

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE
REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, August 13, 2024

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 the Regular Meeting of July 9, 2024 was dispensed with and approved as printed.

MEETING AGENDA

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

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INDEX OF RESOLUTIONS: Attached

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RESOLUTION	TITLE
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G/319/24	RESOLUTION ADOPTING POST-ISSUANCE TAX COMPLIANCE PROCEDURES - BUREAU OF FINANCE
G/320/24	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF ONE NEW 12 PASSENGER VAN - UNIFIED FAMILY SERVICES - VETERANS
G/321/24	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF PORTABLE RADIOS AND AMENDING THE 2024 RENSSELAER COUNTY BUDGET- BUREAU OF PUBLIC SAFETY
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G/328/24	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT - HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT
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G/330/24	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH GREENMAN-PEDERSEN, INC. FOR ENGINEERING DESIGN SERVICES FOR RECONSTRUCTION OF CR 36 (PARK AVENUE) BRIDGE OVER LITTLE HOOSIC RIVER, TOWN OF BERLIN - HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT
G/331/24	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A GRANT AWARD FROM THE NEW YORK STATE DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES AND AMENDING THE 2024 RENSSELAER COUNTY ADOPTED BUDGET - DEPARTMENT OF PROBATION
G/332/24	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF ONE (1) TRANSPORT VAN AND NECESSARY EQUIPMENT AND ACCESSORIES - OFFICE OF THE RENSSELAER COUNTY SHERIFF
G/333/24	RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2024 RENSSELAER COUNTY ADOPTED BUDGET - DISTRICT ATTORNEY
G/334/24	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF TIRES AND RELATED SERVICES - AUTO MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT
G/335/24	RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF ONE (1) NEW WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE VAN - UNIFIED FAMILY SERVICES DEPARTMENT FOR THE AGING
G/336/24	AUTHORIZING THE CONVERSION OF A PART TIME HUMAN RESOURCE SPECIALIST POSITION TO FULL TIME AND AMENDING THE 2024 RENSSELAER COUNTY ADOPTED BUDGET - BUREAU OF HUMAN RESOURCES
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P/339/24	RESOLUTION APPOINTING A MEMBER TO THE RENSSELAER COUNTY EMERGENCY RADIO COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE
P/340/24	RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING TIME AND PLACE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON A SCHEDULE OF SEWER RENTS OR OF ANY SCHEDULE OF AMENDED SEWER RENTS- RENSSELAER COUNTY SEWER DISTRICT #1
P/341/24	RESOLUTION COMMENDING TEDS FISH FRY UPON THE OCCASION OF THEIR 75 TH ANNIVERSARY
P/342/24	RESOLUTION COMMENDING MICHAEL POOST UPON HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE EAST GREENBUSH COMMUNITY LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

P/343/24	RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE YOUNG ACTORS GUILD UPON THE OCCASION OF THEIR THIRTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY
P/344/24	RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING SEPTEMBER 17 - 23, 2024 AS UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION WEEK IN RENSSELAER COUNTY
P/345/24	RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE 2024 VAN RENSSELAER AWARD RECIPIENTS
P/346/24	RESOLUTION DECLARING THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2024 IN RENSSELAER COUNTY AS A MONTH OF REMEMBRANCE
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RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Bayly, Hoffman, Grimm

Sent To: Budget & Finance

Committee

Date August 13, 2024

Resolution No. G/318/24

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CONVEYANCE OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY TO THE
FORMER OWNERS LISTED BELOW, WHO PAID TAX ARREARAGE IN FULL PRIOR TO
SCHEDULING OF AUCTION SALE - BUREAU OF FINANCE**

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

WHEREAS, Pursuant to a judgment of the County Court of the County of Rensselaer dated March 19, 2024, and entered in the Office of the Rensselaer County Clerk on March 20, 2024, and a deed executed to the County of Rensselaer dated March 21, 2024, and recorded on March 25, 2024, in the Office of the Rensselaer County Clerk, the County of Rensselaer did acquire title to the following parcels:

Town of Schaghticoke Jarrad Garone 20.-1-21.111

Town of Stephentown Harold A Petheram 195.-2-47

; and

WHEREAS, The former owners of the improved parcels listed above remitted payment in full of the tax arrearage owed for said parcels to the County of Rensselaer; and

WHEREAS, Such sums have been tendered with requests that the parcels be reconveyed to their former owners; and

WHEREAS, The County has previously approved real property transfers to private individuals under similar terms and conditions; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the County of Rensselaer does hereby authorize the reconveyance of the above listed parcels; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Executive or his designee, is authorized to sign such deeds and other documents as may be necessary to complete the transaction, with all said documents subject to the approval as to form by the Rensselaer County Attorney.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

August 13, 2024

Clerk of the Legislature

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Received from County Executive _____

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 August 13, 2024

Resolution No. G/319/24

RESOLUTION ADOPTING POST-ISSUANCE TAX COMPLIANCE PROCEDURES - BUREAU OF FINANCE

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

WHEREAS, The Internal Revenue Service has issued regulations requiring issuers of tax-exempt obligations to certify on various forms that they actively monitor compliance with federal tax rules following the issuance of such obligations; and

WHEREAS, Rensselaer County is an occasional issuer of tax-exempt obligations and thus is subject to the aforementioned compliance requirements which are critical for the preservation of the preferential tax status of those obligations; and

WHEREAS, It is therefore in the best interest of Rensselaer County to adopt formal written procedures to ensure such compliance and to designate an official responsible for ensuring that such procedures are followed; and

WHEREAS, Hodgson Russ LLP, as bond counsel to Rensselaer County, has prepared and has recommended that Rensselaer County adopt comprehensive post-issuance tax compliance procedures as set forth in the Attached Schedule A; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That such Schedule A is hereby ratified and approved and shall be placed in its entirety in the official records, files and minutes of Rensselaer County and adhered to going forward; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

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County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Herrington, Casale, Nichols

Sent To: Veterans & Youth

Committee

Date August 13, 2024

Resolution No. G/320/24

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF ONE NEW 12 PASSENGER VAN - UNIFIED FAMILY SERVICES - VETERANS

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

WHEREAS, The Unified Family Services Veterans Services Agency ("Department") seeks Legislative approval for the purchase of one (1) new 2025 Express twelve passenger van for the transportation of veterans; and

WHEREAS, The Department provides transportation to veterans living in the County of Rensselaer for VA related medical appointments and due to the growing population of aging veterans, there is an increased need for such services; and

WHEREAS, Replacement of the Department's current 2016 van is needed due to age and high mileage; and

WHEREAS, The Department received a quote via the New York State OGS Vehicle Marketplace - Mini Bid Contract PC69382 (award number OGS 23166-2024 Veterans 1, group number 40440-23166 Vehicles) from Mohawk Chevrolet, 639 State Route 67, Ballston Spa, New York 12020 for the purchase of one (1) 2025 Chevrolet Express 12 passenger van at a cost of \$48,728.88; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to the Rensselaer County Vehicle Usage and Drivers Policy, the County Fleet Manager has reviewed and approved the addition of this vehicle; and

WHEREAS, The Department will utilize funds available within the 2024 Rensselaer County Adopted Budget via appropriation code A.6510.02300 (Automobile); and

WHEREAS, This purchase is being made in accordance with the policies and procedures set forth in the Rensselaer County Purchasing Guidelines; and

WHEREAS, The name and address of the vendor, the source of funding for this purchase, and the total amount to be expended for this purchase, which shall not exceed budgeted appropriations is as follows:

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION CODE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
2025 Chevrolet Express 12 Passenger Van	Mohawk Chevrolet 639 State Route 67 Ballston Spa, NY 12020	A.6510.02300	\$48,728.88

; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Executive, or the Director of the Bureau of Central Services, is authorized to sign a purchase order for the above described passenger van.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

August 13, 2024

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County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

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

Sent To: Contracts & Agreements

Committee

Date August 13, 2024

Resolution No. G/321/24

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF PORTABLE RADIOS AND AMENDING THE 2024 RENSSELAER COUNTY BUDGET- BUREAU OF PUBLIC SAFETY

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

WHEREAS, Resolution G/61/20 authorized the acceptance of a fiscal year 2020 Statewide Interoperable Communications (SICG) Grant (SICG.2020), contract number C197935, from the New York State Division of Homeland Security & Emergency Services in the amount of \$749,475.00 with a performance period from January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2022; and

WHEREAS, Upon review of grants for public safety, it was discovered that \$96,730.08 had not yet been expended; and

