Sand Lake, N.Y. 12196	\$375,000.00
Bid No. 23-14 Hot Mix Asphalt Products and Trucking (4/1/23-3/31/24)	New Castle Asphalt 159 Brick Church Road Troy, N.Y. 12180	\$275,000.00

Bid No. 23-14	William E. Dailey, Inc.	\$10,000.00
Hot Mix Asphalt	1358 VT Route 7A	
Products and Trucking	Shaftsbury, VT 05262	
(4/1/23-3/31/24)		

Bid No. 23-14	Peckham Materials Corp.	\$10,000.00
Hot Mix Asphalt	438 Vaughn Road	
Products and Trucking	Hudson Falls, N.Y. 12839	
(4/1/23-3/31/24)		

Bid No. 23-14	Sun Oil Asphalt Inc.	
Hot Mix Asphalt	PO Box 536	\$300,000.00
Products and Trucking	East Greenbush, N.Y. 12061	
(4/1/23-3/31/24)		

; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Director of the Bureau of Central is authorized to sign for the above-referenced purchase orders.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

April 11, 2023

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County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Loveridge, Grant, Weaver, Maloney

Sent To: Contracts & Agreements

Committee

Date April 11, 2023

Resolution No. G/143/23

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AMENDMENT OF AGREEMENTS WITH E. STEWART JONES HACKER MURPHY LLP FOR REPRESENTATION OF RENSSELAER COUNTY IN LITIGATION

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, The County has been named as a defendant in Nyny Case No. 8-21-cv-00908, Rensselaer County Index No. EF2020-267628, Rensselaer County Index No. EF2021-268790, Rensselaer County Index No. EF2021-269296, Rensselaer County Index No. EF2021-269643, Rensselaer County Index No. EF2021-268968, Rensselaer County Index No. EF2021-269071, and Albany County Index No. 906811-21; and

WHEREAS, The County has engaged E. Stewart Jones Hacker Murphy LLP to represent the County in the above-referenced referenced matters; and

WHEREAS, The County anticipates that additional services will be required to defend the County in the above-referenced matters and, accordingly, wishes to authorize amendment of the agreements with E. Stewart Jones Hacker Murphy LLP; now; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Executive or his designee shall be, and is hereby authorized to, amend the agreements with E. Stewart Jones Hacker Murphy LLP for continued representation of the County in the above-referenced matters, provided that such agreements shall be amended to increase the total amount payable by the County under such agreements collectively by an amount not to exceed \$25,000 for all matters, and provided further that such amendment shall be subject to approval as to form by the Rensselaer County Attorney.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

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RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Loveridge, Grant, Weaver, Maloney

Sent To: Contracts & Agreements

Committee

Date April 11, 2023

Resolution No. G/144/23

RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2023 RENSSELAER COUNTY ADOPTED BUDGET - COUNTY ATTORNEY

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, The Office of the County Attorney is responsible for representing the Department of Social Services in child abuse and neglect cases in Family Court and in guardianship, supplemental needs trust, and Medicaid lien matters in Surrogate's Court and Supreme Court; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Social Services and the Office of the County Attorney have entered into a cooperative agreement in order to facilitate reimbursement from New York State for the attorneys and staff providing services in support of the Department of Social Services; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the 2023 Rensselaer County Adopted Budget shall be and is hereby amended as follows:

<u>ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION</u> <u>COUNTY ATTORNEY</u>	<u>GL ACCOUNT</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
Personnel Services				
Assistant County Attorney	A.1420.01007	\$70,000	\$10,000	\$80,000
Policy & Program Consultant	A.1420.01007	\$40,871	\$32,019	\$72,890
Social Security	A.1420.08003	\$67,812	\$3,214	\$71,026
Medical Insurance	A.1420.08006	\$146,023	(\$10,000)	\$136,023
 CONTINGENT				
Contingent	A.1990.04999	\$893,614	(\$35,233)	\$858,381
		\$1,218,320	\$0	\$1,218,320

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

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County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Bayly, Hoffman, Grimm

Sent To: Budget & Finance

Committee

Date April 11, 2023

Resolution No. G/145/23

RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING 2022 LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BALANCES TO BE DESIGNATED FOR THE RENSSELAER COUNTY "TAX STABILIZATION FUND" - RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

WHEREAS, As a result of the adoption of Resolution No. G/119/10, the Legislature established a dedicated fund named the "Tax Stabilization" Fund which became part of the unappropriated fund balance within the Rensselaer County General Fund; and

WHEREAS, Through the diligence and prudence of the Rensselaer County Legislative Board, the Rensselaer County Auditor and the Environmental Management Council, a savings of \$152,201.86 exists in the 2022 Rensselaer County Adopted Budget in the following appropriation codes of these departments:

	<u>2022</u>	
<u>APPROPRIATION CODE</u>		<u>SAVINGS</u>
A 1010 Legislative Board		
01007 Personnel Services		\$22,624.53
04010 Travel		\$ 15.50
04011 Travel (Alt #1)		\$ 1,467.92
04300 Telephone		\$ 907.69
04420 Maintenance		\$ 100.00
04450 Rental Equipment/Maintenance		\$ 258.43
04500 Special Dept. Supplies		\$ 117.09
04501 Special Dept. Supplies (Alt #1)		\$ 109.46
04540 Publications		\$ 1,631.89
04550 Office Supplies		\$ 641.35
04551 Office Supplies (Alt #1)		\$ 1,451.39
04800 Contractual Agency		\$ 4,345.00
08001 State Retirement		\$19,330.68
08002 Vision		\$ 254.27
08003 Social Security		\$ 1,008.60
08806 Medical Insurance		\$.74
08007 Dental		\$ 384.28
		<u>\$54,648.82</u>

2022APPROPRIATION CODESAVINGS**A 1320 Auditor**

01007	Personnel Services	\$48,903.76
04500	Special Departmental Supplies	\$ 255.15
04550	Office Supplies	\$ 372.34
08001	State Retirement	\$ 7,529.48
08002	Vision	\$ 64.38
08003	Social Security	\$ 4,135.29
08006	Medical Insurance	\$18,268.93
08007	Dental	\$ 23.48
		<u>\$79,552.81</u>

A 8090 Environment Management Council

01007	Personnel Savings	\$ 1,257.36
04010	Travel	\$ 9.50
04100	Printing	\$ 50.00
04500	Special Departmental Supplies	\$ 19.88
04800	Contractual Agency	\$16,131.26
08001	State Retirement	\$.26
08002	Vision	\$ 4.02
08003	Social Security	\$ 418.65
08006	Medical Insurance	\$ 83.75
08007	Dental	\$ 15.55
		<u>\$ 18,000.23</u>

Total Savings: \$152,201.86

; and

WHEREAS, It is the desire of the Rensselaer County Legislature to add this savings to the "Tax Stabilization" Fund; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the savings of \$152,201.86 realized by Rensselaer County Legislative Board, the Rensselaer County Auditor and the Environmental Management Council in the 2022 appropriation budget codes listed above was rolled into General Fund unappropriated fund balance on December 31, 2022 is also hereby designated for purposes of a "Tax Stabilization" Fund.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:**Ayes:****Nays:****Abstain:****April 11, 2023**

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County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Loveridge, Grant, Weaver, Maloney

Sent To: Contracts & Agreements

Committee

Date April 11, 2023

Resolution No. G/146/23

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT FOR THE PURCHASE OF A WORK TRUCK FOR THE
RENSSELAER COUNTY BUILDINGS DEPARTMENT, 99 TROY ROAD, EAST GREENBUSH, NY -
BUREAU OF CENTRAL SERVICES**

WHEREAS, This resolution is filed with the County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, The Rensselaer County Buildings Department is in need of a work truck with plow package for use by the Buildings Department staff for outdoor work and snowplowing at the Rensselaer County Office Building, 99 Troy Road, East Greenbush, NY; and

WHEREAS, The County Fleet Manager has reviewed and approved the Building's Department purchase request, pursuant to the County Vehicle Usage and Driver's Policy; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Central Services submitted a mini-bid request through the New York State Office of General Services Vehicle Marketplace Group 40440, Award 23166 effective November 14, 2019 through November 13, 2029 for a Chevrolet 3500 with Snowplow Package or Equal; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Central Services received three (3) responses with Joe Basil Chevrolet, Inc., submitting the lowest bid, Central Services was advised the truck would not be available until possibly the Fall of 2023 and could not guarantee a delivery date. Maguire Motors, LLC, was the next lowest responsible bidder meeting the specifications with an equal to work truck: RAM 3500 Reg Cab 4X4 Automatic with plow package with an estimated purchase amount of \$62,054.83; and

WHEREAS, The purchase will be paid with funds from Appropriation Code A.1620.02500 H1171; and

CONTRACT DESCRIPTION	VENDOR	APPROPRIATION CODE	ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF CONTRACT
NYSOGS Mini-Bid Solicitation # 12673: PC68973, Group 40440, Award 23166	Maguire Motors, LLC 318 Elmira Road Ithaca, NY 14850	A.1620.02500 H1171	\$62,054.83

; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Director of the Bureau of Central Services shall be and is hereby authorized and empowered to execute purchases from Maguire Motors, LLC, for the above-referenced vehicle.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

