

REGULAR MEETING

DELAWARE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

FEBRUARY 26, 2020

The regular meeting of the Delaware County Board of Supervisors was held Wednesday, February 26, 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, Chairman Tina B. Molé presiding.

The Clerk called the roll and all Supervisors were present except Mr. Vernold, Mr. Pigford, and Mr. Layton.

Mr. Marshfield offered the invocation.

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

The minutes of the previous meeting and public hearing were accepted as presented.

The Clerk read a letter from David W. Clark of Delhi addressed to the Delaware County Board of Supervisors regarding Board proceedings. She noted that all other communications have been referred to the appropriate committees for review.

Chairman Molé granted privilege of the floor to Supervisor Taggart. Mr. Taggart introduced Delaware County Soil and Water Conservation District (DCSWCD) Executive Director Larry Underwood, Watershed Agricultural Council (WAC) Executive Director Craig Cashman, and Cornell Cooperative Extension of Delaware County (CCE) Executive Director Jeanne Darling to address the Board on the proposed "One Door" facility in Hamden.

Watershed Agricultural Council Executive Director Craig Cashman said the three organizations are looking for political support for the development of the "One Door" service center. The three organizations have worked together for 25 years and have been very successful in working side by side. In 2015 New York City Department of Environmental Protection (NYC DEP) Commissioner Emily Lloyd approached the WAC Board and leadership staff on behalf of the NYC DEP and offered to provide financial support and guidance to help WAC build a new state-of-the-art facility in the NYC Watershed. A site selection process began in 2016 utilizing GIS data and property on State Route 10 in Hamden was identified as the most convenient location for the public. WAC closed on the property in 2017. Last year, leadership staff and board members from the three agencies ultimately decided they wanted to build a facility not only using DEP funds but collectively look to build a facility that would house all of their staff in one location.

Delaware County Soil and Water Conservation District Executive Director Larry Underwood expressed that this is a special day for the three of them to be standing before the Board presenting their proposal for the regional "One Door" concept which is very exciting for them. Their agency is committed and excited to make this happen. Their current location has

served them very well since 1995 but to provide and protect our County and our region for countless generations to come, having this facility is crucial to their mission. They are outgrowing their present space—their staff has been growing and they are short on space at 44 West Street in Walton. They are providing more and more support, programs, and funding opportunities every year. He stated it is very important to have the County’s support to move forward with this effort.

Cornell Cooperative Extension of Delaware County Executive Director Jeanne Darling agreed these agencies have a great team moving into a project like this. What she and CCE staff are most interested in is not only the building but what’s coming out of that building in terms of services and programs. A “One Door” facility would provide partnering agencies and hopefully Farm Service Agency (FSA) and Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) to also be involved in the regional service center. They feel it will be a cost effective facility located in the center of Delaware County for easy access by County residents for a continuum of services. The service center would be home to state-of-the-art services and education in agriculture, forestry, water quality, and natural resources. Extension would also provide traditional 4-H youth development, family, health, housing, and nutrition programs. Delaware County Rural Healthcare Alliance programs would be based out of the center but provided daily in communities throughout the County. The “One Door” facility will offer skilled professional staff, state-of-the-art technology, and teaching resources to serve the needs of Delaware County in the Catskills region. The continuum of services will provide research-based information and resources as well as partnerships with Cornell University, New York State Ag and Markets, United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), other universities, state and national organizations as well as local agencies. Their vision for a “One Door” regional service center would be that it will be open to new opportunities to expand services, develop new programs, support innovative partnerships, and serve diverse audiences. Having staff in one facility would bring the extension staff together and they would gain synergy with all the partners to work on new grants and contracts to bring needed resources to the County to address the breadth of issues facing Delaware County and the region for many years to come. She and the Extension Board are very interested in exploring the opportunities to bring this partnership together to form this one facility.

Mr. Underwood and Mr. Cashman gave an overview of the project timeline which includes the purchase of 36 acres of property that was completed in 2017. The next steps will be design development, develop funding with partners, facility design, negotiate contracts, and build with an estimated completion in 2024-2025. The target date to open the service center is 2025.

Delaware County Planning Director Shelly Johnson-Bennett stated the Planning and Watershed Affairs Committee has submitted a resolution which is before the Board today. That resolution is to support this concept. The committee has been talking about this concept for quite a long time. They realize there is quite a bit of overlap in services provided by the various agencies in many ways and the only way to really bring all that together is to put the agencies in the same space. Agriculture and natural resources are a huge part of our economy and it’s a part of the economy they are looking to grow and expand. A lot of this is putting a great deal of effort into programs for agricultural businesses in the County as well as for the natural resources

industry. We need to be able to provide for space that business owners, land owners, and users of these services can get all of the information in one place. They have supported this with the National Academy of Sciences (NAS) Expert Review Panel. WAC had put forth during the NAS review that they were seeking this consolidation of services so they can be more efficient. This is a one-stop shop idea for land owners so they can get all of their services in one place. There is already a great deal of coordination but part of that coordination is transporting people between Walton and Hamden and Delhi and other locations. To be able to put them in the same facility provides for better service for the users. Farmers and timbermen don't have a lot of extra time to be driving from location to location; we want to be able to have them come to one place. The Planning Committee is seeking the Board's support on this resolution which would put them in a position to start looking for grant funding to help support their effort to look at this concept in more detail. The consolidated funding application will be available in May and there is often funding for consolidation of services. These are regional services and they are very cognizant of the fact the County has a lot of timber, stone, agriculture, as well as home services that CCE provides that are not in the watershed. This will not be just a watershed facility; it will be a regional facility so all residents will know it belongs to them. It is extremely important to serve the entire County by using City funds to leverage additional funds to build the needed space for DCSWCD and CCE. She asked the Board to support the resolution so they can look deeper into this concept of a regional service facility.

Supervisor Gladstone thanked Mrs. Johnson-Bennett for helping facilitate this presentation. He acknowledged from the presentation the importance agriculture has for this County in the past, present, and now looking into the future. Even though the future is at times questionable, the industry is in a transitional period from being primarily dairy (there are still a lot of cows in the County) now to beef (Delaware County is third in the state), vegetables, hemp, sheep, goats, horses, and the list goes on.