WHEREAS, After a formal request and justification process, New York State Division of Homeland Security & Emergency Services has authorized the grant budget to be amended and the performance period has been extended for a period of January 1, 2023 - December 31, 2024; and

WHEREAS, The Bureau of Public Safety ("Bureau") seeks Legislative approval to extend the remaining grant award for the above described period; and

WHEREAS, The Bureau also seeks to purchase eleven (11) portable radios and radio accessories utilizing the funding from this grant award; and

WHEREAS, The Bureau received a quote from Motorola Solutions, 123 Tice Blvd., Suite 202, Woodcliff Lake, New Jersey 07677 for eleven (11) portable radios and radio accessories in the amount of \$90,418.02; and

WHEREAS, This purchase is being made in accordance with the policies and procedures set forth in the Rensselaer County Purchasing Guidelines; and

WHEREAS, The name and address of the vendor, the source of funding for this purchase, and the total amount to be expended for this purchase, which shall not exceed budgeted appropriations is as follows:

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION CODE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Public Safety Communications Equipment	Motorola Solutions 123 Tice Blvd Suite 202 Woodcliff Lake, NJ. 07677	A.3640.02400. SICG.2020.02400	\$90,418.02

; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, The Rensselaer County Executive, or his designee, is authorized to sign the above described grant amendment and performance extension agreement, subject to approval as to form by the Rensselaer County Attorney; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Executive, or his designee, is authorized to sign purchase orders for the above described purchase of eleven portable radios; and, be it further

RESOLVED, The 2024 Rensselaer County Adopted Budget shall be and hereby is amended as follows:

2024 GENERAL FUND REVENUE

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>CODE</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
Other Public Safety Grants	A.3640.33972. SICG.2020.33972	\$1,847,284.00	\$96,730.00	\$1,944,014.00

2024 GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>CODE</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
Equipment	A.3640.02400. SICG.2020.02400	\$493,540.00	\$96,730.00	\$590,270.00

Resolution **ADOPTED** by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

August 13, 2024

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Approved _____ Date _____

Disapproved _____
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County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Grant, Loveridge, Weaver

Sent To: Social Services

Committee

Date August 13, 2024

Resolution No. G/322/24

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH TREATMENT INNOVATIONS FOR PROFESSIONAL TRAINING - MENTAL HEALTH

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

WHEREAS, The Rensselaer County Department of Mental Health ("Department") acts as a conduit for monies from New York State Office of Addiction Services and Supports ("OASAS") to the various service providers operating in Rensselaer County; and

WHEREAS, Resolution G/166/24 authorized the acceptance of an award from OASAS Opioid Regional Abatement Fund for the 2024 funding period; and

WHEREAS, The Department seeks Legislative approval to enter into an agreement with Treatment Innovations for professional training of clinicians in "Seeking Safety", an evidence-based, present-focused counseling model to help people attain safety from trauma and/or addiction, for the period beginning August 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024; and

WHEREAS, The Department will utilize funding from the 2024 Opioid Settlement Funds Regional Abatement for the purpose of said contracted services; and

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

<u>DESCRIPTION/DATES</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION CODE</u>	<u>AMOUNT (NOT TO EXCEED)</u>
Seeking Safety Professional Training 08/01/2024- 12/31/2024	Treatment Innovations 28 Westbourne Road Newton Centre, MA 02459	A.4250.04894	\$25,000.00

; 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 described 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) Grant, Loveridge, Weaver

Sent To: Social Services

Committee

Date August 13, 2024

Resolution No. G/323/24

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH INNOVATEL TELEPSYCHIATRY, LLC FOR TELE-HEALTH NURSE PRACTITIONER SERVICES – DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH

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

WHEREAS, The Rensselaer County Department of Mental Health ("Department") seeks Legislative approval to enter into a continuing agreement with Innovatel Telepsychiatry, LLC, formerly Flight Suit Medical, P.C., to continue to provide tele-health nurse practitioner services; and

WHEREAS, Tele-health services are required to be provide in accordance with any and all regulatory and accreditation standards applicable to the Department and the services, including, without limitation, those requirements imposed by the Medicare/Medicaid conditions of participation and any amendments thereto, and all applicable Federal, State and Local laws, rules, regulations and policies; and

WHEREAS, Innovatel Telepsychiatry, LLC has the ability to perform and has agreed to provide the noted services for the Department; and

WHEREAS, Funding for said service is available within the 2024 Rensselaer County Adopted Budget; and

WHEREAS, Reimbursement is available from State funding and Medicaid revenue received by the Department; and

WHEREAS, The start and end dates of such contract, the source of funding of the same, the total amount to be expended over the life of the same, which shall not exceed budgetary appropriations, and the name of the contracting party are as follows:

<u>CONTRACT DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>VENDOR/DATES</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION</u>	
		<u>CODE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Tele-health Nurse Practitioner Services – Medical reviews of clients as needed	Innovatel Telepsychiatry, LLC Quatet MSO LLC 228 Park Ave. S. #36149 New York NY 10003 01/01/2024-12/31/2024	A.4320.04900	\$240,000.00

; 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 described agreement, subject to the approval as to form of the Rensselaer County Attorney.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

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RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Grant, Loveridge, Weaver

Sent To: Social Services

Committee

Date August 13, 2024

Resolution No. G/324/24

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CREATION OF A NEW POSITION TITLED COMMUNITY PREVENTION SPECIALIST 1 AND AMENDING THE 2024 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") seeks Legislative approval to create a new full-time position titled Community Prevention Specialist 1; and

WHEREAS, The Department has identified an increase in need for a Community Prevention Specialist for the purpose of providing overall community prevention intervention and delivery of services to various individuals in the community with a focus on educating and deterring persons of all age populations from using substances by working with community members, and coalitions; and

WHEREAS, Resolution G/166/24 authorized the acceptance of 2024 Opioid Settlement Regional Abatement funding from New York State Office of Addiction Services and Supports Services ("OASAS") to address substance use prevention, treatment, harm reduction and recovery service needs at the local level; and

WHEREAS, The Department will utilize the 2024 Opioid Settlement Regional Abatement funding from New York State OASAS under the "Prevention" category to fund the above described full-time position; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the full-time position of Community Prevention Specialist 1 be created; 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 2024 Rensselaer County Adopted Budget be amended as follows:

REVENUE**CODE/DESCRIPTION****CURRENT****CHANGE****REVISED**

A.4250.34980 Department of Mental Health- OASAS Opioid Settlement	\$1,049,612.00	(\$41,507.00)	\$1,008,105.00
A.4325.34980 Mental Health - Community Prev OASAS Opioid Settlement	\$ 0.00	\$41,507.00	\$41,507.00

APPROPRIATIONS**CODE/DESCRIPTION****CURRENT****CHANGE****REVISED**

A.4325.01007 Mental Health-Community Prev Personnel Services	\$0.00	\$66,946.00	\$66,946.00
A.4325.01007 Mental Health-Community Prev Personnel Service Savings	\$0.00	(\$45,968.00)	(\$45,968.00)
A.4325.04010 Mental Health-Community Prev Travel	\$0.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
A.4325.04300 Mental Health-Community Prev Telephone	\$0.00	\$ 700.00	\$ 700.00
A.4325.04500 Mental Health-Community Prev Special Departmental Supplies	\$0.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
A.4325.04550 Mental Health-Community Prev Office Supplies	\$0.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
A.4325.04560 Mental Health-Community Prev Training	\$0.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
A.4325.04900 Mental Health-Community Prev Professional Services	\$0.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00

APPROPRIATIONS (CONTINUED)

<u>CODE/DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
A.4325.08001 Mental Health-Community Prev State Retirement	\$0.00	\$ 2,685.00	\$2,685.00
A.4325.08002 Mental Health-Community Prev Vision	\$0.00	\$ 27.00	\$ 27.00
A.4325.08003 Mental Health-Community Prev Social Security	\$0.00	\$ 1,605.00	\$1,605.00
A.4325.08006 Mental Health-Community Prev Medical Insurance	\$0.00	\$ 7,720.00	\$7,720.00
A.4325.08007 Mental Health-Community Prev Dental	\$0.00	\$ 92.00	\$ 92.00
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS:		\$41,507.00	

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

August 13, 2024

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Disapproved _____
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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 August 13, 2024

Resolution No. G/325/24

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF AN ALUMINUM BOX CULVERT - HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

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

WHEREAS, The Highway Department requires an aluminum box culvert with headwalls and wingwalls to replace a large culvert along CR 27 (South Stephentown Road) in the Town of Stephentown; and

WHEREAS, The New York State Office of General Services (NYSOGS) has awarded a contract for the purchase of Aluminum Box Culverts (Group Number 37700, Award Number 23187); and