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County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Casale, Choquette, Zalewski

Sent To: Environment

Committee

Date April 11, 2023

Resolution No. G/147/23

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS AS PART OF THE HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION EVENTS FOR 2023 - ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

WHEREAS, This resolution is filed with the County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Environmental Management Council; and

WHEREAS, The Rensselaer County Environmental Management Council is coordinating county wide Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) events throughout 2023; and

WHEREAS, This funding is necessary to provide Rensselaer County residents with the opportunity for the environmentally safe disposal of household hazardous waste; and

WHEREAS, The host municipality for each event is responsible for initial payment of the invoice from the vendor as well as the subsequent invoicing to each municipality for their participating residents; and

WHEREAS, Rensselaer County will be acting as host for 2 events located in Brunswick and Schodack and therefore responsible for the payment of the initial invoice and the consequent billing of all participating municipalities as to their level of participation, thereby recouping all costs less the 25% offset per resident given to each municipality as detailed in G/122/23; and

WHEREAS, The payment of the invoice shall not exceed \$75,000 (A.8090.04800); now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Executive be, and hereby is authorized to execute the above-referenced agreements, subject to the approval as to form by the Rensselaer County Attorney.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

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RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Loveridge, Grant, Weaver, Herrington, Bayly, Fleming

Sent To: Contracts & Agreements

Committee

Date April 11, 2023

Resolution No. G/148/23

**RESOLUTION APPROVING MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH UNITED PUBLIC SERVICE
EMPLOYEES UNION AND INCREASING HOURLY RATES FOR CORRESPONDING HIGHWAY
DEPARTMENT POSITIONS - HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, Due to the current competitive salary structure offered to employees in the public works sector, it is imperative that the County responds appropriately to maintain and attract qualified personnel at the Highway Department; and

WHEREAS, The County and the United Public Service Employees Union ("UPSEU") have engaged in negotiations and arrived at a Memorandum of Agreement ("Memorandum of Agreement") to improve the wages for certain Highway Department positions for the period beginning January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2026; and

WHEREAS, The Memorandum of Agreement is subject to the approval of the Rensselaer County Executive and ratification by the Rensselaer County Legislature; and

WHEREAS, Based upon the Memorandum of Agreement, the hourly rates for various positions within the Highway Department will be increased as follows, retroactive from January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2026:

DM.5130.01007 - Highway Road Machinery, Personnel Services	
Supervisor Equipment Repair	increase \$3.00/hour
Head Automotive Mechanic	increase \$3.00/hour
Welder - Mechanic	increase \$3.00/hour
Automotive Mechanic	increase \$3.00/hour

D.5110.01007 - Highway-Road Maintenance, Personnel Services	
Highway Supervisor II	increase \$3.00/hour
Sign Crew Supervisor	increase \$3.00/hour
Working Supervisor	increase \$3.00/hour
MEOH	increase \$3.00/hour
MEOL	increase \$3.00/hour
Temporary Services	rate = \$20.00/hour
Highway Maintenance Worker 1	rate = \$20.00/hour
Highway Maintenance Worker 2	rate = \$22.50/hour

D.5010.01007 - Highway Administration, Personnel Services	
Principal Account Clerk	increase \$3.00/hour

; and

WHEREAS, All other Highway titles covered by the Memorandum of Agreement not listed above shall also be entitled to the appropriate raise schedule; and

WHEREAS, The estimated fiscal impact of these changes for the 2023 budget year is approximately \$416,000.00, such impact to be funded by D and DM fund balances within the 2023 County Adopted Budget for the Highway Department; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Legislature hereby approves and ratifies the Memorandum of Agreement, approves the above-referenced hourly rates, and authorizes the Rensselaer County Executive, or his designee, to enter into a collective bargaining agreement or amendment thereof with UPSEU which incorporates the terms and conditions of the Memorandum of Agreement, subject to the approval as to form by the Rensselaer County Attorney.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

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RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Loveridge, Grant, Weaver, Maloney

Sent To: Contracts & Agreements

Committee

Date April 11, 2023

Resolution No. G/149/23

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF COMPUTER MONITORS AND RELATED TECHNOLOGY PERIPHERALS - PUBLIC DEFENDER

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Executive; and

WHEREAS, The Rensselaer County Public Defender, the Rensselaer County Conflict Defender and the Rensselaer County Attorney received a five-year grant award (Contract Number CSTWIDEHH37) totaling \$7,397,153.61 from the New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services, for the period commencing April 1, 2018 through March 31, 2023, pursuant to the authority granted by Resolution No. G/312/19; and

WHEREAS, It is anticipated that said grant contract will be extended by future resolution; and

