

REGULAR MEETING

DELAWARE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SEPTEMBER 25, 2013

The regular meeting of the Delaware County Board of Supervisors was held Wednesday, September 25, 2013 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 James E. Eisel, Sr. presiding.

The Clerk called the roll and all Supervisors were present except Mr. Marshfield.

Mr. Donnelly offered the invocation.

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

The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as presented.

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

Chairman Eisel granted privilege of the floor to Director of Mental Health Cynthia Heaney who presented Sherry Homan as Employee of the Month.

Mrs. Homan began her employment with the Department of Mental Health in 2002 as a Staff Social Worker. In 2009, she was promoted to Senior Staff Social Worker and in 2012 was promoted to her current position of Supervising Social Worker.

Mrs. Heaney stated that in this capacity, Mrs. Homan supervises twelve clinicians who are responsible for as many as 1,200 clients. On a daily basis, staff social workers intervene and deal with multiple crises that are often difficult and heartbreaking. It is a fast-paced and intense work environment.

Mrs. Homan's hard work and resourcefulness over the years has helped her become a clinician who understands the needs of her clients and who is skilled in the process of helping ease emotional pain. She is exceptionally well organized and reliable and conducts herself in a professional yet respectful and approachable manner. Her kind and compassionate nature has earned her the respect of her clients, co-workers and peers. Mrs. Homan personifies the saying "grace under fire" and is a valuable asset to the Mental Health Clinic.

Mrs. Heaney presented Mrs. Homan with a \$50.00 check and thanked her for her loyalty and commitment. Chairman Eisel presented Mrs. Homan with the Certificate of Employee of the Month and thanked her for her dedicated service.

Mrs. Homan stated that she strives daily to emulate the high standards established for the department by Mrs. Heaney who is well respected by staff and peers. She thanked Mrs. Heaney and the Board of Supervisors for this honor and noted that it has been her privilege to serve the people of this County.

Chairman Eisel granted privilege of the floor to Mr. Smith. Mr. Smith introduced Cornell Cooperative Extension Executive Director Jeanne Darling and Senior Resource Educator Paul Cerosaletti.

Mrs. Darling announced that Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE) is celebrating 100 years of programming in Delaware County. Their mission is “to serve as a fundamental catalyst for promoting the quality of life in Delaware County by linking university-based research and innovative land-grant university programming with the talents, enthusiasm and goals of community groups, agencies, institutions, volunteers and our program staff through pro-active planning focused programming and on-going partnering.”

A slide presentation was given detailing the programs of Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE) featuring each town in Delaware County and focusing on activities of agricultural competitiveness and profitability, children and youth development, economic sustainability, environment protection and enhancement, individual family and community well-being and nutrition, health and safety.

Discussing future programs and initiatives, Mrs. Darling shared that the recently-developed day camp program at 4-H Camp Shankitunk was filled each week with youth participating in day camp programs. This year the day camp program was even more successful as there were fifteen more youth signups than last year. The roof on the science center building will be replaced this fall and the project creates an opportunity to introduce more solar and alternative energy programs as part of a cooperative program with SUNY Delhi.

The continuation and expansion of programs working closely with 4-H, such as the Human Ecology Program, the Science, Technology, Ecology and Math Program (STEM), Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program (EFNEP), and the Eat Smart New York Program (ESNY), are designed to develop and encourage stronger families, youth and communities.

New and exciting programs underway include partnering with the Department of Social Services Youth Bureau in a Grow to Learn Program, and CCE’s involvement in the Dairy Acceleration Program. Additionally, CCE is the lead agency for the Rural Healthcare Alliance Network and looks forward to many new initiatives that will come through that funding.

Addressing agricultural programs and initiatives, Mr. Cerosaletti shared that CCE is very excited to be a service provider for the Dairy Acceleration Program. The program is designed to help farmers increase milk production to meet New York State’s growing demand for dairy products. A tour of a farm in central New York that has recently installed robotics designed to make the milking process easier and more productive is scheduled for November.

The Department of Public Works Solid Waste Management Division, working in conjunction with CCE partners, has found a market that will dispose of the agricultural plastic for farmers at no cost and the plastic will be used in the manufacturing of plastic lumber.