WHEREAS, An essential component of the contracts entered into by NYSOGS provides that said materials and respective bid prices received by the State shall be available to local governments of New York State; and

WHEREAS, The Highway Department wishes to purchase an aluminum box culvert under this contract; and

WHEREAS, The name and address of the contracting party, the source of funding for this purchase, and the total amount to be expended for this purchase, which shall not exceed budgeted appropriations, are as follows:

<u>DESCRIPTION/ DATES</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION CODE</u>	<u>ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF CONTRACT</u>
Award #23187 Culvert and Underdrain Pipe and Tubing w/ Arches, Bands and Accessories (Statewide) (04/01/20 - 03/31/25)	Chemung Supply Corporation 2420 Corning Road Elmira, NY 14903	D.5120.04500	\$69,331.48

; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Executive, or the Director of the Bureau of Central Services, is authorized to sign purchase orders for the above-described aluminum box culvert.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

August 13, 2024

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Clerk of the Legislature



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Disapproved _____
Veto Message Attached and Returned to Clerk

County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Grant, Loveridge, Weaver

Sent To: Social Services

Committee

Date August 13, 2024

Resolution No. G/326/24

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AMENDED AGREEMENT WITH UNITY HOUSE OF TROY, INC.
FOR SUPPORTED HOUSING SERVICES AND AMENDING THE 2024 RENSSELAER COUNTY
ADOPTED BUDGET - MENTAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

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 various service providers operating in Rensselaer County and County operated programming; and

WHEREAS, The Department seeks Legislative approval to amend an agreement with Unity House of Troy, Inc. for supported housing services to reflect approved 2023 funding levels from the respective State funding agencies for the period January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023; and

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

<u>DESCRIPTION/ DATES</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION CODE</u>	<u>CURRENT AMOUNT</u>	<u>REVISED AMOUNT</u>
Supported Housing 01/01/2023- 12/31/2023	Unity House of Troy, Inc. 4231 Sixth Ave Troy NY 12180	A.4322.04846	\$1,376,165.00	\$1,389,365.00

; and

WHEREAS, 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; now, therefore, be it

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

RESOLVED, That the 2024 Rensselaer County Adopted Budget be amended as follows:

GENERAL FUND REVENUES

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>CODE</u>	<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
Mental Health Contracted Services - Unity House Supported Housing-SA	A.4322.34904	\$1,384,338.00	\$13,200.00	\$1,397,538.00
Mental Health Contracted Services - Joseph House Supp Housing-SA	A.4322.34905	\$ 529,676.00	(\$13,200.00)	\$ 516,476.00

GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>CODE</u>	<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
Mental Health Contracted Services - Unity House Supported Housing	A.4322.04846	\$1,384,338.00	\$13,200.00	\$1,397,538.00
Mental Health Contracted Services - Joseph House Supp Housing	A.4322.04845	\$ 529,676.00	(\$13,200.00)	\$ 516,476.00

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

August 13, 2024

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Executive Action

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County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Herrington, Bayly, Fleming

Sent To: Public Works

Committee

Date August 13, 2024

Resolution No. G/327/24

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT - HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

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

WHEREAS, The Highway Department ("Department") has a need to replace and acquire additional equipment to perform normal highway operations; and

WHEREAS, The Department requires two (2) single axle dump trucks with plows, wings and stainless-steel combination dump bodies/sanders; and

WHEREAS, The Department has reviewed quotes available through various State of New York Sourcwell Contracts number 060920-NVS Single Axle Dump Trucks with plows and wings; and

WHEREAS, The name and address of the contracting party, the source of funding for this purchase, and the total amount to be expended for this purchase, which shall not exceed budgeted appropriations, are as follows:

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION CODE</u>	<u>AMOUNT OF EXPENSE</u>
(2) Heavy Duty Single Axle Trucks - 2026 International Model HV507 4x4 Heavy Duty Single Axle Trucks with Plows and Attachments	Allegiance Trucks PO Box 61 North Hoosick, NY 12133	H.5130.02500 H1203	\$618,130.00

; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Executive, or the Director of the Bureau of Central Services, as the case may be, is authorized to sign purchase orders for the above-described vehicles and equipment.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

August 13, 2024

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RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Herrington, Bayly, Fleming

Sent To: Public Works

Committee

Date August 13, 2024

Resolution No. G/328/24

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT - HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

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

WHEREAS, The Highway Department ("Department") has a need to acquire equipment to perform normal highway operations; and

WHEREAS, The Department requires one (1) John Deere tractor and one (1) side mount flail mower; and

WHEREAS, The Department has reviewed quotes available through various State of New York Sourcewell Contracts: #082923-DAC and #070821-DMM; and

WHEREAS, The names and addresses of the contracting parties, the source of funding for these purchases, and the total amount to be expended for these purchases, which shall not exceed budgeted appropriations, are as follows:

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION CODE</u>	<u>AMOUNT OF EXPENSE</u>
(1) John Deere 5100E Cab Tractor	United Ag & Turf 2173 Route 203 Chatham, NY 12037	H.5130.02500 H1203	\$66,514.39
(1) Diamond Side Mount Flail Mower	Stephenson Equipment, Inc. 6018 Drott Drive East Syracuse, NY 13057	H.5130.02500 H1203	\$52,931.00

; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Executive, or the Director of the Bureau of Central Services, as the case may be, is authorized to sign purchase orders for the above-described equipment.

Resolution **ADOPTED** by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

August 13, 2024

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County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

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

Sent To: Contracts & Agreements

Committee

Date August 13, 2024

Resolution No. G/329/24

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH SQUAD 9, LLC FOR TRAINING AND CONSULTING SERVICES - BUREAU OF PUBLIC SAFETY

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

WHEREAS, The Rensselaer County Bureau of Public Safety ("BPS") seeks Legislative approval to enter into an agreement with Squad 9, LLC for professional services for the term of September 1, 2024 through August 31, 2025 at a cost not to exceed \$25,000.00; and

WHEREAS, Squad 9, LLC, 65 Falling Brook Road, Fairport, New York 14450, will provide training and consulting services to the Rensselaer County BPS Threat Assessment Management Team; and

WHEREAS, BPS solicited proposals from various vendors of these services with Squad 9, LLC being chosen due to both their low price and quality of work; and

WHEREAS, BPS will utilize funding provided through the New York State Domestic Terrorism Prevention Grant within in the 2024 Rensselaer County Adopted Budget appropriation code A.3640.04900. DTP.2022.04900; and

WHEREAS, The start and end dates of such agreement, the source of funding of the same, the total expended over the life of the same, which shall not exceed budgeted appropriations and the name and address of the contracting party is as follows:

<u>DESCRIPTION/ DATES</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION CODE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Squad 9 LLC Training and Consulting Services 9/1/2024 - 8/31/2025	Squad 9, LLC 65 Falling Brook Rd Fairport, NY 14450	A.3640.04900.DTP.2022.04900	\$25,000.00

; 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 described agreement, subject to the approval as to form by the Rensselaer County Attorney.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

August 13, 2024

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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 August 13, 2024

Resolution No. G/330/24

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH GREENMAN-PEDERSEN, INC. FOR ENGINEERING DESIGN SERVICES FOR RECONSTRUCTION OF CR 36 (PARK AVENUE) BRIDGE OVER LITTLE HOOSIC RIVER, TOWN OF BERLIN - HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

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

WHEREAS, The Highway Department seeks Legislative approval to enter into an agreement with Greenman-Pedersen, Inc. for engineering design services for the reconstruction of CR 36 (Park Avenue) Bridge over Little Hoosic River, in the Town of Berlin; and

WHEREAS, Resolution G/265/22 authorized a capital project for the reconstruction of the CR 36 (Park Avenue) bridge; and

WHEREAS, Request for Proposals (RFP) for the noted project have been solicited and ranked according to cost, approach, experience, quality, and familiarity; and

WHEREAS, The County Engineer, following an inclusive review and scoring of the submitted responses to the RFP, has designated Greenman-Pedersen, Inc., 80 Wolf Road, Suite 600, Albany, New York 12205, to provide design services for the reconstruction of the CR 36 (Park Avenue) bridge; and

WHEREAS, The start and end dates of such contract, the source of funding of the same, the total amount to be expended over the life of the same, which shall not exceed budgetary appropriations, and the name of the contracting party are as follows:

<u>CONTRACT DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION CODE</u>	<u>ESTIMATED CONTRACT AMOUNT</u>
RFP 24-25 Design Services for CR 36 Bridge Reconstruction	Greenman-Pedersen, Inc. 80 Wolf Road Suite 600 Albany, NY 12205	H.5120.02500.H1213	\$76,000.00