WHEREAS, The grant award provides for funds for office equipment, including technology for the newly renovated office space at 1600 Seventh Avenue, Troy, New York and for the use of the attorneys and staff who will occupy that space for the Public Defender; and

WHEREAS, The Public Defender is requesting authorization to purchase three upgraded Viewsonic ViewBoard interactive flat panel and related peripherals for installation in the newly renovated office space at 1600 Seventh Avenue, Troy, New York in the Public Defender's office; and

WHEREAS, The purchase by the Public Defender of the aforementioned equipment will be funded with grant monies under appropriation code 02400 A 1170 HHD1Y5 ("Other Equipment"); and

WHEREAS, The name and address of the contracting vendor, the start and end date of the contract, the source of funding for the same, and the total amount to be expended over the life of the same, which shall not exceed budgetary appropriations, is as follows:

<u>CONTRACT DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION CODE</u>	<u>AMOUNT OF CONTRACT</u>
Purchase of Upgraded Flat Panels & Install	Audio-Video Corporation 213 Broadway Albany, NY 12204	A.1170.02400 HH.D1Y5.PD 02400	\$13,719.84

; and

WHEREAS, The above-referenced purchase is being made in accordance with the policies and procedures set forth in the Rensselaer County Purchasing Guidelines; now, therefore, be it

Resolution No. G/149/23

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RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Executive or his designee is authorized to sign for the above-referenced purchase.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

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RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Casale, Hoffman, Loveridge, Bayly, Herrington, Choquette, Fiacco, Gendron, Grant, Maloney, Patire, Stall, Wysocki, Weaver, Grimm, Doran, Fleming, Nichols, Zalewski

Sent To: Rules & Legislative Operations

Committee

Date April 11, 2023

Resolution No. P/150/23

RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE CATHOLIC CENTRAL SCHOOL VARSITY BOYS' BASKETBALL TEAM UPON AN OUTSTANDING SEASON

WHEREAS, Cognizant of the hard work and steadfast commitment by some of the exceptional youth in our county to excel in competitive sports, it is consistent with the duty of this Legislative Body to recognize their achievements; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize the youth of our county whose superior achievements have contributed to the vitality of this community; and

WHEREAS, This year the Catholic Central Boys' Basketball Team finished an outstanding season with 25 wins, 2 losses and taking home the titles of: 50th Notre Dame Juggler Classic Champions, Colonial Council Champions and Regional Champions; and

WHEREAS, For the first time in over 40 years this team secured the Section 2 Class B Championship for their school, and for the first time in Catholic Central High School History, this outstanding team advanced to become NYSPHSAA Class B State Finalists; and

WHEREAS, The Varsity Basketball team members are: Sei'mir Roberson (Freshmen #0), Darien Moore (Freshmen #1), Xaul Arroyo (Freshmen #2), Connor Gemmill (Senior #3), Qwameik Smith (Freshmen #5), Xavyjon Arroyo (8th Grade #10), Nick Schrom (Senior #11), Aiden Prunty (7th Grade #13), Nick Riley (Senior #15), Danny Bologna (Junior #22) and Brian Warncke (Junior #25); and

WHEREAS, The Catholic Central Boys' Varsity Basketball team flourished under the guidance of Head Coach Guy DiBacco, Assistant Coach Austin Matteo and Assistant Coach Cameron Germaine; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Legislature does hereby commend and offer congratulations to the coaches, team members, family and supporters of a team well deserving of praise and recognition; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the coaches and team members of the Catholic Central School Boys' Varsity Basketball Team.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

April 11, 2023

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Loveridge, Choquette, Gendron, Hoffman, Bayly, Herrington, Casale, Fiacco, Grant, Maloney, Patire, Stall, Wysocki, Grimm, Doran, Fleming, Nichols, Weaver, Zalewski

Sent To: Rules & Legislative Operations

Committee

Date April 11, 2023

Resolution No. P/151/23

RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE AVERILL PARK VARSITY GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM UPON AN OUTSTANDING SEASON

WHEREAS, Cognizant of the hard work and steadfast commitment by some of the exceptional youth in our county to excel in competitive sports, it is consistent with the duty of this Legislative Body to recognize their achievements; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize the youth of our county whose superior achievements have contributed to the vitality of this community; and

WHEREAS, This year the Averill Park Girls' Basketball Team finished an outstanding season, winning the Section 2 Class A Championship and the NYSPHSAA Regional Championship, before falling short in the Class A semifinal round to tough competition; and

WHEREAS, This year's Sectional title marks the school's ninth consecutive Class A title, and 14th since 2006, solidifying the program as a powerhouse in the Capital Region for well over a decade; and