These three organizations, WAC for over 25 years, CCE and SWD for decades more—each have never had a home of their own. With this facility, it helps solidify the future of these agencies through the efficiency of services such as best management practices, the latest ag information, business planning, seminars, and the list goes on for both residents and farmers.

As we move forward through the building process utilizing DEP funds to start and outside funding for the rest of the building, he hoped this Board would be willing to help these agencies gain access to state, federal, and any other funding necessary to help complete this project. The true benefit of this project will be service to all Delaware County residents.

Mr. Gladstone closed by quoting Supervisor Mike Triolo's parting words from the December 2019 Board meeting, "Agriculture is still a major component of Delaware County—we should not forget that." He asked all to think about those words and how true they are.

Ms. Molé thanked Mr. Cashman, Mr. Underwood, and Mrs. Darling.

Chairman Molé granted privilege of the floor to Supervisor Gladstone. Mr. Gladstone introduced Director of Emergency Services Steve Hood to give an update on the Public Safety Communications System.

Mr. Hood stated this project was presented to the Board eight years ago and they are now within a few weeks of going live with the system.

There are 15 newly constructed tower sites of which 13 belong to Delaware County, 1 is a shared tower site located in Delaware County built and owned by Otsego County, and 1 is off Tennesse Lake in Roscoe that is shared with Sullivan County. The radio system is a Harris-Tait Simulcast over Internet Protocol (IP) radio system.

Currently there is one fire frequency and one law frequency. They will be moving to three VHF frequencies and eight UHF frequencies. The fire service will have eight frequencies they can use and the law side will be moving to three frequencies, one of which will be digitally encrypted. All the licensing has been secured from the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). The system backbone is connected via either fiber or microwave dishes between the sites which require line of sight in order to work. They have developed partnerships with Delhi Telephone Company, Margaretville Telephone Company, and Hancock Telephone Company to provide fiber service for the sites that don't have line of sight. Each site has 35 kw backup generators with 1,000 lb. propane tanks and can run for days should the power go off. These sites are listed as critical facilities with electrical suppliers so feasibly they would not be without power more than a few days at max. The towers operate on electric service including for heat and air conditioning thus the large generators are warranted. Each site has its own remote monitoring and alarming system and they would know from someone opening the door to what the temperature is inside the building to whether the a/c power is on or off or whether the generator is running to knowing the fuel levels in the generators—all remotely done.

Weather has been a challenge over the years including significant snow in winter months and drenching summer rains. The summer only provides about four months of good weather for construction but and it has not been an easy task for contractors to build roads out of mud.

The frequency spectrum itself also presented a challenge. There are not many frequencies left in this area. It took a long time to get those 8 UHF frequencies for the fire service and four of those are local-only frequencies which are not at the tower sites, they are basically a line-of-sight frequency only. The congested spectrum has been a challenge and neighboring counties are having a more difficult time finding frequencies at this time.

Environmental concerns presented the most difficult issues. Hancock is well known for having rattlesnakes and there were several times rattlesnakes were found at the site during construction. Delaware County Department of Public Works had built rattlesnake habitats before the tower site was started so when a rattlesnake was found, there was a safe place to take the snake.

The Margaretville site contained a certain species of bat in the area that may or may not have habitat in specific trees at the build site. They could not cut any timber to clear for a roadway for the entire summer in Margaretville because of bat habitats.

As with any government building project it was also necessary to go through all tribal consultation processes as needed for federal government afforded privileges.

Delaware County stormwater management plans were necessary for the tower sites. Some of the longer roadways required extensive plans. New York City was great to work with; they were more than up front letting them know when changes were required and allowing for time to make changes.

The site connectivity map essentially shows a ring of towers around the entire County with some spurs coming off the ring. If a section of the ring is disrupted, the traffic can go backwards through the ring to reach its destination. The ring provides for built-in redundancy.

The communications system is tied into the New York State Police system. They have been one of their biggest partners from the very beginning of this project. In 2013, they initially provided the microwave for the first site at the Public Safety Building. They paid for that microwave and paid to go into Utsayantha for the County to get the project started.

In answer to Mr. Marshfield, Mr. Hood said that Mt. Pisgah in Andes is leased through the New York State Police. The Downsville site is leased and the Grand Gorge site is leased through Margaretville Telephone Company between MTC and the property owner. Lookout was built with permission from the DEP to build on their property and DEP is currently working on turning that property over to the County.

In answer to Mr. Eisel regarding the amount of coverage in the County, Mr. Hood stated that the terrain in Delaware County makes full coverage very difficult. They are aiming for 85% roadside coverage.

Radios have been purchased and installed in 98% of fire apparatus, ambulances and fire chief vehicles around the County. The remainder will be installed over the next couple of weeks. Pagers have been purchased and distributed to all fire departments. All 911 consoles have been reprogrammed in order to operate off the new system. There have been five training sessions for chiefs and officers throughout the County during January. That training is also available to all first responders on the Emergency Services website to familiarize themselves with the new radios.

Currently all the towers sites are undergoing factory acceptance tests by PMC who is the radio vendor. Testing will result in certification that items are built and functioning to specifications. Blue Wing has been the consultant on this project from the beginning and they will perform drive testing once the factory acceptance tests are completed. Mid-March is the go live date where the system will be turned on for use. True drive tests will be completed in June and July to look for transmission issues during leaf-on conditions.

To date \$9,741,593 of County funding has been utilized with an additional \$6,176,248 in grant funding. The remaining \$900,000 grant funding is earmarked for system improvements following drive testing.

Tower maintenance will be routine and will be handled through a contract most likely with PMC, the radio vendor that built the system. Management of the towers, frequency and design studies for co-locations along with marketing is generally handled through a contract as well.

Mr. Hood concluded by saying this system was built for the first responders in the County and to say they are excited and anxious to get this system going is an understatement. The biggest question he has been asked is “will this improve cellular reception?” The short answer to the question is yes. He noted that all the towers are designed to accommodate at least three satellite providers and all the tower locations, coordinates, and addresses have been distributed to cellular provider property management and buildout teams. It is up to the cellular providers to take the next step. In his opinion this system will last a long time and is well worth the investment.