; 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 described agreement, subject to the approval as to form by the Rensselaer County Attorney.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

August 13, 2024

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County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

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

Sent To: Contracts & Agreements

Committee

Date August 13, 2024

Resolution No. G/331/24

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A GRANT AWARD FROM THE NEW YORK STATE DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES AND AMENDING THE 2024 RENSSELAER COUNTY ADOPTED BUDGET - DEPARTMENT OF PROBATION

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

WHEREAS, The Rensselaer County Department of Probation has been awarded a grant from the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services for the Gun Involved Violence Elimination (GIVE) Partnership in the amount of \$238,906.00 for the period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Of the total grant award, \$124,381.00 will be allocated within the 2024 Rensselaer County Adopted Budget with the remainder being allocated within the Department's 2025 budget; and

WHEREAS, The primary focus of this grant will be to continue to reduce gun involved violent crime, to develop criminal intelligence, and to further implement a joint crime reduction strategy with GIVE Partnerships; and

WHEREAS, The grant award will provide for program expenses including salary and fringe benefits for a Probation Officer (Field Intelligence Officer), other Probation Officers' overtime, personnel expenses related to cognitive behavioral interventions, vocational cognitive behavioral interventions and related expenditures, support programs targeting areas of most risk toward violent crime, and training; 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 2024 Rensselaer County Adopted Budget shall be and hereby is amended as follows:

GENERAL FUND REVENUE

<u>CODE</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
A.3140.33109	\$ 0.00	\$124,381.00	\$124,381.00
.GIVEPROB.2024.33109			
Probation - GIVE			
Partnership Grant			

GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS

<u>CODE</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
A.3140 Department of Probation			
.01007.GIVEPROB .2024.01007 Overtime	\$ 0.00	\$ 47,000.00	\$ 47,000.00
.01007.GIVEPROB .2024.01007 Probation Officer	\$ 0.00	\$ 34,459.00	\$ 34,459.00
.01007.GIVEPROB .2024.01007 On-call Stipend	\$ 0.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
.04540.GIVEPROB .2024.04540 Publications	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,750.00	\$ 1,750.00
.04560.GIVEPROB .2024.04560 Training	\$ 0.00	\$ 950.00	\$ 950.00
.04700.GIVEPROB .2024.04700 Program Expenditures	\$ 0.00	\$ 20,276.00	\$ 20,276.00
.08008.GIVEPROB .2024.08008 Employee Benefits	\$ 0.00	\$ 19,446.00	\$ 19,446.00
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS:		\$124,381.00	

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

August 13, 2024

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County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Grant, Maloney, Weaver

Sent To: Judiciary & Public Safety

Committee

Date August 13, 2024

Resolution No. G/332/24

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF ONE (1) TRANSPORT VAN AND NECESSARY EQUIPMENT AND ACCESSORIES - 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 Sheriff's Office ("Department") seeks Legislative approval to purchase one (1) 2024 Ford transport van along with the necessary equipment and accessories; and

WHEREAS, This purchase will replace an existing vehicle without enlarging the Sheriff's current fleet of vehicles; and

WHEREAS, The Department has received a quote via the New York State OGS Vehicle Marketplace - Mini-Bid Contract PC69843 (OGS23166-20240521) from Nielsen Ford of Morristown, Inc., 170 Ridgedale Avenue, Morristown, New Jersey 07960 for the purchase of one (1) 2024 Ford Transport Van at a cost of \$85,109.89; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to the Rensselaer County Vehicle Usage and Drivers Policy, the County Fleet Manager has received and approved the Department's purchase request; and

WHEREAS, The Department has budgeted \$187,173.00 within the 2024 Rensselaer County Adopted Budget via appropriation code A.3150.02300 (Automobile); and

WHEREAS, This purchase is being made in accordance with the policies and procedures set forth in the Rensselaer County Purchasing Guidelines; and

WHEREAS, The name and address of the vendor, the source of funding for this purchase, and the total amount to be expended for this purchase, which shall not exceed budgeted appropriations is as follow:

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION CODE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
2024 Ford Transit AWD Cargo - Transport Van	Nielsen Ford of Morristown, Inc. 170 Ridgedale Avenue Morristown, NJ 07960	A.3150.02300	\$85,109.89

; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Executive, or the Director of the Bureau of Central Services, is authorized to sign a purchase order for the above described transport van.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

August 13, 2024

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County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

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

Sent To: Contracts & Agreements

Committee

Date August 13, 2024

Resolution No. G/333/24

RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2024 RENSSELAER COUNTY ADOPTED BUDGET - DISTRICT ATTORNEY

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

WHEREAS, Resolution G/400/23 authorized the acceptance of a one-year grant award from the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services ("DCJS") in the amount of \$225,000.00 for the period of October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024; and

WHEREAS, Resolution G/117/24 amended the 2023 and 2024 Rensselaer County Adopted Budgets rolling the remaining funds from 2023 into 2024; and

WHEREAS, During the fiscal year 2024, the Office of the District Attorney did not expend all the funds received; and

WHEREAS, DCJS has approved the available funds to be reallocated; 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 2024 Rensselaer County Adopted Budget shall be and hereby is amended as follows:

FUND APPROPRIATIONS

<u>ACCOUNT/ DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PROJECT CODE</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
DISTRICT ATTORNEY				
Personnel Services Parole Re-Entry Coordinator A.1165.01007	RTF.2023	\$48,970.00	\$ 254.00	\$49,224.00
Parole Re-Entry Assistant A.1165.01007	RTF.2023	\$44,583.00	\$ 232.00	\$44,815.00
Other Equipment A.1165.02400	RTF.2023	\$ 6,500.00	(\$ 1,703.00)	\$ 4,797.00
Office Supplies A.1165.04550	RTF.2023	\$17,387.00	(\$11,673.00)	\$ 5,714.00

FUND APPROPRIATIONS (CONTINUED)

<u>ACCOUNT/ DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PROJECT CODE</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
Program Expenditures A.1165.04700	RTF.2023	\$29,817.00	\$12,437.00	\$42,254.00
Employee Benefits A.1165.08008	RTF.2023	\$33,267.00	\$ <u>453.00</u>	\$33,720.00
		TOTAL:	\$ 0.00	

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

August 13, 2024

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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 August 13, 2024

Resolution No. G/334/24

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF TIRES AND RELATED SERVICES - AUTO MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT

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

WHEREAS, The Auto Maintenance Department ("Department") seeks Legislative approval to purchase tires and related services for Rensselaer County's fleet of vehicles and equipment; and

WHEREAS, The State of New York has renewed the contract with the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company and its local distributors for tires, tubes and related services (Award #PGB-23149, Group #30600); and

WHEREAS, An essential component of the contract entered into by the State provides that said equipment and respective bid prices received by the State shall be available to Local Governments of New York State as well as is also made available to other political subdivisions that wish to purchase tires and related services as made available by this contract, provided expenditures do not exceed budgetary appropriations; and

WHEREAS, The Department seeks to purchase tires and related services under this contract through the local Goodyear distributor, Adirondack Tire & Service, 198 Morris Road, Schenectady, New York 12303; and

WHEREAS, All purchases are being made in accordance with the policies and procedures set forth in the Rensselaer County Purchasing Guidelines; and

WHEREAS, The name and address of the vendor party, the source of funding for these purchases, and the total amount to be expended for these purchases, which shall not exceed budgeted appropriations are as follows:

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION CODE</u>	<u>ESTIMATED AMOUNT</u>
PC 68490 Tires, Tubes and Related Services	Adirondack Tire & Service 198 Morris Road Schenectady, NY 12303	A.1640.04500	\$30,000.00

; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That for the purposes of Section 3.03 of the Rensselaer County Charter, the authorization hereby provided shall be retroactive to the actual date that materials and/or services were provided; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Executive, or the Director of the Bureau of Central Services, as the case may be, is authorized to sign purchase orders for the above described tires and related services.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

August 13, 2024

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2RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Choquette, Fiacco, Fleming

Sent To: Aging

Committee

Date August 13, 2024

Resolution No. G/335/24

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF ONE (1) NEW WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE VAN - UNIFIED FAMILY SERVICES DEPARTMENT FOR THE AGING

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

WHEREAS, The Unified Family Services Department for the Aging ("Department") seeks Legislative approval for the purchase of one (1) new 2024 Chrysler Voyager wheelchair accessible van for transportation of seniors; and

WHEREAS, The Department provides transportation to seniors living in the County of Rensselaer for medical appointments and congregate dining; and