WHEREAS, The Averill Park Varsity Girls' Basketball team members are: Bailee Lange, Kayleigh Ahern, Elizabeth Hansen, Addison Alvey, Arianna Verardi, Taylor Holohan, Ciara Pogue, Abigail Colwill, Tatiana Tune, Elizabeth Aiossa, Hannah Stewart, Aubrey Wilson, Lillian Wohlleber, Shea Kelly and Emily Aiossa; and

WHEREAS, The Averill Park Varsity Girls' Basketball team flourished under the guidance of Head Coach Sean Organ, Assistant Coach Scott Keegan and Director of Athletics Mark Bubniak; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Legislature does hereby commend and offer congratulations to the coaches, team members, family and supporters of a team well deserving of praise and recognition; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the coaches and team members of the Averill Park Warriors Varsity Girls' Basketball Team.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

April 11, 2023

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Casale, Loveridge, Choquette, Gendron, Hoffman, Bayly, Herrington, Fiacco, Grant, Maloney, Patire, Stall, Wysocki, Grimm, Doran, Fleming, Nichols, Weaver, Zalewski

Sent To: Rules & Legislative Operations

Committee

Date April 11, 2023

Resolution No. P/152/23

RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE TROY HIGH VARSITY BOYS' BASKETBALL TEAM UPON AN OUTSTANDING SEASON

WHEREAS, Cognizant of the hard work and steadfast commitment by some of the exceptional youth in our county to excel in competitive sports, it is consistent with the duty of this Legislative Body to recognize their achievements; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to recognize the youth of our county whose superior achievements have contributed to the vitality of this community; and

WHEREAS, This year the Troy High Boys' Basketball Team finished an outstanding season, beating the number one seeded team in a thrilling double overtime upset victory to win the Section 2 Class A Championship, before falling short in the Class A Regional Championship; and

WHEREAS, The Troy High Varsity Boys' Basketball team members are: Terrance Clark, Steve Foust, Legend Merritt, Stetson Merrit, Damarion Tucker, Braden Ceresi, Justin Gilmore, Mike Wiltshire, Colin McBride, Kayne Behan, Stephen Mulino, Josiah Acevado, Vincent Adams and Trey Vantry; and

WHEREAS, The Troy High Varsity Boys' Basketball team flourished under the guidance of Head Coach John Kilian and Assistant Coaches Joe Landers, Trevor McCarthy, Mike Pierre and Mike Sunkes; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Legislature does hereby commend and offer congratulations to the coaches, team members, family and supporters of a team well deserving of praise and recognition; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution, suitably engrossed, be transmitted to the coaches and team members of the Troy High Varsity Boys' Basketball Team.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

April 11, 2023

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Grant, Maloney, Hoffman, Loveridge, Bayly, Herrington, Casale, Choquette, Fiacco, Gendron, Patire, Stall, Wysocki, Grimm, Doran, Fleming, Nichols, Weaver, Zalewski

Sent To: Rules & Legislative Operations

Committee

Date April 11, 2023

Resolution No. P/153/23

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING APRIL 9th - 15th, 2023 AS NATIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATORS WEEK IN RENSSELAER COUNTY

WHEREAS, Across the nation in times of intense personal crisis and community-wide disasters, the first access point for those seeking all classes of emergency services and homeland security information is 9-1-1. The local and county public safety communications centers that receive these calls have emerged as the first and single point of contact for persons seeking immediate relief during an emergency; and

WHEREAS, When an emergency occurs the prompt response of police officers, firefighters and paramedics is critical to the protection of life and preservation of property; and

WHEREAS, The safety of our police officers and firefighters is dependent upon the quality and accuracy of information obtained from citizens who telephone the Rensselaer County communications center; and

WHEREAS, Public Safety Dispatchers are the first and most critical contact our citizens have with emergency services; and

WHEREAS, Public Safety Dispatchers are the single vital link for our police officers and firefighters by monitoring their activities by radio, providing them information and ensuring their safety; and

WHEREAS, Public Safety Dispatchers of the Rensselaer County communications center have contributed substantially to the apprehension of criminals, suppression of fires and treatment of patients. Each dispatcher has exhibited compassion, a sense of calmness, reassurance and professionalism during the performance of their job in the past year; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body declares the week of April 9th through 15th, 2023 as National Telecommunicators Week in Rensselaer County, in honor of the men and women whose diligence and professionalism keep our county and citizens safe.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

April 11, 2023

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Stall, Gendron, Hoffman, Loveridge, Herrington, Bayly, Casale, Choquette, Fiacco, Grant, Maloney, Patire, Wysocki, Grimm, Doran, Fleming, Nichols, Weaver, Zalewski

