

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

DELAWARE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

JANUARY 8, 2020

The Organizational Meeting of the Delaware County Board of Supervisors was held Wednesday, January 8, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. in the Supervisors' Room of the Senator Charles D. Cook County Office Building, 111 Main Street, Delhi, New York.

The Clerk of the Board, Christa M. Schafer, called the meeting to order and read the Notice of Meeting:

TO ALL SUPERVISORS:

Pursuant to County Law §151 and Board Rule 1, the Organizational Meeting of the Delaware County Board of Supervisors will be held in the Supervisors' Room of the Senator Charles D. Cook County Office Building, 111 Main Street, Delhi, New York, on Wednesday, January 8, 2020 at 1:00 p.m.

The meeting is called for the purpose of organizing for the year 2020, including the election of a Chairman, Vice Chairman, Clerk of the Board, County Attorney and Budget Officer.

Any other business that may properly be brought before the Board will be conducted.

Christa M. Schafer, Clerk
Delaware County Board of Supervisors

The Clerk called the roll by towns and the following Supervisors were present:

Wayland Gladstone	PO Box 125	Andes
Tina Molé	PO Box 6, Bovina Center	Bovina
Arthur Merrill	72 Tannery Road, Downsville	Colchester
Dennis J. Valente	11790 State Highway 23, Davenport Center	Davenport
Mark Tuthill	5 Elm Street	Delhi
Thomas Axtell	3 Elm Street	Deposit
Jeffrey Taggart	511 Heathen Hill Road	Franklin
Wayne E. Marshfield	6754 Basin Clove Road	Hamden
Jerry Vernold	140 East Main Street	Hancock
James E. Eisel, Sr.	22 Wilcox Road	Harpersfield
George Haynes, Jr.	51971 State Hwy 10, Bloomville	Kortright
Betty L. Scott	PO Box 313	Masonville
James G. Ellis	4187 Turnpike Road, Delhi	Meredith
Carl P. Davis	PO Box 577, Margaretville	Middletown
Allen R. Hinkley	53690 State Highway 30	Roxbury

R. Eugene Pigford	44 Grand Street	Sidney
John S. Kosier	PO Box M, Hobart	Stamford
William Layton	PO Box 139, Trout Creek	Tompkins
Joseph Cetta	129 North Street	Walton

Mr. Marshfield offered the invocation.

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

The Clerk requested nominations for Chairman.

Mr. Merrill nominated Tina Molé. The nomination was seconded by Mr. Eisel and Mr. Davis.

Mr. Gladstone nominated Wayne Marshfield. The nomination was seconded by Mr. Valente.

Mr. Eisel moved to close the nominations.

Upon a vote by a show of hands, Tina Molé was re-elected as Chairman of the Board with two dissenting (Gladstone, Marshfield).

County Clerk Deb Goodrich administered the Oath of Office to Ms. Molé.

Upon a nomination by Mr. Davis, seconded by Mr. Pigford and Mr. Vernold, Mark Tuthill was unanimously re-elected as Vice Chairman.

Upon a nomination by Mr. Eisel, seconded by Mr. Merrill, Christa M. Schafer was unanimously re-elected as Clerk of the Board.

Upon a nomination by Mr. Davis, seconded by Mr. Eisel, Amy Merklen was re-elected as County Attorney with two opposed (Gladstone, Marshfield).

Upon a nomination by Mr. Gladstone, seconded by Mr. Eisel, Arthur Merrill was unanimously re-elected as Budget Officer.

Chairman Molé thanked her colleagues for their support and to all the County employees for their hard work during the past year and stated that 2019 was a success for Delaware County. The goals this Board set out to do last January have been met. The County is on track to bid the new Mental Health facility in Walton this winter with construction to begin in the spring. We established a public defender's office, renovated space at 97 Main Street and that office is now fully staffed and operational. The new elevator at 97 Main Street will be completed by the end of this month. Delaware County DPW committee and staff under Sue McIntyre's leadership spent the entire 2019 diligently seeking sites for our new highway facility. It is anticipated that a presentation will be given at the January 22 Board of Supervisors meeting on a hybrid location proposal. And last but not least, the Board of Supervisors has kept the County budget at less

than a 2 percent increase for the last three years. This is a direct result of the Supervisors working closely with their committees and employees to keep costs down while maintaining efficiency which is no small task. Two thousand twenty in Delaware County is bright. The County will move forward on two major construction projects as well as relocate the Board of Elections and the Veterans Service Office.

