



AG/Planning/Environmental

Committee Meeting

60 Central Ave.
Cortland, NY 13045
<http://www.cortland-co.org>

~ Minutes ~

Thursday, March 14, 2024

10:00 AM

Room 302

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM by Committee Chair Beau Harbin

Attendee Name	Organization	Title	Status	Arrived
Sandra Price	Cortland County, NY	Committee Member	Present	
Beau Harbin	Cortland County, NY	Committee Chair	Present	
Paul Heider	Cortland County, NY	Committee Member	Present	
Susan Wilson	Cortland County, NY	Committee Member	Excused	
Mitchel Eccleston	Cortland County, NY	Committee Member	Present	
William McGovern	Cortland County, NY	Committee Member	Present	
Reed Cleland	Cortland County, NY	Committee Member	Present	
Savannah Hempstead	Cortland County, NY	Clerk of the Legislature	Present	
Rob Corpora	Cortland County, NY	County Administrator	Present	
Melanie Vilardi	Cortland County, NY	Deputy County Administrator	Present	
Amanda Bareber	Soil & Water Conservation District	Director	Present	
David Rutherford	Cortland County, NY	Executive Director, Cornell Cooperative Extension	Present	
Trisha Hiemstra	Cortland County, NY	Planning Director	Present	
Melissa Potter	Cortland County, NY	Mobility Manager	Present	
Margaret Mellott	Cortland Standard	Reporter	Present	
Ronald J. Van Dee	Cortland County, NY	Board Member	Late	10:16 AM
Cathy Bischoff	Cortland County, NY	Board Member	Late	10:38 AM
Andrea Herzog	Cortland County, NY	Director of Finance	Remote	
Donald Chu	Cortland County, NY	Resident	Remote	
Mecke Nagel	Cortland County, NY	Resident	Late	11:00 AM

MINUTES

1. Ag/Planning/Environmental - Committee Meeting - Feb 8, 2024 10:00 AM

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Sandra Price, Committee Member
SECONDER:	Paul Heider, Committee Member
AYES:	Price, Harbin, Heider, Eccleston, McGovern, Cleland
EXCUSED:	Susan Wilson

RESOLUTIONS

MONTHLY REPORTS

1. Cornell Cooperative Extension Monthly Report

RESULT:	COMPLETED
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2. SPCA Monthly Report

RESULT:	COMPLETED
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3. Soil & Water Conservation District Monthly Report

RESULT:	COMPLETED
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4. Activity Report - March 2024 - Planning Department

RESULT:	COMPLETED
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DISCUSSION ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was closed at 11:04 AM



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Kate Downes		Seven Valleys/Cortland Harvest	Present	
Melanie Vilardi	Cortland County, NY	Deputy County Administrator	Present	
Ronald J. Van Dee	Cortland County, NY	Board Member	Present	
Margaret Mellott	Cortland Standard	Reporter	Remote	
Andrea Herzog	Cortland County, NY	Director of Finance	Remote	
Nicole Compton	Cortland County, NY	Secretary to the County Attorney	Remote	
Kevin Fitch	Cortland County, NY	Chair of the Legislature	Remote	
Jessica Leet	Cortland County, NY	Planning Department	Remote	

Minutes Acceptance: Minutes of Feb 8, 2024 10:00 AM (MINUTES)

MINUTES

1. Ag/Planning/Environmental - Committee Meeting - Jan 11, 2024 10:00 AM

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Paul Heider, Committee Member
SECONDER:	Sandra Price, Committee Member
AYES:	Price, Harbin, Heider, Wilson, Eccleston, McGovern, Cleland

RESOLUTIONS

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1 – Authorize Agreement for 2022 Mobility Management Capital Agreement Contract

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
	Next: 2/22/2024 6:00 PM
MOVER:	Susan Wilson, Committee Member
SECONDER:	Mitchel Eccleston, Committee Member
AYES:	Price, Harbin, Heider, Wilson, Eccleston, McGovern, Cleland

ON MOTION OF HARBIN**RESOLUTION NO.****Authorize Agreement for 2022 Mobility Management Capital Agreement Contract**