Sent To: Rules & Legislative Operations

Committee

Date April 11, 2023

Resolution No. P/154/23

RESOLUTION COMMENDING RENSSELAER COUNTY NURSES ON THE CELEBRATION OF NURSES WEEK MAY 6 - 12, 2023

WHEREAS, Rensselaer County commends and thanks all of our Nurses for their hard work, compassion and dedication; and

WHEREAS, Nursing professionals have never been more vital to the health of our nation than they have been these past two years. Now more than ever, it's important to support and recognize them for the essential role they play in their communities and the countless lives they touch every day; and

WHEREAS, Nurses Week is celebrated annually between May 6th, National Nurses Day through May 12th, the birthdate of celebrated nurse Florence Nightingale; and

WHEREAS, Nurses are an important key component of the health-care system performing the most essential healthcare tasks and serving as the first point of contact for most patients; and

WHEREAS, From performing life saving measures to holding a patients hand, our nurses are there everyday to make sure patients get not only they care they need, but the comfort and compassion they deserve. Their complex jobs are physically and emotionally draining, yet they carry on; and

WHEREAS, Nurses advocate on behalf of their patients for an environment that promotes safe patient care, dignity and respect; and

WHEREAS, Nurses have the right to work in an environment that promotes safety, respect and dignity; and

WHEREAS, The Rensselaer County Legislature has declared the week of May 6-12, 2023 as National Nurses Week with the theme "You Make A Difference" to honor the varying nursing roles as well as the positive impact nurses have on everyone's lives; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the members of the Rensselaer County Legislature join the Rensselaer County Nurses to encourage the residents of this County to celebrate registered nurse's accomplishments and efforts to improve our health care system and show our appreciation for the nation's registered nurses not just during this week, but at every opportunity throughout the year.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

April 11, 2023

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Herrington, Casale, Hoffman, Loveridge, Bayly, Choquette, Fiacco, Gendron, Grant, Maloney, Patire, Stall, Wysocki, Grimm, Doran, Fleming, Nichols, Weaver, Zalewski

Sent To: Rules & Legislative Operations

Committee

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Resolution No. P/155/23

RESOLUTION HONORING SILVER STAR BANNER DAY IN RENSSELAER COUNTY

WHEREAS, The Rensselaer County Legislature honors the sacrifice of the many men and women in the Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS, Across all branches of the United States military, the Silver Star Service Banner and Flag honors Silver Star families for their services and gallantry; and

WHEREAS, Every May 1st, Silver Star Banner Day, Americans honor the sacrifices of the combat wounded, ill and dying services members. The day also recognizes service members awarded the Silver Star Medal; and

WHEREAS, The Silver Star Families of America was formed to make sure we remember the sacrifice of our wounded and ill by designing and manufacturing a Silver Star Banner and Flag; and

WHEREAS, The Silver Star Families of America's sole mission is that every time someone sees a Silver Star Banner in a window or a Silver Star Flag flying that people remember the sacrifices for this County, State and Nation; and

WHEREAS, The members of The Silver Star Families of America have worked tirelessly to provide the wounded of this County and Country with Silver Star Banners, Flags and care packages; and

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body wishes that the sacrifice of so many in our Armed Forces never be forgotten; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, This Legislative Body appreciates the Silver Star Families of America and honors their commitment to our wounded Armed Force members, and hereby declares May 1, 2023 as "Silver Star Banner Day", the permanent and official day to honor the wounded and ill Soldiers of the County of Rensselaer.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

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Resolution No. P/156/23

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING APRIL 2023 AS CHILD ABUSE AWARENESS MONTH IN RENSSELAER COUNTY

WHEREAS, Every year, Child Abuse Awareness Month is observed in April to recognize the efforts made by our communities and families in bringing this issue to light; and

WHEREAS, The first National Child Abuse Awareness Month was declared by President Carter in 1979 and after four years, April was formally established as the Child Abuse Prevention Month by proclamation by President Ronald Reagan; and

WHEREAS, One out of seven children in the United States has experienced some type of physical and sexual abuse and during the month of April, citizens are encouraged to raise the issue of child abuse and focus on the well-being of children and families around the country; and

WHEREAS, It is incumbent upon the Rensselaer County Legislature to take part in preventing child abuse and be supportive of the programs that are available to families, that we applaud the professionals who work everyday to help children deal with abuse, and to recognize children who are strong enough to speak up; and

WHEREAS, Abuse comes in many forms: verbal, physical, sexual, emotional and neglect. Emotional abuse is often mixed with other forms of abuse and is hard to detect and that is why we need to be aware, be wise and be alert; and

