

REGULAR MEETING

DELAWARE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS APRIL 10, 2019

The regular meeting of the Delaware County Board of Supervisors was held Wednesday, April 10, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. in the Supervisors' Room of the Senator Charles D. Cook County Office Building, 111 Main Street, Delhi, New York, Chairman Tina B. Molé presiding.

The Clerk called the roll and all Supervisors were present except Mr. Spaccaferno, Mr. Davis and Mr. Pigford.

Mr. Marshfield offered the invocation.

Mr. Haynes led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Chairman Molé introduced Masonville Deputy Supervisor Betty Scott who is attending in the absence of Mr. Spaccaferno.

The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as presented.

The Clerk noted that all communications received have been referred to the appropriate committees for review.

Chairman Molé granted privilege of the floor to Supervisor Triolo. Mr. Triolo introduced Jim Gray and Rose Post, Advisors of the Delaware County Junior Holstein Club to talk about the Delaware County Dairy Bowl Team. The team won the state contest in January and earned an opportunity to compete at the national contest in Appleton, Wisconsin, in June. Team members are Randall Reinshagen, Devin Kuhn, Lizette Bishop, and Morgan Kuhn.

Dairy Bowl is an activity designed to encourage our young people to increase their dairy knowledge specifically in dairy nutrition, milk quality, herd health, breeding and genetics, marketing, dairy foods, calf raising, and all cattle breeds. Youth learn life skills such as critical thinking, problem solving, team work, communication skills, and independent thinking.

Mr. Gray is on the Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board and stressed that dairy is still alive in Delaware County. When his father purchased their farm in New Kingston in 1948, there were 52 dairy farms in the Town of Middletown—today there are only 2 operating dairy farms. The Delaware County Junior Holstein Club has 72 junior members who participate in many different agricultural activities including showing dairy cattle at the county fair as well as the state fair and national dairy shows. Mr. Gray said he believes that the more our youth are active on the farm and in this type of activity, the more likely they will stay with farming later in life. Ms. Post said she has learned a lot through the Junior Holstein Club and this knowledge has helped her throughout college and back on the home farm.

The juniors are fundraising to cover expenses for the National Convention which will be held June 24-27. Community support is greatly appreciated. Contributions can be mailed to Delaware County Junior Holstein Club, c/o Jim Gray, PO Box 138, New Kingston, NY 12459.

For standing committee reports, Chairman of the Capital Projects Committee Mark Tuthill announced that he has received the schematic design report on the new mental health facility which will be called the Delaware County Behavioral Health Facility. The next step is to have the plans drafted and put out to bid. The electronic version of the report will be sent to all the supervisors.

Mr. Marshfield offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION NO. 52

**TITLE: 2019 BUDGET AMENDMENT
ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDING FOR TAI CHI
FOR ARTHRITIS PROJECT
OFFICE FOR THE AGING**

WHEREAS, the Office for the Aging has been granted \$5,000.00 from CDPHP to expand the agency's existing Tai Chi for Arthritis program for the county's older population; and

WHEREAS, this funding will be used to engage in activities to support health promotion and stay healthy wellness programs.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the 2019 budget be amended as follows:

INCREASE REVENUES:

10-16772-42270607/6772053/977	Grant from Corporations	\$5,000.00
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INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

10-16772-54327000/6772053/977	General Grant Related	\$4,000.00
10-16772-54327625/6772053/977	Travel	\$1,000.00

The resolution was seconded by Mr. Merrill and Mr. Eisel.

Mr. Marshfield stated this is a very popular program and there are over 200 people on the waiting list.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote: Ayes 3715, Noes 0, Absent 1084 (Spaccaferno, Davis, Pigford).

Mr. Marshfield offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION NO. 53

**TITLE: 2019 BUDGET AMENDMENT
ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDING FOR TAI CHI FOR
ARTHRITIS PROJECT
OFFICE FOR THE AGING**

WHEREAS, the Office for the Aging has been granted \$7,000.00 from the Delaware County Rural Healthcare Alliance to expand the agency's existing Tai Chi for Arthritis program for the county's older population; and

WHEREAS, this funding will be used to engage in activities to support health promotion and stay healthy wellness programs.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the 2019 budget be amended as follows:

INCREASE REVENUES:

10-16772-42270603/6772054/977	Grant from Local Sources	\$7,000.00
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INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

10-16772-54327000/6772054/977	General Grant Related	\$4,400.00
10-16772-54327625/6772054/977	Grant Related Travel	2,600.00

The resolution was seconded by Mr. Merrill and adopted by the following vote: Ayes 3715, Noes 0, Absent 1084 (Spaccaferno, Davis, Pigford).