WHEREAS, the Cortland County Legislature adopted Resolution No. 244-22, which authorized the County of Cortland to submit a request for the consolidated grant funds to the New York State Department of Transportation, pursuant to Federal Section 5311, Title 49 United States Code, for projects(s) to provide public mass transportation service for fixed route and demand responsive service throughout the County, with limited service to contiguous counties by Cortland County's public transportation provider and the purchase of capital equipment that would consist of transportation facility, new buses, other equipment, that would be used by Cortland County's public transportation provider and the continuation of Mobility Management for fiscal years 2021, 2022 and 2023 and has a committed local share; AND

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Transportation is requesting a resolution to indicate Cortland County's acceptance of the Mass Transportation Capital Agreement under State Contract Number C004119 to include specific PIN Numbers:

PIN Number 3790.02.102	2022 Mobility Management Program (ADTAP)
PIN Number 3790.04.102	2022 Mobility Management Program

; NOW THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that the total project cost is \$211,648; AND BE IT FUTHER

RESOLVED, that the County Administrator, upon review and approval by the County Attorney or designee, be and hereby is authorized to sign the New York State Department of Transportation Mass Capital Agreement Contract C004119 for specific PIN Numbers stated above.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2 – Adopt Transit Passenger and Visitor Standards and Conduct Policy

Minutes Acceptance: Minutes of Feb 8, 2024 10:00 AM (MINUTES)

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
	Next: 2/22/2024 6:00 PM
MOVER:	Reed Cleland, Committee Member
SECONDER:	Susan Wilson, Committee Member
AYES:	Price, Harbin, Heider, Wilson, Eccleston, McGovern, Cleland

ON MOTION OF HARBIN**RESOLUTION NO.****Adopt Transit Passenger and Visitor Standards and Conduct Policy**

WHEREAS, there has been no formal policy for the Cortland County Transportation System addressing standards of conduct on transit vehicles; AND

WHEREAS, the Passenger and Visitor Standards of Conduct Policy will be shared and posted for the general public, as well as provide guidance to the operator; AND

WHEREAS, the Cortland County Planning Department and the Agriculture, Planning and Environment Committee recommends the adoption of a Passenger and Visitor Standards of Conduct Policy to help ensure the safety, health, and welfare of transit staff, passengers, and the general public; NOW THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Cortland County Legislature, upon approval of the County Attorney, hereby adopts the attached Cortland County Transit Passenger and Visitor Standards of Conduct Policy effective immediately; AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, that said policy shall be made available to the general public.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Committee Approval/Support - Solar Project at Cortland County Airport

RESULT:	NO ACTION
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DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Cortland Harvest Update

RESULT:	COMPLETED
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MONTHLY REPORTS

1. Cooperative Extension Monthly Report

RESULT:	COMPLETED
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2. Planning Department Activity Report - February 2024

RESULT:	COMPLETED
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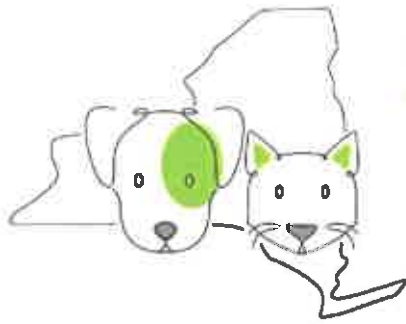
3. February Report - Soil and Water Conservation District

RESULT:	COMPLETED
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ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was closed at 11:05 AM

Minutes Acceptance: Minutes of Feb 8, 2024 10:00 AM (MINUTES)



CORTLAND COUNTY SPCA

879 McLean Road
Cortland, NY 13045
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www.CortlandSPCA.org

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(2/1/24 - 2/29/24)

Impounding and Boarding (excluding Article 7/Local Ordinance - Dog Control)

		# of Days	Cost
Canine	Impounded - Day 1	6	\$180.00
	Boarded Current Month	461	\$2,305.00
	Total Canine	467	\$2,485.00
Feline	Impounded - Day 1	12	\$360.00
	Boarded Current Month	363	\$1,815.00
	Total Feline	375	\$2,175.00
Other	Impounded - Day 1		\$0.00
	Boarded Current Month		\$0.00
	Total Other	0	\$0.00
Total Impounding and Boarding		842	\$4,660.00