Precision Feed Management Program (PFM), for dairy cows, continues to be a successful program and remains a vision for the future of sustainable and profitable agriculture. Through the persistent efforts of CCE partners, such as the Department of Watershed Affairs, PFM is now in the revised 2007 Filtration Avoidance Determination for the New York City Watershed.

Additionally, CCE has received a New York State Conservation innovation grant to aid in the development of a cover crop system designed to help farmers get their cover crops planted in a timely manner. Mr. Cerosaletti provided each Supervisor with a copy of Cornell University Cooperative Extension Newsletter entitled: *Crop Production Special Bulletin 2013 Fall Forage in Focus*.

Detailed information on the initiatives and programs discussed can be accessed at CCEs website: www.ccedelaware.org. Supervisors were encouraged to attend the CCE Annual Meeting to be held at 4-H Camp Shankitunk on Friday, September 27, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. The speaker's topic for discussion will focus on how to keep our youth in Delaware County.

Mrs. Darling thanked the Board of Supervisors, the Cornell Cooperative Extension partners and volunteers who help make these programs possible. She noted that refreshments consisting of locally grown and prepared products will be served after the meeting.

Chairman Eisel thanked Mrs. Darling and Mr. Cerosaletti for their presentation and noted that he looked forward to enjoying the refreshments.

For standing committee reports, Chairman of the Economic Development Committee Michael Triolo and Budget Director Bruce Dolph began a discussion of the possibility of imposing a bed tax in Delaware County.

Mr. Dolph advised that the Finance Committee has been in discussion with the Delaware County Chamber of Commerce about the implementation of a bed tax. The tax would be imposed on overnight occupancy stays within the county. This is a way for local governments to invest in the development of the local tourism industry by generating new revenues from visitors to our region rather than from local tax increases. The revenue from the bed tax would be used strictly for advertising, promoting tourism in the county and addressing tourism-related infrastructure needs. Imposing the bed tax would help to put the Delaware County Chamber of Commerce on a more equal playing field with surrounding counties who are already benefitting from this tax and are currently investing more than Delaware County in promoting tourism within their counties.

Mr. Triolo noted that Delaware County is one of only three counties across New York State that has not implemented a bed tax. Discussion of a bed tax came up during budget negotiations and is thought to be a means of funding the development of the county's tourism-industry without raising property taxes. The Chamber of Commerce is in favor of the bed tax. Senator Seward is also in favor and would introduce the legislation.

In answer to Mr. McCarthy, Mr. Triolo stated that he did not believe the bed tax would deter tourism in the county as all of the surrounding counties have implemented a bed tax. Mr. McCarthy commented that New York City has been losing bed tax revenue to New Jersey as a result of their excessive tax.

Mr. Triolo noted that the county would not impose an excessive tax, however, considering the tax rate of surrounding counties Delaware County could anticipate around \$40 to \$50 thousand of revenue in the first year of implementation.

Ms. Miller pointed out that there are an increased number of homes throughout the county being used as vacation rentals without submitting sales tax. She felt there would need to be a mechanism in place to encourage owners to operate above board.

Mr. Triolo stated that the county is unable to fund the Chamber of Commerce to the level of surrounding counties and this limits the county's ability to advertise and promote the area. Increased tourism benefits business owners and increases sales tax revenue.

Mr. Bracci said that he appreciates the effort to fund the Chamber and the county needs tourism and the revenue it creates. In so many cases, the county has had to come up with creative ways to increase taxes to pay for mandates. This tax allows the county to develop its best resource with the tax burden shifted to people who do not live in the county.

In answer to Mr. Hynes, Mr. Triolo advised that he was told the Chamber conducted a survey of its membership and that its members support the implementation of a bed tax.

Mr. Triolo replied in answer to Mrs. Capouya, that a decision has not been made as to the method or amount of tax to be imposed. He noted that he would be in favor a flat fee.

Mr. Rowe noted that he paid an eight and a quarter percent bed tax in addition to an 8 percent sales tax in Erie County and while on vacation in Georgia he paid an occupancy tax and a recreational tax. He added that he didn't ask what the taxes were when he booked, he just did what he had to do. He stated that he is in favor of the bed tax as long as the money is earmarked for the Chamber as he feels that increased sales tax revenue can be created by investing in the Chamber of Commerce.

Chairman Eisel noted that current legislation for the bed tax directs that the revenue to be given to the Chamber.