Mr. Marshfield offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION NO. 54

**TITLE: 2019 BUDGET AMENDMENT
ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDING FOR MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION
OFFICE FOR THE AGING**

WHEREAS, the Office for the Aging has been granted \$20,000.00 from Rural Health Network of South Central New York to expand the agency's existing non-emergency medical transportation program for the county's older population; and

WHEREAS, this funding will be used to increase the number of non-emergency medical transportation trips for the county's older population; and

WHEREAS, the non-emergency medical transportation program utilizes volunteer drivers to provide the transportation; and

WHEREAS, there is an inadequate number of volunteers available to handle an increased number of transportation services; and

WHEREAS, no additional staff will be hired to operate this program; and

WHEREAS, funding received is to compensate for personnel time involved with processing an increased number of transportation requests; and

WHEREAS, funding received is to compensate for advertising expenses for volunteer recruitment and for general program promotional expenses; and

WHEREAS, the grant is awarded to specifically cover personnel costs incurred from screening and processing additional medical transportation requests, and with no additional staff being hired to run the program, existing budgeted personnel monies will be available to spend on actual medical transportation services by transferring these monies to the additional Contracted Services Transportation budget line.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the 2019 budget be amended as follows:

INCREASE REVENUES:

10-16772-42270602/6772055/977	Grants from Nonprofit	\$20,000.00
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INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

10-16772-51327000/6772055/977	Personal Services Grant Related	\$19,066.00
10-16772-54327105/6772055/977	Grant Advertising	\$934.00

TRANSFER FROM:

10-16772-51000000	Personal Services	\$19,066.00
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TRANSFER TO:

10-16772-54200032	Contracted Services Transportation	\$19,066.00
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The resolution was seconded by Mr. Triolo

Mr. Marshfield stated this resolution allows Office for the Aging to reimburse mileage to volunteers. Director of Office for the Aging Wayne Shepard added that this funding expands non-emergency medical transportation to take Delaware County seniors to medical appointments.

In answer to Mr. Merrill, Mr. Shepard said the grant advertising is used to promote for more volunteers.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote: Ayes 3715, Noes 0, Absent 1084

(Spaccaforno, Davis, Pigford).

Mr. Merrill offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION NO. 55
TITLE: 2019 BUDGET AMENDMENT
PAYMENT OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTE
TREASURER'S OFFICE

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 174 adopted on October 11, 2017 authorized the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$6,000,000 for the construction of emergency communication towers in Delaware County; and

WHEREAS, a Bond Anticipation Note (BAN) was issued in the amount of \$6,000,000 which is payable; and

WHEREAS, in order to save the County money, it was determined to only issue \$4,995,000 in serial bonds; and

WHEREAS, the payment for the interest of the BAN was included in the 2019 Budget; and

WHEREAS, the proceeds from the Bond and a transfer from the General Fund reserve is necessary to pay the principal of the BAN.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the 2019 Budget be amended as follows:

DECREASE FUND BALANCE:

10-00000-34917000	Unassigned Fund Balance	\$1,005,000.00
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INCREASE APPROPRIATION:

10-19730-56630000	BAN Principal	\$1,005,000.00
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INCREASE REVENUE:

10-19710-45571000	Serial Bond	\$4,995,000.00
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INCREASE APPROPRIATION:

10-19730-56630000	BAN Principal	\$4,995,000.00
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The resolution was seconded by Mr. Gladstone and adopted by the following vote: Ayes 3715, Noes 0, Absent 1084 (Spaccaforno, Davis, Pigford).

Mr. Triolo offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION NO. 56

**TITLE: OCCUPANCY TAX DISBURSEMENT APPROVAL
DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

WHEREAS, Local Law No. 13 of 2015 established a Hotel Occupancy Tax in Delaware County for the purpose of promoting the tourism industry in Delaware County; and

WHEREAS, the Law stipulates that revenues derived from the occupancy tax are to be allocated for the promotion and development of the tourism industry in Delaware County; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Law, Delaware County established and empowered the Tourism Advisory Board to solicit, review and recommend proposals for the use of the funds raised from the occupancy tax for the promotion and development of the tourism industry in Delaware County; and

WHEREAS, the Tourism Advisory Board received and reviewed 60 proposals for use of occupancy tax revenues under the tourism promotion and development grant program and has recommended 44 proposals totaling \$104,831.70 for approval by the Delaware County Board of Supervisors.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Delaware County Board of Supervisors approves the recommendations of the Tourism Advisory Board regarding projects to be funded through occupancy tax revenues for 2019.

