

SPECIAL RULES

January 13, 2026

Time Started:

Attendance: Hoffman, Loveridge, Bayly, Fleming, Nichols

Staff:

Agenda

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RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Herrington, Bayly, Sabo

Sent To: Public Works

Committee

Date January 13, 2026

Resolution No. G/6/26

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE SOLE SOURCE STATUS OF VARIOUS VENDORS REPRESENTING MANUFACTURERS OF HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT - HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

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

WHEREAS, The Rensselaer County Highway Department ("Department") has established that various manufacturers of heavy-duty equipment have restricted the distribution of parts and authorized factory service through certain vendors within a reasonable geographic area of the County Highway Department, thereby eliminating any opportunity to obtain competitive quotes for original equipment manufacturer (OEM) parts and authorized service; and

WHEREAS, This restriction of competition within certain geographic areas such as the Capital District has been verified by the various manufacturers listed herein; and

WHEREAS, The Department must maintain its heavy equipment and make repairs to said equipment, often without delay, in order to keep County highways and bridges in good repair for use by our County residents and safeguard the commerce that flows over our highways on a daily basis; and

WHEREAS, It has been established that there is only one source for OEM parts/repairs and manufacturer authorized service for those manufacturers listed below and the Highway Department is subject to the twelve-month estimated annual expenditures listed herein; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Department shall be authorized to obtain OEM parts and repairs, and incidental parts, supplies and labor which are not OEM, but necessary to complete an OEM repair, without submitting additional sole source justification, provided that said parts, supplies and labor do not exceed the quotation guidelines as stipulated in the Rensselaer County Purchasing Procedures; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That subject to annual budgetary limitations within the Highway Department's budget appropriation code DM.5130.04500, and with the total amount to be expended over the life of the agreement not to exceed budgeted appropriations, the aforesaid shall apply to the following manufacturer's authorized dealers within the Capital District for the twelve month period effective January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026:

<u>MANUFACTURER</u>	<u>AUTHORIZED MANUFACTURER'S REPRESENTATIVE</u>	<u>ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF EXPENDITURES</u>
New Holland	Capital Tractor 1135 St. Rt. 29, Greenwich NY	\$15,000.00
Gradall	Alta Equipment Company 17 Northway Ln., Latham NY	\$30,000.00
Everest	Zwack, Inc. P.O. Box 100, Stephentown NY	\$15,000.00
CompuSpread	Zwack, Inc. P.O. Box 100, Stephentown NY	\$10,000.00
Tymetal Corp.	Tymetal Corporation 678 Wilbur Ave, Greenwich NY	\$25,000.00
Viking	T&T Sales, 409-411 Old Niskayuna Rd., Latham NY	\$10,000.00
Kennametal, Inc.	Northern Supply 2959 Ashman Road, Bloomfield, NY	\$15,000.00
Cummins	Cummins Northeast 101 Railroad Ave., Albany, NY	\$10,000.00
Caterpillar	Milton Cat 500 Commerce Dr., Clifton Park, NY	\$15,000.00
Wirtgen America	United Construction & Forestry P.O. Box 433, Clifton Park NY	\$10,000.00
John Deere (Construction Equipment)	United Construction & Forestry P.O. Box 433, Clifton Park NY	\$10,000.00
John Deere (Agricultural Equipment)	United Ag & Turf 11853 State Rt. 40, Schaghticoke, NY	\$10,000.00

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 parts and repair services provided by the above mentioned vendors; and, be it further

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.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

January 13, 2026

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) Hoffman

Sent To: Rules & Legislative Operations

Committee

Date January 13, 2026

Resolution No. P/31/26

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING FEBRUARY 2026 AS BLACK HISTORY MONTH IN RENSSELAER COUNTY

WHEREAS, Black History Month is an annual celebration of achievements by African Americans and a time for recognizing their central role in U.S. history; and