In answer to Chairman Eisel, Mr. Dolph advised that he and Mr. Triolo will keep the Board updated. He encouraged the Supervisors to discuss the matter in their town to gain a feeling from their constituents.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 143

**TITLE: 2013 CORNELL COOPERATIVE EXTENSION WEEK
& NATIONAL 4-H WEEK**

WHEREAS, Cornell Cooperative Extension of Delaware County is dedicated to growing healthy families, confident youth, successful farms and stronger communities; and

WHEREAS, Cornell Cooperative Extension represents a statewide system of partnerships working with federal, state and county governments; and

WHEREAS, the heart of Cooperative Extension is found in the strength of its 3,000 volunteers who give their time, expertise and enthusiasm as members of boards, as 4-H club leaders, and in Extension's educational outreach; and

WHEREAS, Cornell Cooperative Extension has served Delaware County for 100 years since 1913; and

WHEREAS, Cornell Cooperative Extension is proud of the 86 years of youth camping programs at 4-H Camp Shankitunk and the 6th year of 4C Camp for seniors; and

WHEREAS, Cornell Cooperative Extension of Delaware County continues to offer programs that link university-based research with the talents, enthusiasm and goals of our community; and

WHEREAS, Cornell Cooperative Extension of Delaware County has reached families, farmers, youth, consumers, gardeners, and agencies with excellent programs on agriculture and food systems sustainability, positive youth development, community and economic development, environment and natural resources education, nutrition, health, and safety; and

WHEREAS, Cornell Cooperative Extension of Delaware County will continue to work closely with its many local partners to offer educational programs that promote healthful eating, access to local foods, quality health care, safe housing, active living, confident youth, profitable agriculture, productive businesses, healthy families and communities

NOW, THEREFORE, BE RESOLVED that the Delaware County Board of Supervisors hereby designates the week of October 6-12, 2013 as Cornell Cooperative Extension Week and National 4-H Week in Delaware County during this Centennial Year of Cornell Cooperative Extension in Delaware County.

The resolution was seconded by Ms. Miller and unanimously.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 144

**TITLE: 2013 BUDGET AMENDMENT
RECEIPT OF FUNDS
OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK**

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Education is offering Delaware County a Local Government Records Management Improvement Fund (LGMIF) grant in the amount of \$9,973.85 to purchase a ScanPro 2000 with PowerScan Software to be used with Project Number 0580-14-4576, Document Conversion and Access project

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the 2013 budget be amended as follows:

INCREASE REVENUE:

10-11410-43306000/1410003/963	State Aid, Records Management	\$9,973.85
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INCREASE APPROPRIATION:

10-11410-52200001/1410003/963	Grant Equipment	\$3,560.00
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10-11410-54327200/1410003/963	Grant Contracted Services	\$395.00
10-11410-54327580/1410003/963	Grant Software	\$6,018.85

The resolution was seconded by Ms. Miller and adopted by the following vote: Ayes 4667, Noes 0, Absent 132 (Marshfield).

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

RESOLUTION NO. 145

**TITLE: 2013 BUDGET AMENDMENT
HELP AMERICANS VOTE ACT (HAVA) ELECTION GRANT
BOARD OF ELECTIONS**

WHEREAS, the Delaware County Board of Elections has been awarded a state grant for voting systems and supplies

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the 2013 budget be amended as follows:

INCREASE REVENUE:

10-11450-43308000/1450005/961	State Board of Elections	\$62,501.51
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INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

10-11450-52200001/1450005/961	Equipment Grant	\$57,450.00
10-11450-54327595/1450005/961	Grant Supplies	\$5,051.51

The resolution was seconded by Ms. Miller and adopted by the following vote: Ayes 4667, Noes 0, Absent 132 (Marshfield).