The resolution was seconded by Mr. Valente.

Mr. Triolo referenced the list of suggested proposals from the Tourism Advisory Board and said considerable time went into the selections.

Mr. Merrill added that there were a lot more proposals than available funding.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote: Ayes 3715, Noes 0, Absent 1084 (Spaccaforno, Davis, Pigford).

Mr. Ellis introduced Local Laws 3 through 20 of 2019 which were seconded by Mr. Eisel.

LOCAL LAW INTRO NO. 3

TITLE: SALARY INCREASE COUNTY ATTORNEY

Section 1. The salary of Amy Merklen, County Attorney shall be One hundred-nine thousand, nine hundred forty-two dollars [\$109,942] per annum effective January 1, 2019.

Section 2. This Local Law shall be subject to permissive referendum according to the provisions of Section 24 of the Municipal Home Rule Law.

Section 3. This Law shall take effect forty-five (45) days after it shall be adopted.

LOCAL LAW INTRO NO. 4

TITLE: SALARY INCREASE DIRECTOR COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

Section 1. The salary of Cynthia Heaney, Director Community Mental Health Services shall be Ninety-seven thousand, six hundred twenty-one dollars [\$97,621] per annum effective January 1, 2019.

Section 2. This Local Law shall be subject to permissive referendum according to the provisions of Section 24 of the Municipal Home Rule Law.

Section 3. This Law shall take effect forty-five (45) days after it shall be adopted.

LOCAL LAW INTRO NO. 5

TITLE: SALARY INCREASE ELECTION COMMISSIONER

Section 1. The salary of Maria Kelso, Election Commissioner shall be Twenty-three thousand, seven hundred seventy-eight dollars [\$23,778] per annum effective January 1, 2019.

Section 2. This Local Law shall be subject to permissive referendum according to the provisions of Section 24 of the Municipal Home Rule Law.

Section 3. This Law shall take effect forty-five (45) days after it shall be adopted.

LOCAL LAW INTRO NO. 6

TITLE: SALARY INCREASE ELECTION COMMISSIONER

Section 1. The salary of Judith Garrison, Election Commissioner shall be Twenty-three thousand, seven hundred seventy-eight dollars [\$23,778] per annum effective January 1, 2019.

Section 2. This Local Law shall be subject to permissive referendum according to the provisions of Section 24 of the Municipal Home Rule Law.

Section 3. This Law shall take effect forty-five (45) days after it shall be adopted.

LOCAL LAW INTRO NO. 7

TITLE: SALARY INCREASE DIRECTOR REAL PROPERTY TAX SERVICES II

Section 1. The salary of Michael Sabansky, Director of Real Property Tax Services II shall be Sixty-five thousand, eight hundred seventy-five dollars [\$65,875] per annum effective January 1, 2019.

Section 2. This Local Law shall be subject to permissive referendum according to the provisions of Section 24 of the Municipal Home Rule Law.

Section 3. This Law shall take effect forty-five (45) days after it shall be adopted.

LOCAL LAW INTRO NO. 8

TITLE: SALARY INCREASE PERSONNEL OFFICER

Section 1. The salary of Linda Pinner, Personnel Officer shall be Seventy thousand dollars [\$70,000] per annum effective January 1, 2019.

Section 2. This Local Law shall be subject to permissive referendum according to the provisions of Section 24 of the Municipal Home Rule Law.

Section 3. This Law shall take effect forty-five (45) days after it shall be adopted.

LOCAL LAW INTRO NO. 9

TITLE: SALARY INCREASE DIRECTOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Section 1. The salary of Glenn Nealis, Director Economic Development shall be Eighty-two thousand, six hundred eighty-three dollars [\$82,683] per annum effective January 1, 2019.

Section 2. This Local Law shall be subject to permissive referendum according to the provisions of Section 24 of the Municipal Home Rule Law.