In answer to Mr. Marshfield, Mr. Hood estimated the annual maintenance cost for the communications system will be approximately \$500,000 annually. The initial estimate in 2012 for this communications system was \$15 million with a maintenance cost of \$500,000. The current investment cost is \$15.8 million so that projection was not far off and he would estimate maintenance cost between \$500,000 to \$750,000 per year. The current maintenance contract is \$104,000.

In response to Mr. Marshfield on the life expectancy of the equipment in the towers, Mr. Hood said the equipment has at least a 20-year life span—the towers will be there for a long time. As long as nothing happens to the spectrum, the system could live forever, however, there are no guarantees with the FCC.

In confirmation to Mr. Eisel, the frequencies cannot be taken away.

Chairman Molé thanked Mr. Hood for the update.

Chairman Molé granted privilege of the floor to Supervisor Taggart. Mr. Taggart introduced Delaware County Senior Planner Sean Leddy to speak about the 2020 Census.

Mr. Leddy thanked the Board for having him update them on the upcoming census. The decennial census is prescribed in Article 1 of the Constitution and describes that congressional representation is based on the population. Beyond that, appropriation of federal funds for schools, libraries, highways, hospitals, health care, economic development, and many other programs is based on the population. That is why it is important that everything possible is done to ensure everyone is counted. In 2010 New York State lost two congressional seats. It's widely projected that New York will once again lose at least one if not two congressional seats so it's imperative that every single person in the state is counted. Delaware County has a variety of populations that are categorized as hard to count populations or populations that have historically been underrepresented. Mr. Leddy has been working with the US Census office since 2017 to update County data. Starting in mid-March, everyone will be receiving in the mail or by hand delivery invitations to complete the Census. This is the opportunity for all people to self-respond. April 1 is Census Day. People who do not initially self-respond will be notified

throughout the month of April and asked to please respond. Beginning in May and into August is the non-response follow-up campaign. This will be the census workers knocking on doors to try to get the questionnaires completed.

In the fall of 2019 with the assistance of the US Census office and guidance from the New York State Census Bureau, a Complete Count Committee was developed in the County. Mr. Leddy is co-Chair of the Complete Count Committee along with Dr. Shelly Bartow of Delaware Opportunities. The committee is made up of a variety of department heads, agencies, and partners throughout the County and that committee has developed a plan and a budget to reach out to those hard to reach populations in the County. Those hard to reach sectors include seniors over 65, children under 5, people living in poverty, some veterans, and homeless persons. This is essentially an education and outreach program to target and reach those communities and let them know how important it is to be counted and what it means for our state and our County and our nation.

Mr. Leddy referred to a packet distributed to each Supervisor which includes a variety of promotional materials that was supplied by the US Census Bureau and contains his contact information and other materials about the Census including a sample of the questionnaire. The questionnaire is very simple with nine questions for each person living in the home. It is estimated that \$3,000 to \$3,500 per person per year for 10 years of funds are appropriated for schools, hospitals, libraries, health care and many other programs. That is why it is imperative that every person be counted.

The packet also contains information for people who would like an opportunity for a temporary, part-time position as a census taker. The pay is \$20 per hour and includes mileage reimbursement.

The Complete Count Committee has a budget of \$117,000 which will be broken out into different programs to reach out to those hard to reach communities and those living with language barriers, those who are isolated, or those without internet access. The 2020 Census is the first opportunity ever in our country's history that we will be able to complete our census online. Having said that, part of the plan is to have hand-held devices and to go out into the communities and be at community events or host community events. If that is something a town board might be interested in, he would be happy to work with Supervisors to do that. The committee will have devices and they will have people who are informed and can assist anyone with completing their questionnaire. They are currently booking events throughout April to July.

The County Planning Department has been the Census Office for the County. They have facilitated the data base with the Census Bureau alleviating that burden on town clerks and court officers. He asked Supervisors to please contact him at the County Planning Department with any questions.

Mr. Taggart and Ms. Molé thanked Mr. Leddy for his presentation.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 25

**TITLE: 2020 BUDGET AMENDMENT
RECEIPT OF DONATIONS K-9 PROGRAM
SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 91 of 2013 authorized the Delaware County Sheriff's Office to establish a K-9 Program and Resolution No. 123 of 2013 amended the K-9 Program budget; and Resolution No. 80 of 2016 amended the K-9 Program budget; and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff's Office has dedicated an officer to the division, and purchased a new K-9. The continued training, providing of basic necessities, such as food and veterinary, heated housing and other care-based upon need; and

WHEREAS, the Delaware County Sheriff's Office continues to receive donations from the public for the purpose of supporting the K-9 program; and

WHEREAS, the K-9 Program will incur additional needs relating to its profession and the Sheriff's Office desires the K-9 Program to be supported by donations and would like to continue the acceptance of additional contributions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following 2020 budget amendment be authorized:

INCREASE REVENUE:

10-13110-42270550/3110111/907	Gifts and Donations - Canine	\$10,000.00
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INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

10-13110-54143050/3110111/907	Canine - Contractual	\$10,000.00
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The resolution was seconded by Mr. Davis and adopted by the following vote:
Ayes 3775, Noes 0, Absent 1024 (Vernold, Pigford, Layton).

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

RESOLUTION NO. 26

**TITLE: 2020 BUDGET AMENDMENT
TRANSFER OF FUNDS
PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE**

WHEREAS, Delaware County Public Defender's Office plans to purchase a Smart Board and copier from the 2020 budget; and

WHEREAS, the total cost of the Smart Board and copier is higher than the amount in the equipment line in the department's 2020 budget; and

WHEREAS, there is available funding to cover the cost of these items in the department's Miscellaneous and Confidential Investigations budget lines.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following 2020 budget amendment be authorized:

TRANSFER FROM:

10-11171-54465000	Miscellaneous	\$3,000.00
10-11171-54190000	Confidential Investigations	\$3,000.00

TRANSFER TO:

10-11171-52200000	Equipment	\$6,000.00
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The resolution was seconded by Mr. Valente.

In response to Mr. Marshfield, Public Defender Joe Ermeti stated the Smart Board will be installed in the Board Room to be available for training.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote: Ayes 3775, Noes 0, Absent 1024 (Vernold, Pigford, Layton).