Ms. Molé offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION NO. 146

**TITLE: 2013 BUDGET AMENDMENT
SYSTEMS INTEGRATION PROGRAM FUNDING
OFFICE FOR THE AGING**

WHEREAS, the Office for the Aging has received \$36,800 to expand access to public benefits and support health promotion and wellness programming from Systems Integration program funding; and

WHEREAS, this funding will be used to engage in activities to streamline accessibility to public benefits, offer general assistance with understanding and/or completing benefits applications; partner with Alzheimer’s Association chapters to enhance linkages with the dementia network of services in New York State; establish and maintain partnerships that support care transitions activity; and support health promotion and wellness programming such as water exercise, fall prevention and stay healthy programs

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the 2013 budget be amended as follows:

REVENUES:

10-16772-43377200/6772039/977	State Programs for Aging	\$36,800.00
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APPROPRIATIONS:

10-16772-51000000/6772039/977	Personal Services	\$7,500.00
10-16772-52200000/6772039/977	Equipment	\$2,000.00
10-16772-54200000/6772039/977	Contracted Services	\$23,242.00
10-16772-54595380/6772039/977	Printing & Supplies	\$3,300.00
10-16772-54625010/6772039/977	Travel	\$758.00

The resolution was seconded by Mr. Donnelly.

Director of Office for the Aging Wayne Shepard explained in response to Mr. McCarthy, that the appropriation to Personal Services will help offset the salary of the NY Connects Program employee. The NY Connects Program is under the umbrella of the Office for the Aging but, the employee is contracted through Delaware Support and Services.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote: Ayes 4090, Noes 577 (McCarthy), Absent 132 (Marshfield).

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

RESOLUTION NO. 147

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

LETTING OF SEPTEMBER 12, 2013

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. 36-13 Purchase of New Tandem Axle Dump W/Plow,
Wing & Spreader to:

Beam Mack Sales & Service
6260 E. Molloy Rd.
E. Syracuse, NY 13057

Bid Price: \$208,636.00

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. Valente.

In answer to Mr. Triolo, Commissioner of Public Works Wayne Reynolds stated that the lowest bidder was unable to meet the front axle weight limit specified in the bid.

Mr. Rowe shared that a few years ago there was only one vendor that could meet the county's specifications for front axle weight limit. Improved technology has provided more vehicle options, allowing for greater competitiveness and creating better pricing than in the past.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote: Ayes 4667, Noes 0, Absent 132 (Marshfield).

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

RESOLUTION NO. 148

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

LETTING OF SEPTEMBER 12, 2013

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. 37-13 Purchase of New Single Axle Dump to:

Navistar, Inc. (Ben Funk)
399 Albany Shaker Rd, Suite 202
Loudonville, NY 12211

Bid Price: \$123,526.92

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. Spaccaferno and adopted by the following vote: Ayes 4667, Noes 0, Absent 132 (Marshfield).

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

RESOLUTION NO. 149

**TITLE: AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE
CITY OF NEW YORK FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF
A PORTION OF NYC HWY 30A IN THE TOWN OF ANDES
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

WHEREAS, the New York City Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) owns, maintains and operates approximately thirty-nine miles of public roads around the Pepacton and Cannonsville Reservoirs in the County; and

WHEREAS, DEP is desirous of contracting with the County for the reconstruction of approximately 12,144 feet of NYC Road 4 in the Town of Andes; and

WHEREAS, the DEP will deposit \$999,071.08 with the County prior to the start of the work to cover the reconstruction costs

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Chairman of the Board is authorized to enter into an agreement with the City of New York for the reconstruction work.

The resolution was seconded by Mr. Valente.

Commissioner Reynolds stated in reply to Mr. McCarthy, that the resolution brings \$1 million in revenue to the department. The revenue will cover the total cost of performing the work. The revenue will offset the department's sunk costs of employees and equipment assigned to the project and allows the department to purchase materials equal to that offset cost for use on the county system.

In answer to Chairman Eisel, Commissioner Reynolds stated that in the early 1990's the department was able to complete all forty miles of county roads in three years for \$4.379 million. The costs have increased so dramatically that it is costing the county \$1 million to complete two miles of road. The City is envisioning a ten-year program to accomplish 40 miles of road. If that goal is to be realized, the annual contracts must be enlarged.

The resolution was adopted by the following vote: Ayes 4667, Noes 0, Absent 132 (Marshfield).

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

RESOLUTION NO. 150

**TITLE: APPROVAL TENTATIVE AGREEMENT
SHERIFF'S CORRECTIONS OFFICERS**

WHEREAS, the Human Resources Committee has reached a tentative agreement with the Delaware County Corrections Officers, Local 3951, Law Enforcement Union, Council 82, AFSCME, AFL-CIO, for the terms and conditions of employment for the years 2012, 2013 and 2014.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that said tentative agreement is hereby approved as presented to the Board; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chairman of the Board is authorized to execute a collective bargaining agreement which incorporates the terms of said tentative agreement.