WHEREAS, Historian Carter G. Woodson was a scholar whose dedication to celebrating the historic contributions of Black people led to the establishment of Black History Month. The celebration was meant to encourage Black students to learn more about their heritage. He said "Those who have no record of what their forebearers have accomplished, lose the inspiration"; and

WHEREAS, The celebration in February is set to coincide with the birthdays of President Abraham Lincoln and Frederick Douglass; and

WHEREAS, President Abraham Lincoln signed the 13th Amendment to the United States Constitution on February 1, 1865. This amendment was ratified by the required vote of 27 of the then 36 states in December 1865. The 13th Amendment abolished slavery and involuntary servitude in the United States, with the exception of use as punishment for a crime (penal labor). It was the first of the Reconstruction Amendments, which were passed after the Civil War to address the legal and political status of African Americans; and

WHEREAS, Frederick Douglass escaped slavery in Maryland as a young man and became a leader in the abolitionist movements, advising President Lincoln and President Johnson on the Civil War and Black suffrage. Douglass's courage and passion inspired many civil rights activists and women's rights pioneers; and

WHEREAS, In 1976, President Gerald Ford officially designated February as Black History Month and every president since has issued a statement honoring Black History Month; and

WHEREAS, The theme for 2026 is "A Century of Black History Commemorations" celebrating 100 years of organized observances of Black history. This theme highlights the evolution of Black history observances from Dr. Carter G. Woodson's inaugural Negro History Week in 1926 to the present-day Black History Month; and

WHEREAS, The theme emphasizes the importance of understanding how these commemorations have transformed perceptions of Black individuals and their contributions to history and culture. It encourages reflection on the impact of Black history on modern society and ongoing journey toward equality and recognition. Honoring the past, while looking forward to the future, ensuring that the lessons learned from history continue to inform and inspire future generations; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That this Legislative Body does hereby honor the importance of the contributions of African Americans to our American heritage; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Rensselaer County Legislature does hereby recognize February 2026 to be Black History Month in Rensselaer County.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

January 13, 2026

RENSSELAER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Introduced by Legislator(s) Hoffman

Sent To: Judiciary & Public Safety

Committee

Date January 13, 2026

Resolution No. P/32/26

RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE COUNTY FIRE ADVISORY BOARD

WHEREAS, There is currently a Legislative vacancy for Legislative Liaison(s) on the Rensselaer County Fire Advisory Board; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the following individual(s) be and are hereby appointed, confirmed and ratified in all respects for a term to commence immediately and to expire December 31, 2025

David Valyou	26 Roe Road	Melrose, NY 12121
Mark Lacivita	25 Audrey Lane	Wynantskill, NY 12198
Gary Roberts	16 Crescent Drive	Castleton, NY 12033
Tim Boel	10 Heather Lane	Rensselaer, NY 12144
Seth Tracey	40 Rose Lane	Rensselaer, NY 12144
David Cook	2813 Philips Road	Castleton, NY 12033
William E. Brooking, Jr.	1013 Broadway	Rensselaer, NY 12144
Michael Morin	3353 State Route 67	Buskirk, NY 12028
Tim Haddock	628 Brunswick Road,	Troy NY 12180
Rick Hunt	8 Easy Street	Hoosick Falls, NY 12090
Paul Glasser	99 Glass Lake Road	Averill Park, NY 12018
Erik Denny	10 East Ave	Troy, NY 12180
Chief Richard Celucci	2175 6th Ave	Troy, NY 12180
Legislative Liaisons to the Fire Advisory Board		
William Maloney	Rensselaer County Legislature - Majority Office	
Thomas Grant	Rensselaer County Legislature - Majority Office	
Robert Loveridge	Rensselaer County Legislature - Majority Office	
Mark Fleming	Rensselaer County Legislature - Minority Office	
Carole Weaver	Rensselaer County Legislature - Minority Office	

Resolution **ADOPTED** by the following vote:

Ayes:

Nays:

Abstain:

January 13, 2026