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

RESOLUTION NO. 27

**TITLE: 2020 BUDGET AMENDMENT
TRANSFER OF FUNDS
SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

WHEREAS, funds have been made available to the Sheriff's Office by way of felony drug prosecutions which funding is routinely collected; and

WHEREAS, we are looking to purchase a video recorder for our criminal interview room which has quit working.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the 2020 budget be amended to reflect the purchase of said supplemental items as follows:

TRANSFER FROM:

10-00000-34899000	Forfeiture of Crime Proceeds-Sheriff's Office	\$1,436.44
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TRANSFER TO:

10-13110-52200000	Equipment	\$1,436.44
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The resolution was seconded by Mr. Taggart and adopted by the following vote: Ayes 3775, Noes 0, Absent 1024 (Vernold, Pigford, Layton).

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

RESOLUTION NO. 28

**TITLE: AUTHORIZATION FOR AWARDS
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

LETTING OF JANUARY 23, 2020

Notice to bidders and proposals received having been filed and the bidding procedures and documents having been approved by the County Attorney:

BE IT RESOLVED that the County Department of Public Works is authorized to make awards to the lowest bidders meeting specifications as follows:

PROPOSAL NO. 1-20 Rental of Construction Equipment to: A. Montano Co., Inc., 571 NY 212, Saugerties, NY 12477, Abele Tractor & Equipment Co., Inc., 72 Everett Road, Albany, NY 12205; Admar Supply Co., Inc., 449 Commerce Road, Vestal, NY 13850; Beck Equipment, Inc., PO Box 243, Preble, NY 13141; Bothar Construction, LLC, 170 East Service Road, Binghamton, NY 13901; Boyle Excavating, Inc., 233 Boyle Road, Harpersfield, NY 13786; Broome Bituminous Products, Inc., PO Box 354, Vestal, NY 13850; Clark Companies, Inc., P.O. Box 427, Delhi, NY 13753; Cobleskill Stone Products, Inc., P.O. Box 220 Cobleskill, NY 12043; Delaware Bulldozing Corp., 5700 Co. Hwy 18, Bloomville, NY 13739; Doig Excavating Inc., PO Box 277, Downsville, NY 13755; D.G. Construction Service, LLC, 220 State Rd., Andes, NY 13731; Donegal Construction Corporation, PO Box 450, New Stanton, PA 15672; LaFever Excavating Inc., 3135 County Highway 6, Bovina Center, NY 13740; Oneonta Equipment Rental and Sales, 532 Co. Hwy. 58, Oneonta, NY 13820; Pawlikowski's Excavating, 1215 Hamden Hill Rd., Delhi, NY 13753; Schulz's Trucking, 1838 Swantak Road, Bloomville, NY 13739; Suit-Kote Corp., 1911 Lorings Crossing Rd., Cortland, N.Y. 13045; Sullivan County Paving & Construction Inc., 420 Bernas Road, Cochection, NY 13726; Stephenson Equipment Inc., 6018 Drott Drive, East Syracuse, NY 13057; Tri-Town Development Corp., PO Box 237, Sidney, NY 13838; Tweedie Construction Services Inc., 90 Crystal Creek Road, Walton, NY 13856; Vantage Equipment, LLC, 5985 Court Street Road, Syracuse, NY 13206; Vestal Asphalt Inc., 201 Stage Road, Vestal, NY 13850.

Bid Price: See Summary Sheet

Towns may participate in this bid.

All original bids and a summary sheet of the bids received are on file for inspection at the office of the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors.

The resolution was seconded by Mr. Davis and adopted by the following vote:
Ayes 3775, Noes 0, Absent 1024 (Vernold, Pigford, Layton).

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

RESOLUTION NO. 29

**TITLE: AUTHORIZATION FOR AWARDS
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

LETTING OF JANUARY 30, 2020

Notice to bidders and proposals received having been filed and the bidding procedures and documents having been approved by the County Attorney:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the County Department of Public Works is authorized to make awards to the lowest bidders meeting specifications as follows:

PROPOSAL NO. 6-20 Liquid Bituminous Concrete & Related Equipment Bid to: Gorman Asphalt DBA American Asphalt, 200 Church Street, Albany, NY 12202; Suit-Kote Corp., 1911 Lorings Crossing Rd., Cortland, NY 13045; Peckham Materials Corp., 763 Schoharie Turnpike, Athens, NY 12015; Vestal Asphalt Inc., 201 Stage Road, Vestal, NY 13850

Bid Price: See Summary Sheet

Towns may participate in this bid.

All original bids and a summary sheet of the bids received are on file for inspection at the office of the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors.

The resolution was seconded by Mr. Davis and adopted by the following vote:
Ayes 3775, Noes 0, Absent 1024 (Vernold, Pigford, Layton).

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

RESOLUTION NO. 30

**TITLE: AUTHORIZATION FOR AWARDS
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

LETTING OF FEBRUARY 5, 2020

Notice to bidders and proposals received having been filed and the bidding procedures and documents having been approved by the County Attorney:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the County Department of Public Works is authorized to make awards to the lowest bidders meeting specifications as follows:

PROPOSAL NO. 7-20 Stone & Gravel Products to: Carver Sand & Gravel LLC, 494 Western Turnpike, Altamont, NY 12009; Burton F. Clark, Inc., PO Box 427, Delhi, NY 13753; Cobleskill Stone Products, Inc., PO Box 220, Cobleskill, NY 12043; Cranesville Block Co., 1250 River Front Center, Amsterdamm, NY 12010; Delaware Bulldozing Corp., 5700 Co. Hwy 18, Bloomville, NY 13739; E&R Popes Excavating, LLC, 1073 Co. Hwy 1, Mt. Upton, NY 13809; Eric J Dahlberg Construction LLC., 696 Potter Mtn Rd., Gilboa, NY 12076; Hanson Aggregates NY LLC, PO Box A, Nedrow, NY 13120; J&A Sand & Gravel Inc., 8756 State Hwy 30, Downsville, NY 13755; LaFever Sand & gravel, LLC, 3135 Co Hwy 6, Bovina Center, NY 13740; Masonville Stone Inc., 12999 State Route 8, Masonville, NY 13804; Platterkill Mine LLC., 871 Bull Hill Rd., Gilboa, NY 12076; Robinson Bros Excavating, 29119 St Hwy 10, Walton, NY 13856; Tri City Highway Products Inc., 145 Podpadic Rd., Richmondville, NY 12149.