WHEREAS, Replacement of the Department's current van number 75, a 2001 Ford Wheelchair van, is necessary due to the age and condition of the vehicle; and

WHEREAS, The Department received a response to their Request for Quotes through the New York State OGS Vehicle Marketplace Mini Bid 2 Group 40440, Award 23166-Aging-1 from Towne Chrysler Dodge Jeep, Inc., 5130 Camp Road Hamburg, NY 14075, for the purchase of one (1) 2024 Chrysler Voyager LX at a cost of 69,925.91; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to the Rensselaer County Vehicle Usage and Drivers Policy, the County Fleet Manager has reviewed and approved the addition of this vehicle; and

WHEREAS, The Department will utilize funds available within the 2024 Rensselaer County Adopted Budget via appropriation code A.6775.02300; and

WHEREAS, This purchase is being made in accordance with the policies and procedures set forth in the Rensselaer County Purchasing Guidelines; and

WHEREAS, The name and address of vendor, the source of funding for this purchase, and the total amount to be expended for this purchase, which shall not exceed budgeted appropriations is as follows:

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>APPROPRIATION CODE</u>	<u>AMOUNT (NOT TO EXCEED)</u>
One (1) 2024 Chrysler Voyager LX	Towne Chrysler Dodge Jeep, Inc. 5130 Camp Road Hamburg, NY 14075	A. 6775.02300	\$69,925.91

; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Executive, or the Director of the Bureau of Central Services, is authorized to sign a purchase order for the above described purchase.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

August 13, 2024

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County Executive

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Wysocki, Patire, Zalewski

Sent To: Personnel

Committee

Date August 13, 2024

Resolution No. G/336/24

AUTHORIZING THE CONVERSION OF A PART TIME HUMAN RESOURCE SPECIALIST POSITION TO FULL TIME AND AMENDING THE 2024 RENSSELAER COUNTY ADOPTED BUDGET - BUREAU OF HUMAN RESOURCES

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

WHEREAS, The Bureau of Human Resources ("Department") seeks Legislative approval to convert the Human Resource Specialist position within the Rensselaer County Public Safety building from a part time position to a full time position; and

WHEREAS, The Department is seeking to utilize personnel savings from the Personnel Analyst position and apply the savings towards the increase in salary for the Human Resource Specialist; and

WHEREAS, These positions will be funded through the existing 2024 Rensselaer County Adopted Budgeted positions; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the part time Human Resources Specialist position at the Rensselaer County Public Safety building be converted to a full time position; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the 2024 Rensselaer County Adopted Budget shall be and hereby is amended as follows:

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>GL ACCOUNT</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
Bureau of Human Resources - Personnel Savings				
Human Resources Specialist	A.1431.01007	\$ 80,881.00	\$ 3,167.00	\$ 84,048.00
Personnel Analyst	A.1431.01007	\$ 56,100.00	(\$3,167.00)	\$ 52,933.00
	TOTAL	\$136,981.00	\$ 0.00	\$136,981.00

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

August 13, 2024

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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 August 13, 2024

Resolution No. G/337/24

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF POLLING PLACE BALLOTS FOR PRIMARY AND GENERAL ELECTIONS FROM PHOENIX GRAPHICS - BOARD OF ELECTIONS

WHEREAS, This Resolution is filed with the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Board of Elections; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Elections seeks to purchase polling place ballots for primary and general elections with a contract period through December 31, 2025; and

WHEREAS, An RFQ was done and Phoenix Graphics was the lowest quote; and

WHEREAS, The lowest quote, Phoenix Graphics is qualified and Board of Elections requests approval to award a contract to Phoenix Graphics for up to 40,000 (estimated) polling place ballots per any primary election, through December 31, 2025, at a ballot price of \$0.39 per ballot; and

WHEREAS, And 100,000 (estimated) polling place ballots for the General Election at a ballot price of \$0.39; and

WHEREAS, The ballots are to be perforated, stitched with front and back covers, and printed on required 80# Accent ballot stock, shrunk wrapped, and delivered FOB to the Board of Elections; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Elections will provide Clear Ballot PDF ballot files, and the vendor will provide secure file transfer and ballot proofs to the Board of Elections within 48 hours, and deliver ballots within 48 hours to the Board of Elections; and

WHEREAS, The start and end dates of the agreements, the sources of funding being limited to budget appropriation codes A.1450.04100, the total amount to be expended over the life of the same, which shall not exceed budgetary appropriations, and the name and address of the contracting party are as follows:

CONTRACT DESCRIPTION

AND DATES

POLLING PLACE BALLOTS FOR
PRIMARY AND GENERAL
ELECTIONS
6/1/24- 12/31/25

VENDOR

Phoenix Graphics.
1525 Emerson Street
Rochester, NY 14606

ESTIMATED AMOUNT

OF CONTRACT

\$ 15,600.00 Primary
\$ 39,000.00 General
\$ 54,600.00 Per Year

; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Director of the Bureau of Central Services shall be authorized to execute purchase orders with the above vendor for the above described materials and services; and, be it further

RESOLVED, The Board of Elections is hereby authorized to enter into a multiple year contract for polling place ballots for Primary and General elections, through December 31, 2025.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

August 13, 2024

Clerk of the Legislature

Sent to County Executive _____

Received from County Executive _____

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) Wysocki, Patire, Zalewski

Sent To: Personnel

Committee

Date August 13, 2024

Resolution No. G/338/24

RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2024 RENSSELAER COUNTY ADOPTED BUDGET - RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

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

WHEREAS, The Legislature needs to amend the 2024 Adopted Rensselaer County Budget to meet the staffing needs in the Auditors Office due to a temporary vacancy; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the 2024 Rensselaer County Adopted Budget shall be and hereby is amended as follows:

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>GL ACCOUNT</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
Legislative Assistants	A.1010.01007	\$ 133,831.00	(\$12,444.00)	\$121,387.00
Deputy Auditor	A.1320.01007	\$ 45,852.00	\$ 12,444.00	\$ 58,296.00
	TOTAL		\$ 12,444.00	

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

August 13, 2024

Clerk of the Legislature

Sent to County Executive _____

Received from County Executive _____

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: Rules & Legislative Operations

Committee

Date August 13, 2024

Resolution No. P/339/24

RESOLUTION APPOINTING A MEMBER TO THE RENSSELAER COUNTY EMERGENCY RADIO COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Rule 4 of the Rules of the Legislature, there now exists vacancies on the Rensselaer County Emergency Radio Communications Committee; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the following named person(s) are now hereby appointed to the Rensselaer County Emergency Radio Communications Committee for a term to commence immediately and to expire on December 31, 2025:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>City, ST, Zip</u>	
Seth Tracy	40 Rose Lane	Rensselaer, NY 12144	Battalion 4

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

August 13, 2024

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Herrington, Bayly, Fleming

Sent To: Public Works

Committee

Date August 13, 2024

Resolution No. P/340/24

**RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING TIME AND PLACE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON A SCHEDULE
OF SEWER RENTS OR OF ANY SCHEDULE OF AMENDED SEWER RENTS- RENSSELAER
COUNTY SEWER DISTRICT #1**

BE IT RESOLVED, That in accordance with Local Law #6 of 1976 as amended by Local Law # 3 of 1994 of Rensselaer County, a Public Hearing will be held in the Chambers of the Rensselaer County Legislature at the County Office Building, 99 Troy Road, East Greenbush, New York on Tuesday, September 10, 2024, at 5:30 p.m. to review an established schedule of sewer rents or schedule of amended rents submitted to the Rensselaer County Legislature by the Rensselaer County Sewer Board of Commissioners; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Legislature shall publish the Public Hearing notice in the official newspapers and post on the Legislative website.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

August 13, 2024

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

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

Sent To: Rules & Legislative Operations

Committee

Date August 13, 2024

Resolution No. P/341/24

RESOLUTION COMMENDING TEDS FISH FRY UPON THE OCCASION OF THEIR 75th ANNIVERSARY

WHEREAS, A community is only as great as its members who provide exemplary leadership and service and who, through personal and professional dedication, contribute to the fabric and climate of Rensselaer County; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such duty and fully in accord with its longstanding traditions, it is the intent of this Legislative Body to convey its compliments to Ted Fish Fry; and

WHEREAS, Ted's Fish Fry is a family owned and operated business that has been a Capital Region tradition for over 75 years! Started by Ted Deeb, Ted's is an American Dream success story; and

WHEREAS, Ted Deeb, the son of Lebanese immigrants living in Troy, quit school in the fourth grade and worked in his fathers dry-food store, then started selling knickknacks door to door at age 12; and