Cortland County SPCA - Humane Law Enforcement Report

February 2024 (2/1/24 - 2/29/24)

*Prior month(s) - entered after previous month report

Town of Cincinnatus

Complaints This Month	1
Complaints YTD	1

Animal Cruelty:

*Prior
Month(s)

Dog/Cat Abandonment	0	
Dog/Cat Neglect or Abuse	1	
Unable to Care For	0	
Displaced Animal/Person	0	
Dog/Cat Sick or Injured	0	
Other Neglect or Cruelty	0	
Inadequate Shelter	0	
Hot/Cold Vehicle	0	
Loose Farm Animal/Public Safety	0	
NY AGM 377 Dead Animal/Disposal	0	
NY AGM 373-4 Seizure	0	
Wildlife Sick/Injured	0	
Humane Education	0	

Dispositions:

Completed/Follow Up	0
Notice to Comply	0
Compliance	0
No Violation/Unfounded	1
Animal Picked Up/Impound	0
Unable to Catch/Locate	0
Animal Transported for Medical Care/DOA	0
Owner Surrender	0
Safe Keeping	0
Necessary Advice Rendered	0
Referral/Turned Over to Appropriate Party	0
Open/Pending Investigation	0
Tickets/Charges/Arrest	0

Narrative: Report of a dog frequently seen outside, no shelter visible - second report which was previously dealt with, the dog enjoys being outside and is let inside when he wishes - no violation.

Town of Cortlandville

Complaints This Month	6
Complaints YTD	11

Animal Cruelty:

*Prior
Month(s)

Dog/Cat Abandonment	0	
Dog/Cat Neglect or Abuse	3	
Unable to Care For	1	
Displaced Animal/Person	1	
Dog/Cat Sick or Injured	1	
Other Neglect or Cruelty	0	
Inadequate Shelter	0	
Hot/Cold Vehicle	0	
Loose Farm Animal/Public Safety	0	
NY AGM 377 Dead Animal/Disposal	0	
NY AGM 373-4 Seizure	0	
Wildlife Sick/Injured	0	
Humane Education	0	

Dispositions:

Completed/Follow Up	1
Notice to Comply	0
Compliance	0
No Violation/Unfounded	1
Animal Picked Up/Impound	0
Unable to Catch/Locate	0
Animal Transported for Medical Care/DOA	1
Owner Surrender	1
Safe Keeping	1
Necessary Advice Rendered	0
Referral/Turned Over to Appropriate Party	0
Open/Pending Investigation	1
Tickets/Charges/Arrest	0

Narrative: Displaced person in need of temporary shelter for his dog - dog brought in by owner for safe keeping. Complainant calling to advise SPCA of potential adopter's previous history of abuse to animals - complete. Cat hit by car with injuries - cat transported to Cornell for medical care. Report of dog owner being heard hitting the dog - open/pending investigation.

Cortland County SPCA - Humane Law Enforcement Report

February 2024 (2/1/24 - 2/29/24)

Town of Cuyler

Complaints This Month	0
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Complaints YTD	1
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Animal Cruelty:

*Prior
Month(s)

Dog/Cat Abandonment	0	
Dog/Cat Neglect or Abuse	0	
Unable to Care For	0	
Displaced Animal/Person	0	
Dog/Cat Sick or Injured	0	
Other Neglect or Cruelty	0	
Inadequate Shelter	0	
Hot/Cold Vehicle	0	
Loose Farm Animal/Public Safety	0	
NY AGM 377 Dead Animal/Disposal	0	
NY AGM 373-4 Seizure	0	
Wildlife Sick/Injured	0	
Humane Education	0	

Dispositions:

Completed/Follow Up	0
Notice to Comply	0
Compliance	0
No Violation/Unfounded	0
Animal Picked Up/Impound	0
Unable to Catch/Locate	0
Animal Transported for Medical Care/DOA	0
Owner Surrender	0
Safe Keeping	0
Necessary Advice Rendered	0
Referral/Turned Over to Appropriate Party	0
Open/Pending Investigation	0
Tickets/Charges/Arrest	0

Narrative: No complaint responses for animal cruelty this month.