Bid Price: See Summary Sheet

PROPOSAL NO. 8-20 Gravel Processing to: Burton F. Clark, Inc., PO Box 427, Delhi, NY 13753;

Bid Price: See Summary Sheet

Towns may participate in these bids.

All original bids and a summary sheet of the bids received are on file for inspection at the office of the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors.

The resolution was seconded by Mr. Davis and adopted by the following vote: Ayes 3775, Noes 0, Absent 1024 (Vernold, Pigford, Layton).

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

RESOLUTION NO. 31

**TITLE: AUTHORIZATION FOR AWARDS -
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

LETTING OF FEBRUARY 6, 2020

Notice to bidders and proposals received having been filed and the bidding procedures and documents having been approved by the County Attorney:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the County Department of Public Works is authorized to make awards to the lowest bidders meeting specifications as follows:

PROPOSAL NO. 9-20 Transit Mixed Concrete to: Hanson Aggregates NY, LLC., PO Box A, Nedrow, NY 13120; Masters RMC, Inc., PO Box 25, Kingsley, PA 18826; Otsego Ready Mix, Inc., 2 Wells Avenue, Oneonta, NY 13820.

Bid Price: See Summary Sheet

PROPOSAL NO. 10-20 Steel Structural Shapes to: Chemung Supply Corp., PO Box 527, Elmira, NY 14902; Steel Sales Inc., PO Box 539, Sherburne, NY 13460; Weitsman Recycling, LLC, 15 West Main St., Owego, NY 13827.

Bid Price: See Summary Sheet

PROPOSAL NO. 11-20 Used Steel Pipe & New Steel Pipe End Sections to: Allegany Pipe & Tubular, 2954 Co Rt 22, Andover, NY 14806-9616; Chemung Supply Corp., PO Box 527, Elmira, NY 14902.

Bid Price: See Summary Sheet

PROPOSAL NO. 12-20 Interlocking Steel Sheet Piling to: Chemung Supply Corp., PO Box 527, Elmira, NY 14902

Bid Price: See Summary Sheet

PROPOSAL NO. 13-20 Steel Reinforcing Bars to: Steel Sales Inc., PO Box 539, Sherburne, NY 13460; Weitsman Recycling, LLC, 15 West Main St., Owego, NY 13827.

Bid Price: See Summary Sheet

- PROPOSAL NO. 14-20 Epoxy Coated Steel Reinforcing Bars to: Steel Sales Inc., PO Box 539, Sherburne, NY 13460; Weitsman Recycling, LLC, 15 West Main St., Owego, NY 13827.
- Bid Price: See Summary Sheet
- PROPOSAL NO. 16-20 Gabions to: Chemung Supply Corp., PO Box 527, Elmira, NY 14902;
- Bid Price: See Summary Sheet
- PROPOSAL NO. 17-20 Pressure Treated Timbers to: Pickett Building Materials, 6459 State Highway 23, Oneonta, NY 13820
- Bid Price: See Summary Sheet
- PROPOSAL NO. 18-20 Plain Elastomeric Bridge Bearing Material to: Beacon Building Products, 158 Syracuse St., Syracuse, NY 13204.
- Bid Price: See Summary Sheet
- PROPOSAL NO. 19-20 Bridge Deck Membrane to: Beacon Building Products, 158 Syracuse St., Syracuse, NY 13204.
- Bid Price: See Summary Sheet
- PROPOSAL NO. 20-20 Steel Sign Posts to: Chemung Supply Corp., PO Box 527, Elmira, NY 14902
- Bid Price: See Summary Sheet
- PROPOSAL NO. 26-20 Elastomeric Concrete to: Beacon Building Products, 158 Syracuse St., Syracuse, NY 13204.
- Bid Price: See Summary Sheet

Towns may participate in these bids.

All original bids and a summary sheet of the bids received are on file for inspection at the office of the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors.

The resolution was seconded by Mr. Davis and adopted by the following vote: Ayes 3775, Noes 0, Absent 1024 (Vernold, Pigford, Layton).

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

RESOLUTION NO. 32

**TITLE: AUTHORIZATION FOR AWARDS
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

LETTING OF FEBRUARY 19, 2020

Notice to bidders and proposals received having been filed and the bidding procedures and documents having been approved by the County Attorney:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the County Department of Public Works is authorized to make awards to the lowest bidders meeting specifications as follows:

PROPOSAL NO. 27-20 Purchase of Low Boy Trailer to: Five Star Equipment,
PO Box 383, Kirkwood, NY 13795

Bid Price: \$75,991.83

Towns may participate in this bid.

All original bids and a summary sheet of the bids received are on file for inspection at the office of the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors.

The resolution was seconded by Mr. Davis and adopted by the following vote:
Ayes 3775, Noes 0, Absent 1024 (Vernold, Pigford, Layton).

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

RESOLUTION NO. 33

**TITLE: CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 PROPOSAL 31-19
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 147 of 2019 authorized the award of Proposal No. 31-19, “Delaware County Bridge Structural Steel Preservation Project, PIN 9754.34, D036260” to Atlas Painting and Sheeting Corp., 465 Creekside Drive, Amherst, NY 14228 for the bid amount of \$369,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the project has been completed and the consulting engineering firm that has been performing the construction inspection has been working with the contractor to reach an agreement on the final quantities for the contract; and

WHEREAS, the final quantities have been determined resulting in a net decrease of \$27,844.00

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Department of Public Works is herewith authorized to execute Change Order No. 1 for Proposal No. 31-19 decreasing the contract by \$27,844.00 resulting in a final contract amount of \$341,156.00.

The resolution was seconded by Mr. Davis and adopted by the following vote: Ayes 3775, Noes 0, Absent 1024 (Vernold, Pigford, Layton).