Section 3. This Law shall take effect forty-five (45) days after it shall be adopted.

LOCAL LAW INTRO NO. 10

TITLE: SALARY INCREASE DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Section 1. The salary of Joseph deMauro, Director of Information Technology shall be Eighty-three thousand, nine hundred forty-four dollars [\$83,944] per annum effective January 1, 2019.

Section 2. This Local Law shall be subject to permissive referendum according to the provisions of Section 24 of the Municipal Home Rule Law.

Section 3. This Law shall take effect forty-five (45) days after it shall be adopted.

LOCAL LAW INTRO NO. 11

TITLE: SALARY INCREASE DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES

Section 1. The salary of Stephen Hood, Director of Emergency Services shall be Sixty-two thousand, five hundred ninety-one dollars [\$62,591] per annum effective January 1, 2019.

Section 2. This Local Law shall be subject to permissive referendum according to the provisions of Section 24 of the Municipal Home Rule Law.

Section 3. This Law shall take effect forty-five (45) days after it shall be adopted.

LOCAL LAW INTRO NO. 12

TITLE: SALARY INCREASE COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL SERVICES

Section 1. The salary of Dana Scuderi-Hunter, Commissioner of Social Services shall be Ninety-six thousand, two hundred fifty-four dollars [\$96,254] per annum effective January 1, 2019.

Section 2. This Local Law shall be subject to permissive referendum according to the provisions of Section 24 of the Municipal Home Rule Law.

Section 3. This Law shall take effect forty-five (45) days after it shall be adopted.

LOCAL LAW INTRO NO. 13

TITLE: SALARY INCREASE COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS

Section 1. The salary of Susan McIntyre, Commissioner of Public Works shall be Ninety-two, thousand, one hundred fifty-seven dollars [\$92,157] per annum effective January 1, 2019.

Section 2. This Local Law shall be subject to permissive referendum according to the provisions of Section 24 of the Municipal Home Rule Law.

Section 3. This Law shall take effect forty-five (45) days after it shall be adopted.

LOCAL LAW INTRO NO. 14

TITLE: SALARY INCREASE PUBLIC HEALTH DIRECTOR

Section 1. The salary of Amanda Walsh, Public Health Director shall be Eighty-nine thousand, seven hundred thirteen dollars [\$89,713] per annum effective January 1, 2019.

Section 2. This Local Law shall be subject to permissive referendum according to the provisions of Section 24 of the Municipal Home Rule Law.

Section 3. This Law shall take effect forty-five (45) days after it shall be adopted.

LOCAL LAW INTRO NO. 15

TITLE: SALARY INCREASE COUNTY PLANNING DIRECTOR

Section 1. The salary of Shelly Johnson-Bennett, County Planning Director shall be Seventy-nine thousand, three hundred fifty-eight dollars [\$79,358] per annum effective January 1, 2019.

Section 2. This Local Law shall be subject to permissive referendum according to the provisions of Section 24 of the Municipal Home Rule Law.

Section 3. This Law shall take effect forty-five (45) days after it shall be adopted.

LOCAL LAW INTRO NO. 16

TITLE: SALARY INCREASE DIRECTOR OFFICE FOR THE AGING

Section 1. The salary of Wayne Shepard, Director Office of the Aging shall be Seventy-three thousand, eight hundred twenty-three dollars [\$73,823] per annum effective January 1, 2019.

Section 2. This Local Law shall be subject to permissive referendum according to the provisions of Section 24 of the Municipal Home Rule Law.

Section 3. This Law shall take effect forty-five (45) days after it shall be adopted.

LOCAL LAW INTRO NO. 17

TITLE: SALARY INCREASE DIRECTOR VETERANS SERVICE AGENCY

Section 1. The salary of Charles Piper, Director Veterans Service Agency shall be Forty-eight thousand three hundred fifty-nine dollars [\$48,359] per annum effective January 1, 2019.

Section 2. This Local Law shall be subject to permissive referendum according to the provisions of Section 24 of the Municipal Home Rule Law.

Section 3. This Law shall take effect forty-five (45) days after it shall be adopted.

LOCAL LAW INTRO NO. 18

TITLE: SALARY INCREASE COUNTY TREASURER

Section 1. The salary of Beverly Shields, County Treasurer shall be Sixty-eight thousand, six hundred fourteen dollars [\$68,614] per annum effective January 1, 2019.