WHEREAS, During Child Abuse Awareness Month we encourage children to speak up if they have been mistreated or sexually abused, promote the prevention of child abuse through social media or webinars, educate people on the signs of abuse and to volunteer to work for child abuse protection organizations; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Legislature does hereby recognize the month of April as Child Abuse Awareness Month and that we "Wear Blue" for Child Abuse Prevention; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the members of the Rensselaer County Legislature ask our citizens, together with government, business, industry and school leaders to join together in observing April as Child Abuse Awareness Month and raising awareness for the safety of our children.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain: 0

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Resolution No. P/157/23

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MAY 14 - 20, 2023 AS NATIONAL SKILLED NURSING CARE WEEK

WHEREAS, National Skilled Nursing Care Week was founded in 1967 by the American Health Care Association; and

WHEREAS, National Skilled Nursing Care Week is a community outreach program designed to familiarize the public with long-term care facilities and the services they provide; and

WHEREAS, Our beloved citizens of Rensselaer County now residing in nursing homes, skilled nursing care and post-acute care centers have contributed immeasurably to the heritage, success and growth of our community; and

WHEREAS, Nursing home residents of any age or ability are themselves living history and a precious resource; and

WHEREAS, Skilled nursing care centers and their staff provide an incredible and steadfast commitment to a high-level of quality care and quality of life for their residents; and

WHEREAS, The theme for this year is "Cultivating Kindness". The theme encourages skilled nursing care centers around the country to host a variety of events that recognizes the individuals who reside, work and volunteer in nursing centers while adhering to infection control requirements; and

WHEREAS, The Rensselaer County Legislature encourages our community's citizens to honor and serve the individuals by participating in this year's Skilled Nursing Care Week observance at the Van Rensselaer Manor nursing home facility; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Legislature does hereby recognize the week of May 14 through May 20, 2023 as National Skilled Nursing Care Week; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body ask our citizens, together with government, business and industry to join together in honoring and recognizing the men and women who ensure that our long term care facilities offer a quality product.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

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Resolution No. P/158/23

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MAY 7 - 13, 2023 AS CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS WEEK

WHEREAS, Positive mental health is especially vital to children's development. Promoting and supporting the mental health and well-being of children is a significant issue for all citizens and Children's Mental Health Week is a time to focus on the needs of children and change the perception around mental health; and

WHEREAS, Addressing the complex mental health needs of children, youth, and families today is fundamental to the future of Rensselaer County; and

WHEREAS, As many as one in six children ages 6 - 17 have treatable mental health disorders such as depression, anxiety problems, or attention deficit/hyperactivity disorder (ADHA) and half of all conditions start by the age of 14 but most cases are undetected and untreated; and

WHEREAS, The consequences of not addressing adolescent mental health conditions extends to adulthood, impairing both physical and mental health and limiting opportunities to lead fulfilling lives as adults; and

WHEREAS, This years theme is "Accept, Advocate, Act". We want our children across their lifespan accepted and that means systemic change is needed on how mental health is defined; and

WHEREAS, Rensselaer County, through its unique approach to serving children and adolescents, is effectively caring for the mental health needs of children, youth, and families in our community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the County of Rensselaer recognizes May 7 - 13, 2023 as Children's Mental Health Awareness Week and urges our citizens and all agencies and organizations interested in meeting every child's mental health needs to unite on that week in the observance of such exercises as will acquaint the people of Rensselaer County with the fundamental necessity of a year-round program for children and youth with mental health needs and their families; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Legislature is hereby directed to transmit a copy of this resolution, suitably engrossed, to the Rensselaer County Mental Health Department.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

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Resolution No. P/159/23

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MAY 2023 AS MENTAL HEALTH MONTH

WHEREAS, Mental health is essential to everyone's overall physical health and emotional well-being and caring for your mind as well as your body is good for your overall health and vital for success in personal life, at work, and at school; and

WHEREAS, Mental illness will strike nearly one in four adults and children in a given year, regardless of age, gender, race, ethnicity, religion, or economic status; and

WHEREAS, Mental Health conditions are real and prevalent in our nation and all Americans experience times of difficulty and stress in their lives; and

WHEREAS, This year the theme for Mental Health Month is "Celebrating the Power of Community Kindness". The campaign is focused on how surroundings impact mental health and is calling for individuals to look around and look within; and

WHEREAS, With effective treatment, those individuals with mental health conditions can recover and lead full, productive lives; and

WHEREAS, Each business, school, government agency, faith-based organization, healthcare provider, organization and citizen shares the burden of mental health problems and has a responsibility to promote mental wellness and support prevention efforts; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Legislature hereby recognizes May 2023 as Mental Health Month.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

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Resolution No. P/160/23

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THURSDAY, MAY 4, 2023 AS A NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