Town of Freetown

Complaints This Month	0
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Complaints YTD	0
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Animal Cruelty:

*Prior
Month(s)

Dog/Cat Abandonment	0	
Dog/Cat Neglect or Abuse	0	
Unable to Care For	0	
Displaced Animal/Person	0	
Dog/Cat Sick or Injured	0	
Other Neglect or Cruelty	0	
Inadequate Shelter	0	
Hot/Cold Vehicle	0	
Loose Farm Animal/Public Safety	0	
NY AGM 377 Dead Animal/Disposal	0	
NY AGM 373-4 Seizure	0	
Wildlife Sick/Injured	0	
Humane Education	0	

Dispositions:

Completed/Follow Up	0
Notice to Comply	0
Compliance	0
No Violation/Unfounded	0
Animal Picked Up/Impound	0
Unable to Catch/Locate	0
Animal Transported for Medical Care/DOA	0
Owner Surrender	0
Safe Keeping	0
Necessary Advice Rendered	0
Referral/Turned Over to Appropriate Party	0
Open/Pending Investigation	0
Tickets/Charges/Arrest	0

Narrative: No complaint responses for animal cruelty this month.

Cortland County SPCA - Humane Law Enforcement Report

February 2024 (2/1/24 - 2/29/24)

Town of Harford

Complaints This Month	4
Complaints YTD	6

<u>Animal Cruelty:</u>		*Prior Month(s)
Dog/Cat Abandonment	0	
Dog/Cat Neglect or Abuse	2	
Unable to Care For	0	
Displaced Animal/Person	0	
Dog/Cat Sick or Injured	1	
Other Neglect or Cruelty	0	
Inadequate Shelter	1	
Hot/Cold Vehicle	0	
Loose Farm Animal/Public Safety	0	
NY AGM 377 Dead Animal/Disposal	0	
NY AGM 373-4 Seizure	0	
Wildlife Sick/Injured	0	
Humane Education	0	

<u>Dispositions:</u>	
Completed/Follow Up	1
Notice to Comply	0
Compliance	0
No Violation/Unfounded	1
Animal Picked Up/Impound	0
Unable to Catch/Locate	0
Animal Transported for Medical Care/DOA	1
Owner Surrender	0
Safe Keeping	0
Necessary Advice Rendered	0
Referral/Turned Over to Appropriate Party	0
Open/Pending Investigation	1
Tickets/Charges/Arrest	0

Narrative: Report of German Shepherd limping and looks thin - owner has complied with making a vet appointment for the dog and release of medical records to SPCA, open investigation. Report of dogs being tied outside - dogs have shelter with straw, no violation. Report of a dog vomiting blood - upon seeing dog, no evidence of report, owner was advised to get dog to a vet for check up with in 24 hours, follow-up needed.

Town of Homer

Complaints This Month	4
Complaints YTD	5

<u>Animal Cruelty:</u>		*Prior Month(s)
Dog/Cat Abandonment	1	
Dog/Cat Neglect or Abuse	0	
Unable to Care For	0	1
Displaced Animal/Person	1	
Dog/Cat Sick or Injured	0	
Other Neglect or Cruelty	1	
Inadequate Shelter	0	
Hot/Cold Vehicle	0	
Loose Farm Animal/Public Safety	0	
NY AGM 377 Dead Animal/Disposal	0	
NY AGM 373-4 Seizure	0	
Wildlife Sick/Injured	0	
Humane Education	0	

<u>Dispositions:</u>	
Completed/Follow Up	0
Notice to Comply	0
Compliance	0
No Violation/Unfounded	1
Animal Picked Up/Impound	0
Unable to Catch/Locate	0
Animal Transported for Medical Care/DOA	0
Owner Surrender	0
Safe Keeping	1
Necessary Advice Rendered	1
Referral/Turned Over to Appropriate Party	0
Open/Pending Investigation	0
Tickets/Charges/Arrest	0

Narrative: Displaced person in need of temporary shelter for a dog and cat - two pets picked up and transported to shelter for safe keeping. Report of horse without food/water and proper shelter - horse has appropriate shelter, food/water - unfounded. Report of stray cat that was abandoned - necessary advice rendered per stray/feral cats.