Section 2. This Local Law shall be subject to permissive referendum according to the provisions of Section 24 of the Municipal Home Rule Law.

Section 3. This Law shall take effect forty-five (45) days after it shall be adopted.

LOCAL LAW INTRO NO. 19

TITLE: SALARY INCREASE DELAWARE COUNTY SHERIFF

Section 1. The salary of Sheriff Craig DuMond shall be Seventy-six thousand, eight hundred seven dollars [\$76,807] per annum effective January 1, 2019.

Section 2. This Local Law shall be subject to permissive referendum according to the provisions of Section 24 of the Municipal Home Rule Law.

Section 3. This Law shall take effect forty-five (45) days after it shall be adopted.

LOCAL LAW INTRO NO. 20

TITLE: SALARY INCREASE COUNTY CLERK

Section 1. The salary of Debra Goodrich, County Clerk shall be Sixty-eight thousand, six hundred fourteen dollars [\$68,614] per annum effective January 1, 2019.

Section 2. This Local Law shall be subject to permissive referendum according to the provisions of Section 24 of the Municipal Home Rule Law.

Section 3. This Law shall take effect forty-five (45) days after it shall be adopted.

Mr. Ellis offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION NO. 57

**TITLE: PUBLIC HEARING
LOCAL LAW INTRO. NOS. 3 THROUGH 20 OF 2019**

WHEREAS, Local Law Intro. Nos. 3 through 20 have been introduced to increase the 2019 salaries of:

Non-Elected: Amy Merklen, County Attorney; Cynthia Heaney, Director Community Mental Health Services; Maria Kelso, Commissioner Board of Elections; Judith Garrison, Commissioner Board of Elections; Michael Sabansky, Director Real Property Tax Services II; Linda Pinner, Personnel Officer; Glenn Nealis, Director Economic Development; Joseph deMauro, Director of Information Technology; Stephen Hood, Director of Emergency Services; Dana Scuderi-Hunter, Commissioner Department of Social Services; Susan McIntyre, Commissioner of Public Works; Amanda Walsh, Public Health Director; Shelly Johnson-Bennett, County Planning Director; Wayne Shepard, Director Office for the Aging; Charles Piper, Director Veterans Service Agency.

Elected: Beverly Shields, Treasurer; Craig DuMond, County Sheriff; Debra Goodrich, County Clerk.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that a public hearing be held on Local Law Intro. Nos. 3 through 20 on the 24th day of April 2019 at 12:45 p.m. in the Supervisors' Room of the Senator Charles D. Cook County Office Building, 111 Main Street, Delhi, New York.

The resolution was seconded by Mr. Tuthill and unanimously adopted.

Chairman Molé reminded the Board that the Public Hearing will be held before the next Board meeting, April 24, at 12:45 p.m.

Mr. Triolo offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION NO. 58

**TITLE: OPPOSITION TO NY SENATE BILL S2837 TO
ENACT THE FARMWORKERS FAIR LABOR PRACTICES ACT
DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

WHEREAS, Senate bill S2837 has been introduced by Senator Jessica Ramos, 13th District, Chair of the Committee of Fair Labor; and

WHEREAS; Senate bill S2837 is currently in committee for the 2019-2020 session; and

WHEREAS, Senate bill S2837 proposes to enact the farmworkers fair labor practices

act, granting collective bargaining rights, workers' compensation and unemployment benefits to farmworkers; and

WHEREAS, Senate bill S2837 includes provisions for collective bargaining rights, requires 24 hours of consecutive rest each week, provides for an 8-hour work day, requires overtime rate at one and one-half times normal rate, applies provisions of unemployment insurance law and sanitary code for migrant workers, and requires workers compensation benefits and claims for all farm laborers; and

WHEREAS, Senate bill S2837 applies to all agricultural operations regardless of scale and size, number of employees without a provision for exemption for small scale, family farms; and

WHEREAS, the Delaware County Agriculture & Farmland Protection Board and the Delaware County Farm Bureau have expressed concern over the impacts of the proposed legislations on the already struggling agricultural industry within Delaware County and rural NY State; and

WHEREAS, agriculture is a primary economic driver in Delaware County, experiencing a transition of farm operations, what commodities are being produced and how commodities are being marketed, often with marginal returns on investment as these transitions take place; and