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

RESOLUTION NO. 34

TITLE: AUTHORIZING THE IMPLEMENTATION, AND FUNDING IN THE FIRST INSTANCE 100% OF THE FEDERAL-AID AND STATE “MARCHISELLI” PROGRAM-AID ELIGIBLE COSTS, OF A TRANSPORTATION FEDERAL-AID PROJECT, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFORE

WHEREAS, a Project for the Delaware County Bridge Maintenance & Structural Steel Preservation Program (2020), PIN 9754.35 (the Project) is eligible for funding under Title 23 U.S. Code, as amended, that calls for the apportionment of the costs of said program to be borne at the ratio of 80% Federal funds and 20% non-Federal funds; and

WHEREAS, the County of Delaware desires to advance the Project by making a commitment of 100% of the Federal and non-Federal share of the costs of the Preliminary Engineering/Design work.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Delaware County Board of Supervisors, duly convened does hereby

RESOLVE that the Delaware County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the above-subject project; and it is further

RESOLVED that the Delaware County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the County of Delaware to pay in the first instance 100% of the Federal and non-Federal share of the cost of Preliminary Engineering/Design work for the Project or portions thereof; and it is further

RESOLVED that the sum of \$40,000 is hereby appropriated from 34-15112-54000000 and made available to cover the cost of participation in the above phase of the Project; and it is further

RESOLVED that in the event the full Federal and non-Federal share costs of the Project exceeds the amount appropriated above, the Delaware County Board of Supervisors shall convene as soon as possible to appropriate said excess amount immediately upon the notification by the New York State Department of Transportation thereof, and it is further

RESOLVED that the Chairman of the Board of the Delaware County Board of Supervisors be and is hereby authorized to execute all necessary Agreements, certifications or

reimbursement requests for Federal Aid and/or Marchiselli Aid on behalf of the County of Delaware with the New York State Department of Transportation in connection with the advancement or approval of the Project and providing for the administration of the Project and the municipality's first instance funding of Project costs and permanent funding of the local share of federal-aid and state-aid eligible Project costs and all Project costs within appropriations therefore that are not so eligible, and it is further

RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution be filed with the New York State Commissioner of Transportation by attaching it to any necessary Agreement in connection with the Project, and it is further

RESOLVED this resolution shall take effect immediately.

The resolution was seconded by Mr. Davis and adopted by the following vote: Ayes 3775, Noes 0, Absent 1024 (Vernold, Pigford, Layton).

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

RESOLUTION NO. 35

**TITLE: AUTHORIZATION FOR DISPOSITION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY
NO LONGER NECESSARY FOR PUBLIC USE
SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

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.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Sheriff's Office is authorized to sell by trade-in or online auction or dispose of as unserviceable the following items:

<u>Dept. Vehicle No.</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Serial Number/VIN</u>
SHF 77	2014 Ford Explorer	1FM5K8AR7EGC60451
SHF 78	2014 Ford Explorer	1FM5K8AR9EGC60452
SHF 80	2014 Ford Taurus Interceptor	1FAHP2MK7EG186095
SHF 83	2015 Ford Taurus Interceptor	1FAHP2MK1FG159833
SHF 85	2015 Ford Taurus Interceptor	1FAHP2MKXGH159832
SHF 86	2015 Ford Fusion	1FA6P0G75F5130852

Mr. Gladstone expressed that the Sheriff's Office has gone to a leased fleet through Enterprise FM Trust and this is the first round of replacements. This resolution allows the transfer of the titles of these vehicles to Enterprise to be salvaged through their network.

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

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

RESOLUTION NO. 36

**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 ID</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Serial Number/VIN</u>
DSS 415	2010 Ford Fusion	3FAHP0GA1AR332341

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

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

RESOLUTION NO. 37

**TITLE: INSPECTOR PAYMENT
BOARD OF ELECTIONS**

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 143 of 2011 provided the schedule of payments to made to election inspectors; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 441 of 2019 changes New York State Law §8-100 requiring all primaries to begin at 6:00 a.m. instead of noon; and

WHEREAS, due to the change election inspectors will need to work longer hours on primary day; and

WHEREAS, as a result of various changes inspector training will take longer; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to rescind Resolution No. 143 of 2011 and establish new rates to retain and recruit inspectors.

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that beginning March 1, 2020 Delaware County election inspectors will be paid as follows:

Inspector training fee	\$50.00
Inspector fee for any Primary, Special or General Election	\$250.00

The resolution was seconded by Mr. Tuthill.

In answer to Mr. Taggart, Deputy Commissioner Robin Alger said the previous payment amounts were \$35 for training, \$130 for Primary, and \$210 for General.

In answer to Mr. Eisel and Mr. Marshfield, Ms. Alger stated the primary polls will open at 6:00 a.m. effective March 1.

In reply to Mr. Marshfield, Ms. Alger said the increase in inspector payments was not anticipated in the 2020 budget. This is a new state law.

Mr. Valente stated the County fronts these payments and then includes those payments in the chargebacks to the individual towns. Ultimately, the town pays the fees.

Mr. Valente and Mr. Kosier recused themselves as their spouses are election inspectors. Mr. Davis recused himself since his mother is an election inspector.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote: Ayes 2876, Abstain 899 (Valente, Davis, Kosier), Absent 1024 (Vernold, Pigford, Layton).

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

RESOLUTION NO. 38

TITLE: AUTHORIZATION FOR FEE CONVEYANCE NOTICE COUNTY CLERK

WHEREAS, New York State legislation has passed a law amending Real Property Law §291 to require that the County Clerk mail a written notice to the owner of record of a conveyance recorded in the Clerk's office; and

WHEREAS, the law states that the clerk of the county is entitled to charge a reasonable fee to cover the cost of mailing; and

WHEREAS, in order to keep the fee charged consistent across the state, the New York State Association of County Clerks agree to recommend that the reasonable fee be charged at \$10.00 for the notice for each recording of a conveyance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the County Clerk is authorized to charge the party seeking to record such conveyance a fee of \$10.00 to cover the cost of mailing a notice of such conveyance which will be added at the time of recording effective March 1, 2020.

The resolution was seconded by Mr. Tuthill and adopted by the following vote: Ayes 3775, Noes 0, Absent 1024 (Vernold, Pigford, Layton).

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

RESOLUTION NO. 39

TITLE: LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL FOR CONTINUATION OF SALES TAX LEVY

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 7566 and Assembly Bill 9643 have been introduced to allow the continuation of the 4% local sales and use tax rate;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Delaware County Board of Supervisors requests the passage and enactment of Senate Bill 7566 and Assembly Bill 9643 entitled “AN ACT to amend the tax law, in relation to extending the authorization of the County of Delaware to impose an additional one percent of sales and compensating use taxes”; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors is directed and authorized to file with the Senate and Assembly Home Rule messages or forms as needed to certify this resolution.