WHEREAS, Ted continued selling different products from door to door until he was 20 years old. At this time, he took a \$300 loan from his sister and bought an open-air fruit market. After successfully running the fruit stand for a couple of years, Ted purchased a building and converted it into a snack bar called "Pots and Lots". From there, Ted moved to 447 3rd Ave, in Watervliet and opened the first Ted's Fish Fry; and

WHEREAS, Sadly, Ted passed away on July 21, 1985, Family and tradition are two things that go hand and hand at Ted's Fish Fry. Today, Ted's son SK is now the president of the company and runs all 6 Ted's Fish Frys with the help of his son, Bill Deeb, cousin, Joe Deeb, and his wonderful managers & employees; and

WHEREAS, Employees who start as high-schoolers continue with the company for years, some even returning after a period for part-time shifts well into adulthood. Some families have had three generations employed by Teds Fish Fry. The siblings attribute such loyalty on flexible schduleing, free staff meals, benefits for qualified employees such as health care and 401(k) plans and a bonus structure as well as working right along their side; and

WHEREAS, Today, the Watervliet Ted's Fish Fry is still running, along with 5 other locations in Halfmoon, Sycaway, Latham, Colonie and Albany, bringing in about three tons of fresh cod per week from ports in Boston and New Bedford, Massachusetts; and

WHEREAS, Traditions that Ted began in the 1940's including the way the orders are called to the cooks and the delicious recipes that Ted mastered continue today but new menu items have been added and beer and wine are now offered at the Western Avenue location proving how a tradition rich business can evolve and adapt in small ways; and

WHEREAS, The seventh store is being developed for a fall opening in a former Pizza Hut in Ballston Spa; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That in accordance with the tradition of the Rensselaer County Legislature to recognize those institutions and individuals who have contributed to the vitality of this community, it hereby commends Teds Fish Fry as it celebrates its 75th Anniversary; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Legislature is hereby directed to transmit a copy of this resolution, suitably engrossed, to SK Deeb.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

August 13, 2024

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

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

Sent To: _____ Committee _____ Date August 13, 2024

Resolution No. P/342/24

RESOLUTION COMMENDING MICHAEL POOST UPON HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE EAST GREENBUSH COMMUNITY LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

WHEREAS, As it is the sense of our unique society to recognize the contributions and achievements of the citizens of Rensselaer County, we praise and recognize the career of an individual in his achievements in the history of the community; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such duty and fully in accord with its longstanding traditions, it is the intent of this Legislative Body to convey its compliments and felicitations to Michael Poost upon the occasion of his retirement; and

WHEREAS, Michael was born in Germany on October 12, 1952, the second of four children. He and his mother and two siblings moved to the United States to join their father when Michael was 2 years of age. His father was an architect who moved to the United States in advance of the family; and

WHEREAS, They first lived in Woodhaven, NY (1954 - 1955). They then moved to Hollis NY (1955-1961). In 1961 the family moved to Montclair, NJ where Michael lived through his high school years. Of note, they moved into a historic home in Montclair - the summer home of Harry Fenn, a watercolorist and illustrator. This home was built in 1884; and

WHEREAS, Michael moved to the Capital District in 1970 to attend RPI in Troy. He studied architecture, a five-year program, and graduated in 1975. During his time at RPI, he met the love of his life, Denise Ziervogel, who was a student at Russell Sage College at the time. They married and settled in East Greenbush. Their son, Adam, was born in 1981. He attended East Greenbush schools and now lives and works in Southern California. Michael also enjoys spending time with his son, daughter-in-law Kristin and two grandsons; and

WHEREAS, Michael worked in architecture throughout his career. Right out of college, he worked for Donald J. Stephens and Associates. In 1983, he and a colleague from that firm set out on their own, forming a small architectural firm called Brandt and Poost. Their office was located on Middlesex Road in East Greenbush. Some time later, he was recruited to work at a larger firm, Envision. He worked there until his retirement in 2016; and

WHEREAS, Michael has always been community-minded, and interested in giving back to the town he calls home. In the late 1980s, Michael started volunteering with the EGCSO. He served on the Long Range Planning Committee until 1992 when the economy was bad and the state took a great deal of money from schools. At that time, Long Range Planning Committee was disbanded. Michael also volunteered for EGCSO's BRAC, the Budget Review Advisory Council; and

WHEREAS, In 1992, when the EGCSO disbanded the Long Range Planning Committee, Michael sought out other ways to serve his community. As luck would have it, a colleague of his, Jeri Strong, reached out to him, asking if he would

be willing to serve on the East Greenbush Library Board. He was appointed to fill the board vacancy that arose when the trustee, Helen Glass, resigned in August 1992. He has served on the EGCL Board since. His appointment was timely as the library was struggling to address space needs for the library at this time, as it occupied a small space in the East Greenbush Town Hall in the early 1990s.

Michael's architectural skills and knowledge of building needs was especially helpful to the board; and

WHEREAS, A few additional notes re Michael's time on the library board. Soon after Michael joined the board the library board proposed to the EG community that the library rent a vacant storefront in the Price Chopper plaza. That proposal was voted down by the voters, which was quite a shock to the board. They conducted a phone survey of EG residents and learned that community members supported a new library, but were not in favor of doing so in a rented building. They were in support of the library purchasing a space for a larger library. This prompted the board to begin looking for land or a building that the library could purchase. Michael (and his architectural expertise) were critical in this process; and

WHEREAS, Michael became Board President in 1994, a position he held (except for a one year hiatus) until 2023; and

WHEREAS, In 1998, the library and YMCA jointly purchased a 39-acre parcel from Theodore Michael. The library kept a 10-acre plot, the YMCA kept 13 acres, and they sold 16 acres to The Eddy for construction of a Senior Living community; and

WHEREAS, Once they found the land, in 1999, Board President Michael Poost advocated for approval of a \$893,791 budget to support construction of a new \$2.5 million library on this 10 acre plot. The board added the funds to purchase the land into one year's budget and the funds to build the building and operate it in the following year's budget. Both budgets were approved by EG voters; and

WHEREAS, The library broke ground on June 6, 2000 and moved into its new home in March 2001; and

WHEREAS, Michael retired from the board effective July 31, 2024; and

WHEREAS, It is not all volunteer work for Michael. He enjoys travel, downhill skiing, kayaking, and learning new things. He is an avid consumer of the news as well; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations and hereby recognize and commend Michael Poost for his years of distinguished, conscientious, and faithful service to East Greenbush Library Board of Trustees and wishes him well in all of his future endeavors; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Legislature is hereby directed to transmit a copy of this resolution, suitably engrossed, to Michael Poost.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

August 13, 2024

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

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

Sent To: Rules & Legislative Operations

Committee

Date August 13, 2024

Resolution No. P/343/24

RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE YOUNG ACTORS GUILD UPON THE OCCASION OF THEIR THIRTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY

WHEREAS, Young Actors Guild of the Capital Region is dedicated to creating high-quality theatre for young artists; and

WHEREAS, Established in 1989 by Mary D'Amico as the Rensselaer Youth Theater Workshop on the RPI campus, Young Actors Guild has grown to become one of the longest running children's educational theater programs in the Capital Region; and

WHEREAS, YAG is committed to improving the quality of life for children and families in our community by serving approximately 250 young people and families annually in six key program areas each year. We have workshops in stage productions, new play development, theatre arts training, vacation camps; and high school apprentice and college intern programs; and

WHEREAS, The mission of the Young Actors Guild is to encourage a child's self-discovery, enhance their self-expression, stimulate their imagination and develop strong character; and

WHEREAS, Young Actors Guild provides professional expectations, resources, and mentors that lead young people through the exploration of multiple theatrical disciplines; and

WHEREAS, YAG provides a multiple of perspectives and experiences they believe are essential to learning and is committed to making programming available for young artists of all socioeconomic and cultural backgrounds; and

WHEREAS, The Young Actors Guild values providing a diverse experience for all participants in their preparation for future endeavors in theatre, focusing on the Core Values: self-esteem, empathy, responsibility, collaboration, creativity and perseverance; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That in accordance with the tradition of the Rensselaer County Legislature to recognize those institutions and individuals who have contributed to the vitality of this community, it hereby commends the Young Actors Guild as it celebrates its Thirty-fifth Anniversary; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Legislature is hereby directed to transmit a copy of this resolution, suitably engrossed, to Young Actors Guild.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

August 13, 2024

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

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

Sent To: Rules & Legislative Operations

Committee

Date August 13, 2024

Resolution No. P/344/24

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING SEPTEMBER 17 - 23, 2024 AS UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION WEEK IN RENSSELAER COUNTY