WHEREAS, agriculture, unlike other industries, is driven by weather, season and availability of resources to gain the greatest value for production. These factors drive the length of the work day, the amount of hired labor needed and the duration of production periods; and

WHEREAS, smaller family-operated farms have traditionally been a source of seasonal income for local residents, migrant workers and our youth, providing much needed supplemental household income; and

WHEREAS, the legislation as proposed does not consider the unique characteristics of farming, the limitations of growing seasons, and the overall impact on the local economy as a result of onerous labor laws that will jeopardize the already fragile agricultural economy in New York State.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Delaware County Board of Supervisors officially opposes the consideration of Senate Bill S2837 in its current form.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors forward copies of this resolution to Senator James L. Seward, Senator Fred Akshar, II, Senator Jen Metzger, Assemblyman Clifford W. Crouch, Assemblyman Brian D. Miller, and Assemblyman Chris Tague.

The resolution was seconded by Mr. Taggart.

Supervisor Marshfield said he strongly opposes this legislation. He stated that he is well aware of the difficulties farmers have had for decades and this legislation will devastate our farmers and we will continue to run the cycle of losing farms. Being raised on a dairy farm he knows all too well that Mother Nature governs the work day. Bad weather makes for a short day and the next day means a longer day to make up for the short day. In addition, equipment breakdowns, animal birthing or sickness, supply shortages, and family issues all make for an erratic workday—workdays that are one way or another altered in length.

There will be risk of farmworkers leaving the state if they are restricted to a specific workday of 40 hours at minimum wage. Farmworkers may be forced to go to other states that allow them to work unlimited hours for more pay. New York farmers will not be able to compete nationally or globally with this law. Downstate legislatures don't understand the reality of the situation.

He noted that with this law in effect, a Farm Credit East report estimates that vegetable growers will experience a 43% increase in costs, nursery operations will experience a 58% increase, fruit growers a 74% increase and dairy farms will experience a 101% increase in costs. Imagine dealing with this law in a time when dairy farmers' costs already outweigh the pitiful milk prices. End result, we lose more dairy farms and our county economy suffers yet another blow. He urged Board members to oppose this legislation and let our representatives know this is wrong and not appropriate for Delaware County.

Mr. Gladstone agreed with Mr. Marshfield in that this legislation will help promote choking farming to death.

Chairman Molé said this resolution will be sent to our state legislators. She announced that Senator Metzger is conducting a listening tour specifically on this bill. Senator Metzger chairs the Senate Agriculture Committee and is very interested to hear thoughts on this proposed legislation.

Mr. Taggart opined that more regulations put on farmers continues to hurt their bottom line. Many farmers don't take a weekly salary and are left with very little after expenses are paid. This regulation is more of starving out agriculture. The biggest problem between agriculture and consumers is there is no connection anymore. Consumers believe that as long as food is on the shelf, then there's no problem. There is a problem. There are roughly 90 farms in the County and without these farms our tax base will disappear and we will become a tourist county.

Mr. Marshfield pointed out that this legislation is coming out of a labor committee and not from the ag committee. The legislator who proposed this legislation is from Queens with labor committee members from Staten Island, Long Island, Manhattan, White Plains, Brooklyn, Valley Stream and New York City. These downstate Senators simply do not understand agriculture or the dairy industry. There is an attitude that the stores are full so we don't need

farms.

Mr. Triolo restated that this legislation will affect all of agriculture. It is unfortunate that some of our downstate legislatures think that we are corporate farms but this will seriously affect our small farms.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

Chairman Molé waived Board Rule 10 to permit the introduction without objection of the following not-prefiled resolutions.

Mr. Triolo offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION NO. 59

**TITLE: 2019 BUDGET AMENDMENT
TRANSFER OF FUNDS
DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

WHEREAS, the net sum of \$204,663.39 received by the Hotel Occupancy Tax activity during 2018 was set aside and placed into the Restricted Fund Balance as of 12/31/2018 for the purpose of promotion and development of the tourism industry in Delaware County; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 56 of 2019 the Board of Supervisors approved the list of tourism promotion and development grant projects to be funded with the 2018 Hotel Occupancy Tax revenues and the funding of the approved contracts requires such revenues to be transferred from the restricted fund balance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the 2019 Budget be amended as follows:

INCREASE REVENUE:

10-00000-34899000	Restricted Fund Balance Hotel Occupancy Tax	\$104,831.70
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INCREASE APPROPRIATION:

10-16410-54614000	Tourism Development Promotion	\$104,831.70
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The resolution was seconded by Mr. Merrill and Mr. Taggart and adopted by the following vote: Ayes 3715, Noes 0, Absent 1084 (Spaccaforno, Davis, Pigford).