WHEREAS, The first Thursday of May marks the 71st annual observance of the National Day of Prayer; and

WHEREAS, The Congress of the United States of America, in the year 1952, established an annual day of prayer, whereby millions of Americans have assembled each year in churches, synagogues, mosques, schools, parks and other venues to intercede on behalf of our great Nation; and

WHEREAS, Citizens of all religious beliefs join together and put aside their differences in an annual observance of prayerful reflection like our founding fathers of America did to seek the wisdom of a higher counsel when faced with critical decisions; and

WHEREAS, Today our great country faces extremely difficult times and daunting challenges, from economic turmoil to the threat of terrorism and moral confusion; and

WHEREAS, Every President since 1952 has called for and proclaimed a National Day of Prayer and asks people to turn to God in prayer and meditation; and

WHEREAS, Following the precedent established by Presidents and leaders throughout our history proclaiming reliance on an Almighty God calling citizens to come before Him on behalf of our Nation; and

WHEREAS, The theme for 2023 is: "Pray Fervently in Righteousness and Avail Much"; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Legislature does hereby proclaim May 4, 2023 to be a National Day of Prayer.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

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Resolution No. P/161/23

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING APRIL 28, 2023 AS ARBOR DAY

WHEREAS, Arbor Day was first celebrated in Nebraska on April 10, 1874 to raise awareness of trees and the important role they play in our environment; and

WHEREAS, By 1882, less than a decade later, Arbor Day became a national event and was declared a legal holiday in 1885; and

WHEREAS, Arbor Day is now observed throughout the nation and the world annually although the date may vary depending on local seasons and conditions; and

WHEREAS, The theme for Arbor Day 2023 is "Trees are Terrific" in all shapes and sizes; and

WHEREAS, Trees can reduce the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, cut heating and cooling costs, moderate the temperature, clean the air, produce life-giving oxygen and provide habitat for wildlife; and

WHEREAS, Trees are a renewable resource giving us paper, wood for our homes, fuel for our fires and countless other wood products; and

WHEREAS, Trees increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, and beautify our community; and

WHEREAS, Trees, wherever they are planted, are a source of joy and spiritual renewal; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, The Rensselaer County Legislature does hereby recognize April 28, 2023 as Arbor Day in Rensselaer County and urges all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day and to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

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Resolution No. P/162/23

RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE PROPOSED CHANGES TO SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT LAW BY THE WATERSHED HEALTH COALITION

WHEREAS, The New York State Watershed Health Coalition is drafting the Equity and Cooperation for New York Farmers, Soil Health and Watershed Health Act to amend New York State Soil & Water Conservation District Law, Environmental Conservation Law, Agriculture and Markets Law, and County Law; and

WHEREAS, These amendments are in relation to soil, watershed and ecosystem health and climate resiliency; and

WHEREAS, Proposed amendments include increasing the New York State Soil & Water Conservation Committee (SWCC) Board to 7 members and altering board composition to replace the Grange voting member with a Northeast Organic Farming Association representative; eliminating specific seats for Grange, Farm Bureau and Urban, Suburban, and Rural non-farm landowner members from Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) boards; and moving from two appointed County Legislature representatives on SWCD boards to an open election; and

WHEREAS, Proposed amendments include establishment of a Soil & Watershed Health Fund requiring the NYS Soil & Water Conservation Committee to establish a tax/fee structure for each ton or portion thereof of commercial fertilizer distributed in NYS for agricultural and nonagricultural use thus creating the first tax program directly aligned with NYS SWCC programming and NYS Conservation District Law; and

WHEREAS, Proposed amendments include establishment of a Payment for Ecosystem Services (PES) Program developed and coordinated by stakeholders including local watershed coalitions, but not inclusive of local Soil & Water Conservation Districts; and

WHEREAS, The Watershed Health Coalition drafting proposed changes to NYS Conservation District is unprecedented; all proposed changes to Conservation District Law in NYS comes from the NYS Department of Agriculture & Markets (DAM) and is discussed with the local Soil & Water Conservation Districts before changes are drafted and/or adopted; and drafted Conservation District Law by the Watershed Health Coalition has not included discussions with any agencies that are affected including NYS DAM, NYS SWCC, and Soil & Water Conservation Districts in NYS; and

WHEREAS, The Soil & Water Conservation Districts have worked collectively and cooperatively with all farms of all sizes, and all organizations on agricultural and environmental issues and opportunities for over 80 years; and

WHEREAS, The Rensselaer County Legislature opposes the proposed changes to the Soil & Water Conservation District Law; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Legislature is hereby directed to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the NYS Conservation District Law by the Watershed Health Coalition, Rensselaer County Soil and Water and NYS Agriculture and Markets.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

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