WHEREAS, Constitution Week was started by the Daughters of the American Revolution in 1955 and is celebrated annually from September 17-23 to commemorate the adoption of the U.S. Constitution; and

WHEREAS, Constitution Day is an American holiday honoring the day the 39 delegates of the Constitutional Convention signed the United States Constitution in 1787; and

WHEREAS, September 17, 2024, marks the Two Hundred and Thirty-seventh Anniversary of our Nation's founding document; and

WHEREAS, Constitution Week is a time to reflect on the Constitution's history, importance, and how it continues to serve the country today; and

WHEREAS, The Constitution was intended to achieve six purposes: "to form a more perfect Union, establish Justice, insure domestic Tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general Welfare, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity"; and

WHEREAS, The Founders secured the principles expressed in the Declaration of Independence by establishing a government that derives its power from the consent of the American people. The government established by the Constitution formed a remarkably resilient structure, balancing necessary authority with inherent freedoms, national unity with individual rights, and Federal interests with State powers; and

WHEREAS, On this week we should remember those who have made sacrifices to defend the Constitution of the United States for over two centuries, for it is this patriotism that we enjoy unprecedented freedoms and opportunities; and

WHEREAS, It is fitting and proper to officially recognize our Constitution, with the Bill of Rights and amendments, which has withstood the test of time, steering our Country through times of prosperity and peace, and guiding us through the depths of internal conflict and war; and

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Legislature, does hereby proclaim September 17 - 23, 2024 to be Constitution Week in Rensselaer County, and ask our citizens to reaffirm the ideals the Framers of the Constitution recognized in 1787; 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 Van Rensselaer Chapter of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

August 13, 2024

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

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

Sent To: Rules & Legislative Operations

Committee

Date August 13, 2024

Resolution No. P/345/24

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE 2024 VAN RENSSELAER AWARD RECIPIENTS

WHEREAS, A community is only as great as its members who provide exemplary leadership and service and who, through personal and professional dedication, contribute to the fabric and climate of Rensselaer County; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such duty and fully in accord with its longstanding traditions, it is the intent of this Legislative Body to convey its compliments to Sunmark Credit Union, Troy Waterfront Farmers Market, and former Chamber Board Member and Treasurer Regina Scarano LaGatta as the 2024 recipients of the Van Rensselaer Awards; and

WHEREAS, For more than 30 years, the Rensselaer County Regional Chamber of Commerce has recognized businesses that invest in the economic, cultural, and humanitarian advancement of the county by bestowing the Van Rensselaer Awards and the Edward H. Pattison Citizenship Award; and

WHEREAS, Sunmark Credit Union is the recipient of the 2024 Van Rensselaer Corporate Award. Sunmark has been dedicated to committing to the philosophy of "People Helping People" and has done so for over 90 years. While maintaining significant partnerships with families, individuals and various businesses, Sunmark also gives back to the community through the Sunmark Charitable Community Foundation. While supporting local, non-profit organizations in a 14-county area, the foundation focuses on affordable housing, food accessibility, financial literacy, diversity and inclusion, and community development. There are no administrative costs, allowing an entire donation to go to those in need; and

WHEREAS, Troy Waterfront Farmers Market is the recipient of the 2024 Van Rensselaer Small Business Award. The Farmers Market's mission is to create and operate a producer-only, year-round, and independent marketplace that features food and products that are locally grown and made. Diverse vendors, including farmers, artisans, and makers, are gathered by manager Steve Ridler and his teams, ensuring fresh products to every member of the community. After 25 years, the Farmers Market continues to bring enjoyment to families in the community; and

WHEREAS, Former Chamber Board Member and Treasurer Regina Scarano LaGatta is the recipient of the 2024 Edward H. Pattison Citizenship Award, also known as "The Ebbie". As a longtime supporter of the Chamber, Regina helped spearhead the award-winning Leadership Institute Program. She has had a career in non-profit and higher education in advancement, external affairs, and government relations. Additionally, over a span of 40 years, she has impacted many members of the community, including families at the YMCA of the Capital Region, advanced manufacturing students at Hudson Valley Community College, and special education students at the Center for Disability Services; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That in accordance with the tradition of this Legislative Body to recognize those individuals whose superior achievements have contributed to the vitality of this community, we hereby extend grateful appreciation to Sunmark Credit Union, the Troy Waterfront Farmers Market, and former Chamber Board Member and Treasurer Regina Scarano LaGatta; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Legislature is hereby directed to transmit an engrossed copy of this resolution to Sunmark Credit Union, the Troy Waterfront Farmers Market, and former Chamber Board Member and Treasurer Regina Scarano LaGatta.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

August 13, 2024

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

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

Sent To: Rules & Legislative Operations

Committee

Date August 13, 2024

Resolution No. P/346/24

RESOLUTION DECLARING THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2024 IN RENSSELAER COUNTY AS A MONTH OF REMEMBRANCE

WHEREAS, The nation changed forever on September 11, 2001. Many Americans remember a country before and a country after, and for many young Americans, only a country after; and

WHEREAS, Terrorist attacks causing tragic loss of life at the World Trade Center in New York City, the Pentagon in sight of the nation's capital, and a quiet field in southern Pennsylvania led to conversations and reflection on American identity, patriotism, security, and service that resonate today; and

WHEREAS, This year marks the Twenty-third Anniversary of September 11, 2001 when four U.S. planes hijacked by terrorists crashed into the World Trade Center, the Pentagon and a field in Pennsylvania killing nearly 3,000 people in a matter of hours; and

WHEREAS, When these dreadful attacks took place, many valiant people from across the nation, including many in Rensselaer County, rushed to offer help, assistance and comfort, which included firefighters, police officers, ambulance crews, emergency services dispatchers, doctors, nurses, emergency service workers and ordinary citizens; and

WHEREAS, For months following September 11, 2001, people came together to grieve family, friends, and strangers. More than 20 years later, we still do. Sometimes called "Patriots Day" or "Day of Remembrance", September 11 has become an annual day for many Americans to remember, reflect, honor, and mourn; and

WHEREAS, It is important that these horrific acts are never forgotten but more importantly, it is vital that America's ability to unite so quickly afterwards in order to aid and comfort those hurting is forever remembered; and

WHEREAS, In honor of the Twenty-third Anniversary of the September 11th attacks, it is our duty as a Nation and a County to promise to always keep in memory the legacy of those who have died and those who have suffered; and

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Legislature does hereby pause in its deliberations for a moment of silence in honor of the many victims of the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Legislature does hereby declare the month of September in Rensselaer County as a month of remembrance to pay tribute to the outstanding sacrifice and service these men and women provide to our communities in times of personal, community and national tragedy, disaster, and mishap.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

August 13, 2024

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

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

Sent To: Rules & Legislative Operations

Committee

Date August 13, 2024

Resolution No. P/347/24

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING SEPTEMBER 2024 AS NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH

WHEREAS, National Preparedness Month is an observance each September to raise awareness about the importance of preparing for disasters and emergencies that could happen at any time; and

WHEREAS, Sponsored by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) within the Department of Homeland Security, National Preparedness Month encourages Americans to take steps to prepare for emergencies in their homes, businesses, schools, and communities; and

WHEREAS, The National Preparedness Goal identifies 32 core capabilities across five mission areas – prevention, protection, mitigation, response and recovery; and

WHEREAS, These capabilities are strategic in nature and are intended to ensure that all operations are comprehensive, synchronized, and mutually supportive; and

WHEREAS, During the month of September, Rensselaer County urges residents to take measures in order to make themselves and their families, and also businesses, better prepared for emergencies; and

WHEREAS, Being prepared includes creating an emergency supply kit containing items that will allow you and your family to survive for at least three days in the event of an emergency, developing a plan that addresses sheltering in place or evacuating the area, staying informed about different threats that could affect your community, and getting involved by training in first aid and emergency response; and

WHEREAS, September is National Preparedness Month and Fire Corps has updated its online National Preparedness Month Resource Center to empower citizens to start preparing now. The Resource Center provides valuable information on a variety of preparedness topics, including hurricane and other weather-related disasters, terrorism, fire safety, and preparedness for individuals with disabilities; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, This Legislative Body hereby recognizes the month of September as National Preparedness Month in Rensselaer County.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

August 13, 2024

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

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

Sent To: Rules & Legislative Operations

Committee

Date August 13, 2024

Resolution No. P/348/24

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING SEPTEMBER AS "CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH" AND "RENSSELAER COUNTY GOES "GOLD" MONTH"