Ms. Molé welcomed the three new supervisors and said she looks forward to this year.

Chairman Molé made the following committee appointments:

AGRICULTURAL AND FARMLAND PROTECTION BOARD

4-year term ending December 31, 2023

Appoint:

Sherrri Falcone, Real Property Tax Director

Reappoint:

Supervisor Dennis Valente

COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD

4-year term ending December 31, 2023

Reappoint:

Sarah Nagy-Fleischmann

DELAWARE COUNTY PLANNING BOARD

3-year term ending December 31, 2022

Reappoint:

William Outsens

Matthew Gray

HEALTH SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD

2-year term ending December 31, 2021

Appoint:

Terri Whitney, Office for the Aging Director

Reappoint:

Amanda Walsh, Public Health Director

Edward Bartos, NYS DOH

Heather Warner

Kyra Shew

TOURISM ADVISORY BOARD

3-year term ending December 31, 2022

Reappoint:

Supervisor Art Merrill

Liz Callahan

Leland Ploutz

Chairman Molé noted that all standing committees will remain the same until changes are announced at the January 22 Board Meeting.

The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as presented.

The Clerk noted that all communications received have been referred to their respective committees for review.

Chairman of the Capital Projects Committee Mark Tuthill announced that the committee expects to offer a prefiled resolution at the next meeting authorizing them to go out to bid for the Mental Health facility. Complete drawings and specs are being reviewed and other than a few minor tweaks, they are pretty much ready to go.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 1

**TITLE: DESIGNATION OF PUBLICATION
OF LOCAL LAWS AND NOTICES: DEMOCRAT**

WHEREAS, the Democratic Party having designated the Mountain Eagle for the purpose of publishing notices pursuant to County Law 214 (2);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that pursuant to County Law 214 (2) that the Mountain Eagle is designated for the calendar year 2020 to publish local laws and notices.

The resolution was seconded by Mr. Gladstone.

Mr. Marshfield noted there was a change from the Catskill Mountain News to the Mountain Eagle.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 2

**TITLE: DESIGNATION OF PUBLICATION
OF LOCAL LAWS AND NOTICES: REPUBLICAN**

WHEREAS, the Republican Party having designated The Reporter for the purpose of publishing notices pursuant to County Law 214 (2);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that pursuant to County Law 214 (2) that The Reporter is designated for the calendar year 2020 to publish local laws and notices.

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

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

RESOLUTION NO. 3

**TITLE: RE-APPOINTMENT OF ELECTIONS COMMISSIONER
REPUBLICAN**

BE IT RESOLVED that Maria Kelso is hereby reappointed as Elections Commissioner (Republican) for a term of two years effective January 1, 2020 and ending December 31, 2021 at the salary contained in the budget.

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

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

RESOLUTION NO. 4

TITLE: RE-APPOINTMENT DIRECTOR OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

BE IT RESOLVED that Glenn Nealis is hereby reappointed as Director of Economic Development for a term of two years effective January 1, 2020 and ending December 31, 2021 at the salary contained in the budget.

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

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

RESOLUTION NO. 5

TITLE: APPOINTMENT OF COMMISSIONER SOCIAL SERVICES

BE IT RESOLVED that Sylvia Armano be appointed to the position of Commissioner Social Services for a five-year term effective January 1, 2020 and ending December 31, 2024 at the salary of \$93,157.

The resolution was seconded by Mr. Taggart.

Supervisor Marshfield stated the Committee has unanimously agreed that Sylvia should be the County's next Commissioner. She has over 30 years of experience in the department from case worker on up. She has been the deputy commissioner for a number of years and has been the interim commissioner the last several months and has done a splendid job. The Social Services Committee feels that nobody can top her for the position. They will be looking for a deputy commissioner to understudy.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 6

TITLE: APPOINTMENT OF YOUTH BUREAU DIRECTOR

BE IT RESOLVED that Sylvia Armanno is hereby appointed as Youth Bureau Director for a term of one year effective January 1, 2020 and ending December 31, 2020.