The resolution was seconded by Ms. Miller and unanimously adopted.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 151

TITLE: RE-APPOINTMENT DIRECTOR REAL PROPERTY TAX SERVICES II

BE IT RESOLVED that in accordance with §1530 of the Real Property Tax Law Michael Sabansky is hereby re-appointed as Director of Real Property Tax Services II for a six-year term effective October 1, 2013 to September 30, 2019;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said appointment shall be at the salary contained in the budget.

The resolution was seconded by Mr. Triolo and adopted by the following vote: Ayes 4246, Noes 421 (Axtell, Hynes), Absent 132 (Marshfield).

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

RESOLUTION NO. 152

TITLE: RESOLUTION URGING THE GOVERNOR AND STATE LEGISLATURE TO AVOID SHIFTING NEW COSTS TO COUNTIES AS THEY IMPLEMENT A STATE TAKEOVER OF LOCAL MEDICAID ADMINISTRATIVE FUNCTIONS DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

WHEREAS, state legislation has been enacted that calls for the New York State Commissioner of Health to continue the implementation of a state assumption of the administrative responsibilities of the medical assistance program (Medicaid); and

WHEREAS, the State touted this administrative takeover as a way to provide more consistency in the administration of Medicaid and as a way to direct cost savings to counties and New York City; and

WHEREAS, the implementation of the federal Affordable Care Act also provides funding incentives and opportunities to centralize certain aspects of Medicaid administration; and

WHEREAS, counties support efforts to streamline government operations in a way that can improve the delivery of services and responsiveness to recipients' needs, while not shifting costs to counties; and

WHEREAS, the State has enacted a cap in reimbursement to counties and New York City related to Medicaid administrative claiming, but this cap has been implemented prior to any meaningful takeover of local Medicaid administrative functions by the State; and

WHEREAS, this scenario, of capped reimbursement with minimal relief from administering the State's Medicaid program, creates significant fiscal and liability concerns for counties and is counterproductive in the current property tax cap environment; and

WHEREAS, county officials continue to work in close cooperation with State health officials on the rollout of the State takeover of Medicaid Administration, it is critical that adequate funding continue to be provided for local administration until the transition to a State administered system has been brought to fruition.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Delaware County Board of Supervisors urges the Governor and State Legislature to provide sufficient state resources to prevent cost shifts to counties during this transition and to continue to work with counties on takeover plans that are fair for state and county taxpayers and recipients; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that no reductions in reimbursement to counties for Medicaid administrative costs shall be made without commensurate reductions in local administrative responsibilities to avoid cost shifts and align the value of the responsibilities supported by counties across the State; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED no district shall be required to perform Medicaid functions unless performance of those functions is cost and liability neutral to the district; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Health should continue to work in partnership with county officials to provide a seamless level of care and coordination for New York's most vulnerable residents; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Health should provide specific time frames to counties to ease in the transition of personnel currently associated with the Medicaid program on a local level; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution be sent to Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, Senator James L. Seward, Senator John Bonacic, Senator Thomas W. Libous, Assemblyman Clifford W. Crouch, Assemblyman Peter Lopez, Assemblywoman Claudia Tenney, New York State Department of Health Commissioner Nirav R. Shah, New York State Comptroller Thomas DiNapoli and the New York State Association of Counties (NYSAC).

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

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

RESOLUTION NO. 153

TITLE: RESOLUTION CALLING ON THE GOVERNOR AND STATE LEGISLATURE TO CONTINUE TO SUPPORT A GRADUAL REDUCTION IN THE LOCAL SHARE OF MEDICAID COSTS BY AUGMENTING AUTOMATIC FEDERAL SAVINGS THAT ACCRUE TO NEW YORK COUNTIES UNDER THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT (ACA) WITH ADDITIONAL SAVINGS THE STATE CAN GENERATE BY FULLY LEVERAGING ALL FLEXIBILITIES ALLOWED UNDER THE ACA DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

WHEREAS, Medicaid is a federal and New York State designed and controlled health care program, whose costs represent the largest component of the state and county fiscal relationship, with total Medicaid program costs exceeding \$54 billion annually which includes \$9 million for Delaware County; and