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

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

RESOLUTION NO. 40

**TITLE: SUPPORTING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE “ONE DOOR”
REGIONAL SERVICE CENTER
PLANNING DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, Agriculture and Forestry has been the primary economic driver for generations in Delaware County and the Catskill Region; and

WHEREAS, through a unique watershed partnership for over 25 years Cornell Cooperative Extension of Delaware County, Delaware County Soil and Water District, USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service and Farm Service Agency and the Watershed Agricultural Council have stimulated the regional economy to the tune of \$300 million dollars through planning and delivery of services together; and

WHEREAS, this collaboration has become an internationally recognized model for natural resources and watershed management; and

WHEREAS, utilizing the strengths and resources of an all-inclusive approach through collaborative partnerships, the organizations intend to develop a “One Door” facility that supports the economic viability and sustainability of agriculture and forestry, the protection of water quality, and the preservation of natural resources in the Catskill Region; and

WHEREAS, this facility will be located in Delaware County, Town of Hamden and will be centrally located to offer a continuum of services that will benefit the public while providing a long-term stable housing solution for the future; and

WHEREAS, the Committee recommends that this Resolution be approved by the Board of Supervisors.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors supports the creation of the “One Door” Regional Service Center that will benefit the County and the region for generations.

The resolution was seconded by Mr. Marshfield and Mr. Ellis.

Mr. Marshfield expressed that the Town of Hamden is excited. They already have two of the agencies in Hamden and are looking forward to the day when they all can have a nice facility where everybody can operate out of. This will be a nice addition to a town that struggles.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 41

TITLE: DECLARATION OF INTENT TO SERVE AS LEAD AGENCY FOR THE STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW ACT (SEQRA) FOR THE PURCHASE AND DEVELOPMENT OF COUNTY HIGHWAY FACILITIES DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

WHEREAS, the condition of the Department of Public Works (DPW) Main Shop and related structures, referred to as the Page Ave. Complex, has deteriorated for over twenty years despite repair efforts and financial investment; and

WHEREAS, DPW has been seeking to replace its Page Ave. Main Shop since 2006; and

WHEREAS, passage of Resolution 20 of 2014 awarded contract for professional services for a Conceptual Design and Programming Phase, thereby initiating conceptual engineering design and site selection; and

WHEREAS, the Page Ave. Complex’s deterioration most recently culminated in the DPW Main Shop roof failure and subsequent demolition in October 2018; and

WHEREAS, structural engineering review of the conjoining Annex Building indicated a limited remaining structural lifespan within the near future; and

WHEREAS, cost estimates for renovation of the original brick silk factory Administration Building are comparable to new construction; and

WHEREAS, site selection for alternate building locations prioritizes real property situated outside of the 500-year floodplain, having proximity to Departmental infrastructure for purposes of long-term service and maintenance, and minimizing undesirable impacts to agricultural lands and neighboring communities; and

WHEREAS, an alternate single building site capable of accommodating the relocation of the entire Page Ave. Complex has been determined not in the public interest by the Board of Supervisors; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 111 of 2019 established a Capital Project Fund for the DPW Complex and transferred \$13,000,000 into the fund towards development costs; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works Committee recommends that the Neale Road property purchased by the County pursuant to Resolution 90 of 2019, containing 2.2 acres and identified as Town of Walton Tax Map #275.-2-25, being contiguous to the Solid Waste Management Center, be the location for the new Heavy Equipment Maintenance Shop; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works Committee recommends a County-owned vacant lot at the corner of Bridge St. and Main St. in the Village of Delhi as the location for the new Administration Building; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works Committee recommends an approximately 6-acre portion of 51702 State Highway 10, Bloomville, Tax Map #106.-2-25.21, owned by the Town of Kortright, be the location for the new Patrol Garage, Specialty Shops, and associated support features; and

WHEREAS, the remaining work centers at the DPW Page Ave. Complex, specifically the Bridge Crew Pole Barn, Lewis Building, and Wickham Building, will be upgraded and improved on-site; and

WHEREAS, given the current condition of the DPW buildings, the Public Works Committee recommends proceeding expeditiously in the construction of the above-mentioned facilities and any necessary real property acquisitions to accommodate them, and has made a determination that the project is consistent with the long term service goals for the County; and

WHEREAS, Delaware County has determined itself to be the appropriate body to act as Lead Agency for the State Environmental Quality Review (SEQR) process, including a coordinated review;

WHEREAS, based on a review of NYCRR Section 617.4, it has been determined this action is considered an unlisted action for the purposes of the State Environmental Quality Review (SEQR); and

WHEREAS, Resolution 58 of 2006 previously designated Delaware County as lead agency for SEQR review of the purchase of property and ultimate construction of a new highway garage;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Delaware County Board of Supervisors declares its intention to serve as Lead Agency for the SEQR of the project as currently anticipated, including the purchase of property and the construction of the facilities.

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

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

RESOLUTION NO. 42

**TITLE: AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT
TO PURCHASE PROPERTY
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

WHEREAS, an approximately 6-acre portion of the property at 51702 State Highway 10, Town of Kortright, has been identified as a development site for the relocation of the DPW Delhi Patrol Garage, Specialty Shops, and support structures; and

WHEREAS, the 51702 State Highway 10 property identified as Town of Kortright Tax Map #106.-2-25.21 requires the subdivision of approximately 6 acres; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works Committee believes that the purchase of this property is in the best interest of the County; and

WHEREAS, access to the property for environmental and engineering investigations necessitates entering into a purchase agreement; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Chairman of the Board is hereby authorized to enter into a purchase agreement with the Town of Kortright for the approximately 6-acre portion of Tax Map #106.-2-25.21.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that final purchase of the property shall be contingent upon clear title, completion of SEQR review, mutually agreed-upon terms and purchase price, and shall be brought before the Board of Supervisors for their consideration and approval.