WHEREAS, This Legislative Body has a record of advocating for protection of the health, safety and quality of life of those who live and work in Rensselaer County; and

WHEREAS, The American Cancer Society reports that after accidents, cancer is the second leading cause of death in children ages 1 to 14; and

WHEREAS, Childhood Cancer Awareness Month is an annual international event that takes place in September to raise awareness and support for childhood cancers; and

WHEREAS, The gold ribbon is the international symbol for childhood cancer and many individuals will wear gold or a gold ribbon during the month of September to help raise awareness for pediatric cancer and honor or memorialize the children who have fought this disease; and

WHEREAS, Cancer in children and young people is relatively uncommon compared to adult cancers and can be quite different from cancers affecting adults because they tend to occur in different body parts and respond to treatment differently; and

WHEREAS, Because of major treatment advances in recent decades, 85% of children with cancer will now survive 5 years or more which is a huge increase since the mid-1970s, when the 5-year survival rate was about 58%; and

WHEREAS, Although progress has been made in combating pediatric cancer, many infants, children and teens will suffer from long-term side effects of comprehensive treatment, including secondary cancers; and

WHEREAS, There is significant progress that still must be made with regard to childhood cancer treatment; progress towards an effective treatment is painfully slow with dramatically fewer new FDA approved treatments for childhood cancer approved each year than for cancer in adults; and

WHEREAS, The designation of September as "Childhood Cancer Awareness Month" could increase the rate of early detection, lead to newer and improved treatments, and an overall higher survival rate for children diagnosed with the condition; and

WHEREAS, The County of Rensselaer wishes to support the fight against childhood cancer in any way possible so that we may give any child diagnosed with cancer the best chance possible; and

WHEREAS, "Rensselaer County Goes "Gold" Month" is an initiative intended to raise awareness of the issue of childhood cancers, and the Rensselaer County Legislature would like to support such a campaign to help raise awareness in honor of the young patients, their loved ones, and all those who support them; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, September 2024 is designated "Childhood Cancer Awareness Month" in the County of Rensselaer to promote awareness of pediatric cancer and to support the brave children who battle cancer every day; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Legislature encourages participation in "Go Gold" in September by designating September "Rensselaer County Goes Gold" Month; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That September in "Rensselaer County Goes Gold" Month will be in memory of Sean Jucha.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

August 13, 2024

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

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

Sent To: Rules & Legislative Operations

Committee

Date August 13, 2024

Resolution No. P/349/24

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AUGUST 31, 2024 AS INTERNATIONAL OVERDOSE AWARENESS DAY

WHEREAS, International Overdose Awareness Day spreads the message about the tragedy of drug overdose death and that drug overdose is preventable; and

WHEREAS, This years' theme is "**TOGETHER WE CAN**", highlighting the power of our community when we all stand together; and

WHEREAS, An overdose occurs when a person has more of a drug (or combination of drugs) in their body than the body can cope with; and

WHEREAS, Medication prescribed by your doctor can also cause an overdose. It is important to know the right amount and the right time to take your medication. It is also vital to know what drugs should not be mixed, and to seek help if you feel you are not in control of your drug use; and

WHEREAS, For every drug overdose that results in death, there are many more non-fatal overdoses, each taking an emotional and economic toll on the individual, their family, and the community at large; and

WHEREAS, Overdoses can occur in people who have an addiction to substances as well as those who do not, such as someone accidentally overdosing on prescription opioids after a surgery or an injury, an elderly person consuming too much of a prescribed pain reliever, a teenager experimenting with illegal drugs for the first time or a child ingesting opioid pills or powders from a home medicine cabinet or other storage location; and

WHEREAS, Residents can help prevent overdose deaths by being aware of the signs and knowing how to respond to an overdose. Rensselaer County has taken great measures to educate the public, make Naloxone (Narcan) available for county residents, as well as participate in collaborative efforts resulting in permanent prescription drop box locations and continued drug take back days so residents can dispose of unused medicines and prescription drugs; and

WHEREAS, Our dedicated community members in collaboration with treatment providers work tirelessly to help individuals with substance use disorders recover; and

WHEREAS, Rensselaer County encourages communities to continue to develop and support local coalitions because this epidemic looks different in various parts of the county, and local engagement and leadership is imperative. Rensselaer County gives special recognition to our area volunteer and professional organizations and government agencies involved in the fight against substance use disorders and overdose awareness; and

WHEREAS, The Rensselaer County Legislature remains committed to raising awareness in order to combat the stigma associated with substance use disorders; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Legislature hereby recognizes August 31, 2024 as "Overdose Awareness Day" in Rensselaer County.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

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Resolution No. P/350/24

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING SEPTEMBER 2024 AS NATIONAL RECOVERY MONTH IN RENSSELAER COUNTY

WHEREAS, National Recovery Month is a national observance held every September to celebrate progress in mental health and substance abuse; and

WHEREAS, National Recovery Month aims to send a positive message that people can recover, treatment is effective and prevention does work; and

WHEREAS, This year marks the thirty-third year of National Recovery Month; and

WHEREAS, The theme for National Recovery Month in September 2024 is "Join the Voices for Recovery: Together We Are Stronger". The focus of the month will be on the people who support recovery in society, such as healthcare workers, community leaders, first responders, and advocates; and

WHEREAS, While the theme for Recovery Month changes every year, purple is always the official color; and

WHEREAS, Behavioral health is an essential part of health and overall wellness; and

WHEREAS, Prevention of mental health, gambling and/or substance use disorders work, treatment is effective, and people do recover in our community, state, and nation; and

WHEREAS, The Rensselaer County Department of Mental Health Substance Abuse Prevention Program has provided substance use disorder prevention to the people of Rensselaer County since 1984 with a specialized emphasis directed at decreasing occurrences of under aged drinking and drugging; and

WHEREAS, The Rensselaer County Department of Mental Health has added to its staff a Certified Recovery Peer Engagement Specialist who has personal experience and expertise in addiction services; and

WHEREAS, Addiction crosses economic, education, gender, race, geographic, and age demographics; and

WHEREAS, Emerging research shows that peer support is effective in facilitating recovery from substance use disorders; and

WHEREAS, Addiction, as evidenced by the Heroin/Opiate epidemic, is extremely prevalent in our community; resulting in increased costs for substance use disorder treatment, criminal justice, medical treatment, loss of productivity; and quite sadly the loss of too many lives; and

WHEREAS, We must encourage relatives and friends of people with mental health, gambling, and/or substance use disorders to implement preventive measures, recognize the signs of a problem, and guide those in need to appropriate treatment and recovery support services; and

WHEREAS, Here in Rensselaer County, the Rensselaer County Department of Mental Health as the local government unit continually works to further develop a recovery oriented continuum of care including: medication assisted treatment concurrently provided with counseling, MICA treatment services, increased residential beds, outpatient treatment, peer support, and development of fully integrated ambulatory detox/rehab facilities; and

WHEREAS, Recovery Month highlights and encourages people who have reclaimed their lives and are living happy and healthy lives in long term recovery to celebrate their successes and share them with others in an effort to educate the public that there is a way out from addiction, the Rensselaer County Department of Mental Health invites all residents of Rensselaer County to participate in National Recovery Month, September 2024; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the month of September 2024, be recognized as National Recovery Month in Rensselaer County.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

August 13, 2024

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RESOLUTION TURNING RENSSELAER COUNTY TEAL IN RECOGNITION OF OVARIAN CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, "Turn The Towns Teal" is a national campaign to promote awareness of ovarian cancer, its subtle symptoms and risk factors; and

WHEREAS, Every woman has the risk of developing ovarian cancer. Many women don't seek help until the disease has begun to spread, but if detected at its earliest stage (Stage 1), the five-year survival rate is more than 93%; and approximately 13,270 will die a year; and

WHEREAS, There is no conclusive early detection test for ovarian cancer which is why this awareness campaign is so very critical; and

WHEREAS, Most new cases of ovarian cancer are diagnosed at Stage 3 or later, meaning the cancer has already begun to spread to the lymph nodes and outside of the pelvis; and

WHEREAS, "Turn The Towns Teal" is a national campaign to make women and men aware of ovarian cancer, its subtle symptoms and risk factors since it has been proven that "the earlier the diagnosis, the better the prognosis"; and

WHEREAS, During National Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month in September, volunteers from "Turn the Towns Teal" call attention to this disease by displaying biodegradable, USA-made ribbons in various locations like town centers, businesses, places of worship, neighborhoods and on individual properties; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That September 2024 is hereby proclaimed Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month in Rensselaer County; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Legislature does support the "Turn the Towns Teal" campaign.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

August 13, 2024