The resolution was seconded by Mr. Vernold.

Mr. Marshfield stated that the reason for this resolution is because the Youth Bureau has a number of case workers who work under that budget and the one to direct the case workers would be the commissioner.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 7

TITLE: DESIGNATION OF DEPOSITORY FOR DELAWARE COUNTY FUNDS

BE IT RESOLVED pursuant to Section 212 of the County Law, as amended and now in force, the bank hereinafter specified is hereby designated as a depository for County Funds, together with the maximum amount that may be kept on deposit therein at any one time, and the County Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to deposit County monies in the bank herein designated.

BE IT RESOLVED the County Treasurer is authorized to wire funds and use electronic transfer of funds (ACH) from or to each facility.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that one certified copy of the resolution shall be filed in the office of the County Clerk, one in the office of the State Comptroller and two in the office of the County Treasurer by the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors.

Wayne Bank	\$75,000,000.00
The Delaware National Bank of Delhi	\$40,000,000.00
The Delaware National Bank of Delhi (Court and Trust Fund Designated by NYS Comptroller)	\$1,000,000.00
The National Bank and Trust Company	\$80,000,000.00

Key Bank \$250,000.00

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

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

RESOLUTION NO. 8

**TITLE: 2020 BUDGET AMENDMENT
DESIGNATION OF DELAWARE COUNTY AS LOCAL SPONSOR FOR
SNOWMOBILE GRANT
PLANNING DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation has made funds available to develop and/or maintain snowmobile trails in New York State; and

WHEREAS, applications for grants for such development and/or maintenance of snowmobile trails require a local government sponsor; and

WHEREAS, the Hamden Hill Ridge Riders, the Otego Snow-Goers, The Delaware Valley Ridge Riders, the Central Catskill Trail Association, Big Valley Trail Breakers, Maywood Snowriders, Delaware Otsego Chenango Snowriders and the D & D Snowdiggers have applied for said funds for the development and/or maintenance of snowmobile trails in Delaware County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Delaware County is hereby declared as the Local Sponsor for this application under the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation Snowmobile Grant Program; and

FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED that the Planning Department budget be amended to receive and dispense these moneys in compliance with the requirements of the Preservation Snowmobile Trails Grant Program as follows:

INCREASE REVENUES:

10-17989-43388900/7989003/908 State Otr Culture & Recreation \$103,200.00

INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

10-17989-54555000/7989003/908 Recreation Snowmobile Grant \$103,200.00

The resolution was seconded by Mr. Vernold and adopted by the following vote: Ayes 4799, Noes 0, Absent 0.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 9

**TITLE: AUTHORIZATION FOR DISPOSITION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY
NO LONGER NECESSARY FOR PUBLIC USE
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES**

WHEREAS, Section 215 of the County Law stipulates that the Board of Supervisors must authorize for the disposition of personal property no longer necessary for public use.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Department of Social Services is authorized to sell by trade-in, on-line auction or for scrap the following items:

<u>Dept. Vehicle</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Serial Number/VIN</u>
DSS 413	2010 Ford Fusion	3FAHP0GA1AR332338

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

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

RESOLUTION NO. 10

**TITLE: AUTHORIZING THE SCHEDULING/PUBLICATION OF A
PUBLIC HEARING FOR CLOSEOUT OF THE 2016 DELAWARE COUNTY
AGRICULTURAL MICROENTERPRISE PROGRAM
NEW YORK STATE OFFICE OF COMMUNITY RENEWAL GRANT
ADMINISTRATION COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDING
DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

WHEREAS, Delaware County was awarded a Microenterprise grant program through the Office of Community Renewal in 2016; and

WHEREAS, Delaware County made the grant funding through this program available to agriculturally based businesses in Delaware County; and

WHEREAS, the grant funding received under the Community Development Block Grant Program has been fully disbursed; and

WHEREAS, the NYS Office of Community Renewal requires that the governing body of the recipient provides opportunities for community engagement and feedback through the hosting of a public hearing to obtain citizen's views; and

WHEREAS, Delaware County has scheduled a public hearing for Wednesday, January 22, 2020 at 12:45 p.m. to be held at the Charles Cook Office Building.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Delaware hereby authorizes and directs the Director of Economic Development to publicize a public hearing to meet the administration requirements of the grant funds.