Supervisor Taggart thanked the Economic Development Committee, Mr. Triolo, Mr. Merrill and Mr. Ploutz for their efforts and time on this endeavor to support the economy in Delaware County.

Mr. Merrill offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION NO. 60

TITLE: SALE OF TAX ACQUIRED PROPERTY

RESOLVED that the following described parcels of tax acquired property be sold to the parties indicated for the price herein stated and the County Treasurer is authorized to execute and deliver deed, therefor, and to cancel all Delaware County tax liens thereon, upon receipt of cash consideration hereinafter set forth.

HAN16TX.021

ASSESSED TO: **JAMES J COSTOLNICK**

TOWN OF: 123601:HANCOCK
TAX MAP NO: 429.17-2-23
SCHOOL DISTRICT: 123606:HANCOCK
ACREAGE: 49.5'F x 125'D: 0.13A ACRES
CONVEYED TO: JACKIE PARK ALBAUM AND JASON ALBAUM
26 LOWELL TERRACE
BLOOMFIELD NJ 07003

CASH CONSIDERATION: \$16,758.55
EXPENSE-COMMISSION \$1,500.00
VILLAGE SHARE \$2,700.00
COUNTY SHARE \$10,800.00

TAX DEFICIT: \$10,551.75

HAN16TX.036

ASSESSED TO: **THEODORE J FATTA AND KATHLEEN A CANAPE**

TOWN OF: 123601:HANCOCK
TAX MAP NO: 428.16-2-3
SCHOOL DISTRICT: 123606:HANCOCK
ACREAGE: 195'F x 278'D: 0.25A ACRES
CONVEYED TO: JOSEPH KLIMCHOK
3261 FRENCH WOOD ROAD
HANCOCK NY 13783

CASH CONSIDERATION: \$11,905.18
VILLAGE SHARE \$2,500.00
COUNTY SHARE \$7,500.00

TAX DEFICIT: \$13,045.81

The resolution was seconded by Mr. Gladstone and adopted by the following vote: Ayes 3715, Noes 0, Absent 1084 (Spaccaferno, Davis, Pigford).

Mr. Merrill offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION NO. 61

TITLE: PAYMENT OF AUDIT

WHEREAS, bills and claims submitted and duly audited by the Clerk of the Board’s office in the amount of \$2,689,251.31 are hereby presented to the Board of Supervisors for approval of payment;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the County Treasurer be directed to pay said expenditures as listed below:

General Fund	\$1,972,087.11
OET	\$48,331.83
Public Safety Comm System	\$77,197.63
CAP 97-Main Street	\$0.00
Highway Audits, as Follows:	
Weights and Measures	\$0.00
Landfill	\$118,927.81
Road	\$23,135.81
Machinery	\$374,571.12
Capital Road & Bridge	\$75,000.00
Capital Solid Waste	\$0.00

The resolution was seconded by Mr. Marshfield and adopted by the following vote: Ayes 3715, Noes 0, Absent 1084 (Spaccaferno, Davis, Pigford).

Chairman Molé announced that a Legislative Committee meeting would be held directly after today’s Board Meeting.

Supervisor Vernold questioned why the County phone numbers are not included in the Hancock phone directory and noted they are not listed in the Walton phone directory either. Ms. Schafer confirmed there are issues with the County phone numbers being incorrectly listed in local phone books and said it has been an ongoing problem.

Mr. Marshfield announced that all Supervisors received a handout from the Youth Bureau regarding the 2019 Summer Youth Employment program. Participation questionnaire forms need to be completed and submitted to Lara Yambor at the Youth Bureau before April 26.

Mr. Ellis offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION NO. 62

TITLE: EXECUTIVE SESSION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Delaware County Board of Supervisors convene in executive session to discuss personnel matters.

The resolution was seconded by Mr. Merrill and Mr. Tuthill and unanimously adopted.

The meeting reconvened in regular session with all Supervisors present except Mr. Spaccaforo, Mr. Davis and Mr. Pigford.

Upon a motion by Mr. Merrill and seconded by Mr. Gladstone, the meeting was adjourned at 2:35 p.m.