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

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

RESOLUTION NO. 43

TITLE: CONTRACT FOR SALE 97 MAIN STREET, DELHI, NEW YORK

WHEREAS, as the infrastructure of the County buildings ages and begins to deteriorate, the safety of staff and the citizens utilizing their services, has become a paramount concern for the Board of Supervisors; and

WHEREAS, the County purchased the front of 97 Main Street, Delhi, New York, as to house the Office for the Aging and the Senior Meals Program. This property contained a commercial kitchen, an area for a dining center, office space, additional parking and is handicapped accessible. The space has been successful in meeting the current and potential future needs, of our aging population. Also, the current property houses the new Public Defender's Office as well; and

WHEREAS, 97 Main Street is comprised of two (2) contiguous properties. As part of OFA purchase, the sellers agreed to give the County the right of first refusal to purchase the contiguous property. The contiguous property is made up of the back of 97 Main Street (tax # 171.06-10-11.2) and a parking lot (tax # 171.06-10-11.3); and

WHEREAS, the sellers have now offered the contiguous property for sale for a total price of \$550,000. The property identified as 171.06-10-11.2 priced at \$375,000 and the property identified as 171.06-10-11.3 priced at \$175,000; and

WHEREAS, the County is in need of office space for Board of Elections and Veterans Services due to the deteriorating condition of the DPW Annex that the offices now occupy. Board of Elections is required to remain in the county seat and locating Veterans Services near the Office for the Aging in the Main Street location enhances its accessibility; and

WHEREAS, the property contains not only office space but much needed parking.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the County in an effort to maintain a safe office space for these county employees and a desirable location for both the Board of Elections and Veterans Service Agency that is easily accessible and safe for the public, shall enter into a Contract for Sale for the rest of the property located at 97 Main Street, Delhi, NY; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chairman of the Board is hereby authorized to sign any and all documents necessary to effectuate the Contract for Sale.

The resolution was seconded by Mr. Marshfield.

In response to Mr. Valente regarding implications if the current occupants have not vacated the premises by the end of January 2021, Assistant County Attorney Jeremy Rase said there are certain legal penalties just like in any contract that isn't fulfilled according to its terms.

Mr. Valente stated his concern is with the Board of Elections and the short timing from now until primaries that it is absolutely essential to notify the general public.

Mr. Merrill stated that there is already empty space that will accommodate primaries as a voting site if necessary.

Mr. Marshfield said the current owners were willing to accommodate Veterans Services to move in there ahead of time. At one time they had to see if they could be out by November and there was a mad scurry on behalf of Veterans Service Agency to try to find a home, which they did. It was a different place that would cost \$10,000 to move in and \$10,000 annual rental. Then the back portion of 97 Main Street came up and that place was put on the back burner. January 31 is the drop dead date and they may be out before then.

Mr. Taggart stated the County would not occupy the building at all until February 1. The concern is about what kind of incentive there is for the current owners to be out.

Mr. Rase noted that the vacate date is included in the contract and there are contract remedies and several means to address that concern, none of them fast.

Mr. Valente stated there can be considerable harm by not vacating as agreed as the engineer will no longer certify the Annex building after that date. There are certain liability issues to be aware of.

In response to Mr. Marshfield, Mr. Rase confirmed the contract has not been finalized and separate provisions can be added to address liquidated damages or some other penalty clause.

Mr. Marshfield commented that the building is expensive, however, it would cost two to three times more to build something. It's a facility that already has Office for the Aging and the Public Defender's Office. It would house the Board of Elections and Veterans Service Agency and to say the least about the parking advantage. Delhi has parking issues and to be able to own the entire parking lot would be a benefit to the County.

Ms. Molé stated the County maintains the parking lot currently.

Mr. Taggart said this would be an additional 16 parking spaces.

Mr. Tuthill commented that he and other Supervisors have gotten a lot of comments about this, however, he agrees with Mr. Marshfield that the building is likely overpriced and if someone could give a better idea as to where they could move everyone who has to be relocated he would be hard pressed to vote for this but they are so limited on available properties. He feels he has to support the resolution even though another property will come off the tax roll.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote: Ayes 3232, Noes 543 (Haynes, Davis), Absent 1024 (Vernold, Pigford, Layton).

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

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

RESOLUTION NO. 44

TITLE: PAYMENT OF AUDIT

WHEREAS, bills and claims submitted and duly audited by the Clerk of the Board’s office in the amount of \$1,839,848.15 were hereby presented to the Finance Committee for approval for payment on February 12, 2020 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	\$1,392,539.65
OET	\$11,364.77
Public Safety Comm System	\$346,372.75
CAP 97 Main Street	\$0.00
CAP MHC	\$1,234.53
Highway Audits, as Follows:	
Weights & Measures	\$876.00
Road	\$438.39
Machinery	\$29,370.90
Capital Road & Bridge	\$37,118.00
Capital Solid Waste	\$0.00
Solid Waste/Landfill	\$20,533.16

WHEREAS, bills and claims submitted and duly audited by the Clerk of the Board’s office in the amount of \$1,581,172.70 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	\$917,110.94
OET	\$29,007.03
Public Safety Comm System	\$0.00
CAP 97 Main Street	\$391.89
CAP MHC	\$0.00
Highway Audits, as Follows:	
Weights and Measures	\$51.65
Road	\$325,401.98
Machinery	\$86,304.66
Capital Road & Bridge	\$54,296.79
Capital Solid Waste	\$34,095.41
Solid Waste/Landfill	\$134,512.35

The resolution was seconded by Mr. Taggart and adopted by the following vote: Ayes 3775, Noes 0, Absent 1024 (Vernold, Pigford, Layton).

Chairman Molé made the following committee appointments:

COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD

4-year term ending December 31, 2023

Appoint:

Joanne Sampson

ORDA (Olympic Regional Development Agency) COMMUNITY ADVISORY PANEL

2-year term ending December 31, 2021

Reappoint:

Diane Munro

YOUTH BUREAU BOARD

3-year term ending December 31, 2022

Reappoint:

Wayne Marshfield

Meghan Starring

Joan Joedicke

Jeff Staples

Supervisor Valente announced that the Economic Development Committee acknowledges that the new bag law allows for the County to impose a five cent per bag tax on grocery shoppers with certain restrictions. The tax is allowed by the state but the County would have to approve the tax. The committee has unanimously decided not to go ahead with another tax.

Mr. Marshfield commented that out of the five cents per bag, three cents would go to the state.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 45

TITLE: EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

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

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

Upon a motion, the meeting was adjourned at 2:50 p.m.