The resolution was seconded by Mr. Davis.

Chairman Molé reiterated that a public hearing will be held at the next meeting, January 22 at 12:45 p.m.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

Mrs. Scott offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION NO. 11

TITLE: IN MEMORY OF MICHAEL A. SPACCAFORNO

WHEREAS, Michael A. Spaccaforno passed away on December 24, 2019 having served as Town of Masonville Supervisor from 2012 until 2019; and

WHEREAS, he served with distinction and will be remembered for his dedication and hard work;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Delaware County Board of Supervisors extends its sympathy to the family of Michael A. Spaccaforno and recognizes with gratitude his contributions to this County, his Town and neighbors.

The resolution was seconded by Mr. Eisel and Mr. Davis and unanimously adopted.

Mr. Eisel said that Mike Spaccaforno was quite a guy. He took over the Legislative Committee for Mr. Spaccaforno but no one could fill his shoes. Mr. Spaccaforno had an enjoyable way about him and he will be missed.

Mr. Valente stated that whoever worked with Mr. Spaccaforno and received his emails knows that everything would be typed out in all capitals. Mr. Spaccaforno was very approachable. He liked being grumpy but didn't mean anything by his demeanor.

Mrs. Scott said that she first met Mr. Spaccaforno 11 years ago when they were both running for Town Board seats and he came around with the nominating petitions. That was the first time she had really talked to him. She came away with several things from that meeting. One, he had a colorful way of talking. Two, he had a definite opinion on things and how things should be done. And three, he was a man who could get those things done.

Ms. Molé commented that she knew Mr. Spaccaforno her whole life. His first marriage was to her father's cousin and they were very close friends throughout her entire life. She knew him long before she was lucky enough to get to work with him. He was a special person. She

didn't know any other language than the language that he spoke. She said she surely will miss him.

Mr. Cetta shared that Mr. Spaccaforno was a Marine.

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

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

RESOLUTION NO. 12

TITLE: PAYMENT OF AUDIT

WHEREAS, bills and claims submitted and duly audited by the Clerk of the Board's office in the amount of \$1,852,806.29 were hereby presented to the Finance Committee for approval for payment on December 24, 2019 prior to presentation to the Board of Supervisors;

THEREFORE, the County Treasurer was directed to pay said expenditures as listed below and this Board now approves of said payment as follows:

General Fund	\$1,187,444.56
OET	\$23,714.97
Public Safety Comm System	\$116,733.87
CAP 97 Main Street	\$7.58
Highway Audits, as Follows:	
Weights & Measures	\$0.00
Road	\$198,590.65
Machinery	\$31,156.48
Capital Road & Bridge	\$177,819.10
Capital Solid Waste	\$376.00
Solid Waste/Landfill	\$116,963.08

WHEREAS, bills and claims submitted and duly audited by the Clerk of the Board's office in the amount of \$739,718.16 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	\$599,191.57
OET	\$14,245.75
Public Safety Comm System	\$0.00
CAP MHC	\$95,420.32

Highway Audits, as Follows:

Weights and Measures	\$0.00
Road	\$0.00
Machinery	\$30,860.52
Capital Road & Bridge	\$0.00
Capital Solid Waste	\$0.00
Solid Waste/Landfill	\$0.00

The resolution was seconded by Mr. Taggart and Mr. Davis and adopted by the following vote: Ayes 4799, Noes 0, Absent 0.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 13

TITLE: EXECUTIVE SESSION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Delaware County Board of Supervisors convene in executive session to go into contract negotiations.

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

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

RESOLUTION NO. 14

TITLE: EXECUTIVE SESSION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Delaware County Board of Supervisors convene in executive session to go into negotiations for property.

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

The meeting convened in regular session with all Supervisors present.

Upon a motion, the meeting was adjourned at 1:25 p.m.