WHEREAS, Governor Andrew M. Cuomo and the State Legislature have made important strides controlling cost growth in this program by fundamentally realigning the delivery of health care services in New York, while implementing a zero annual growth cap of local Medicaid costs effective in 2015; and

WHEREAS, enhanced federal financial support available under the ACA is required to be passed through to counties to alleviate local Medicaid cost shares; and

WHEREAS, even with these new federal resources nearly \$7.5 billion in mandated local Medicaid costs is embedded into counties' current aggregate tax base, and for Delaware County Medicaid costs equal about one-half of the property tax levy; and

WHEREAS, the State Legislature and Governor have made the reduction in property tax growth a top priority; and

WHEREAS, the ACA provides continued opportunities for New York State to lower Medicaid program costs beyond those related to enhanced federal matching funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Delaware County Board of Supervisors does hereby call on the Governor and New York State Legislature to diligently pursue the implementation of the Affordable Care Act and to work closely with the New York Congressional Delegation to preserve the enhanced Medicaid matching rates available to the State under the law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in an effort to lower the property tax burden in New York, Delaware County calls on the Governor and Legislature to continue to:

- Fully leverage all federal health reform flexibilities and enhanced payment rates available under the ACA,
- Maximize federal resources available through the 1115 Medicaid waiver process,

- Lower state and local Medicaid costs by examining current State eligibility and benefit levels in Medicaid that can be shifted to health insurance coverage supported with federal dollars under the ACA,
- Maximizing expenditure controls through enhanced Medicaid program integrity efforts in conjunction with the counties and New York City, and
- Work to direct a portion of any further savings from these actions toward lowering and eventually eliminating the local contribution counties and New York City provide to support the State’s Medicaid program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to the sixty-two counties of New York State encouraging member counties to enact similar resolutions; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution be sent to Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, Senator John Bonacic, Senator James L. Seward, Senator Thomas W. Libous, Assemblyman Clifford W. Crouch, Assemblyman Peter Lopez, Assemblywoman Claudia Tenney New York State Department of Health Commissioner Nirav R. Shah, New York State Comptroller Thomas DiNapoli and the New York State Association of Counties (NYSAC).

The resolution was seconded by Mr. Spaccaforo.

Mr. Bracci commented that he hoped this and the next resolution will help provide some local relief and the county can begin to put its tax money to use on local projects.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

Chairman Eisel waived Board Rule 10 to permit the introduction without objection of the following not-pre-filed resolutions

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

RESOLUTION NO. 154

**TITLE: DESIGNATION OF DELAWARE COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
AS TOURISM PROMOTION AGENCY FOR DELAWARE COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Delaware County Chamber of Commerce be designated as the Tourism Promotion Agency for Delaware County, for the purpose of making applications for and receiving grants under Section 100[6] of the Economic Development Law, with the Chamber of Commerce to provide the required local matching funds for the “I Love New York” tourism promotion 2014 program.

The resolution was seconded by Ms. Miller and unanimously adopted.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 155

TITLE: PAYMENT OF AUDIT

WHEREAS, bills and claims submitted and duly audited by the Clerk of the Board's office in the amount of \$938,704.78 were hereby presented to the Finance Committee for approval for payment on September 20, 2013 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	\$709,029.40
OET	\$20,600.85
Highway Audits, as Follows:	
Weights & Measures	\$198.41
Road	\$81,002.38
Machinery	\$48,596.57
Capital Road & Bridge	\$5,653.26
Capital Solid Waste	\$45,732.40
Solid Waste/Landfill	\$27,891.51

WHEREAS, bills and claims submitted and duly audited by the Clerk of the Board's office in the amount of \$957,908.92 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	\$596,666.19
OET	\$28,056.99
Public Safety Comm System	\$67,616.86
Highway Audits, as Follows:	
Weights and Measures	\$51.15
Road	\$13,672.32
Machinery	\$76,681.52
Capital Road & Bridge	\$56,522.78
Capital Solid Waste	\$0.00
Solid Waste/Landfill	\$118,641.11

The resolution was seconded by Mr. Donnelly and Mr. Spaccaforno and adopted by the following vote: Ayes 4667, Noes 0, Absent 132 (Marshfield).

Upon a motion, the meeting adjourned at 1:55 p.m.