Cortland County SPCA - Humane Law Enforcement Report

February 2024 (2/1/24 - 2/29/24)

Town of Lapeer

Complaints This Month	2
Complaints YTD	3

<u>Animal Cruelty:</u>		*Prior Month(s)
Dog/Cat Abandonment	1	
Dog/Cat Neglect or Abuse	0	
Unable to Care For	0	
Displaced Animal/Person	0	
Dog/Cat Sick or Injured	0	
Other Neglect or Cruelty	0	
Inadequate Shelter	1	
Hot/Cold Vehicle	0	
Loose Farm Animal/Public Safety	0	
NY AGM 377 Dead Animal/Disposal	0	
NY AGM 373-4 Seizure	0	
Wildlife Sick/Injured	0	
Humane Education	0	

<u>Dispositions:</u>	
Completed/Follow Up	0
Notice to Comply	0
Compliance	0
No Violation/Unfounded	1
Animal Picked Up/Impound	0
Unable to Catch/Locate	1
Animal Transported for Medical Care/DOA	0
Owner Surrender	0
Safe Keeping	0
Necessary Advice Rendered	0
Referral/Turned Over to Appropriate Party	0
Open/Pending Investigation	0
Tickets/Charges/Arrest	0

Narrative: Report of dogs in a trailer without heat - dogs all in good body condition, dogs were outside, but had shelter, no violation, necessary advice rendered per NYS shelter law. Report of litter of Beagle puppies abandoned roadside - two SPCA investigators drove the area several times, no puppies found.

Town/Village of Marathon

Complaints This Month	0
Complaints YTD	0

<u>Animal Cruelty:</u>		*Prior Month(s)
Dog/Cat Abandonment	0	
Dog/Cat Neglect or Abuse	0	
Unable to Care For	0	
Displaced Animal/Person	0	
Dog/Cat Sick or Injured	0	
Other Neglect or Cruelty	0	
Inadequate Shelter	0	
Hot/Cold Vehicle	0	
Loose Farm Animal/Public Safety	0	
NY AGM 377 Dead Animal/Disposal	0	
NY AGM 373-4 Seizure	0	
Wildlife Sick/Injured	0	
Humane Education	0	

<u>Dispositions:</u>	
Completed/Follow Up	0
Notice to Comply	0
Compliance	0
No Violation/Unfounded	0
Animal Picked Up/Impound	0
Unable to Catch/Locate	0
Animal Transported for Medical Care/DOA	0
Owner Surrender	0
Safe Keeping	0
Necessary Advice Rendered	0
Referral/Turned Over to Appropriate Party	0
Open/Pending Investigation	0
Tickets/Charges/Arrest	0

Narrative: No complaint responses for animal cruelty this month.

Cortland County SPCA - Humane Law Enforcement Report

February 2024 (2/1/24 - 2/29/24)

Village of McGraw

Complaints This Month	1
Complaints YTD	3

<u>Animal Cruelty:</u>		*Prior Month(s)
Dog/Cat Abandonment	0	
Dog/Cat Neglect or Abuse	0	
Unable to Care For	1	
Displaced Animal/Person	0	
Dog/Cat Sick or Injured	0	
Other Neglect or Cruelty	0	
Inadequate Shelter	0	
Hot/Cold Vehicle	0	
Loose Farm Animal/Public Safety	0	
NY AGM 377 Dead Animal/Disposal	0	
NY AGM 373-4 Seizure	0	
Wildlife Sick/Injured	0	
Humane Education	0	

<u>Dispositions:</u>	
Completed/Follow Up	0
Notice to Comply	0
Compliance	0
No Violation/Unfounded	0
Animal Picked Up/Impound	0
Unable to Catch/Locate	0
Animal Transported for Medical Care/DOA	0
Owner Surrender	1
Safe Keeping	0
Necessary Advice Rendered	0
Referral/Turned Over to Appropriate Party	0
Open/Pending Investigation	0
Tickets/Charges/Arrest	0

Narrative: Owner's health has declined and is unable to care for dog - owner surrender.

Town of Preble

Complaints This Month	0
Complaints YTD	0

<u>Animal Cruelty:</u>		*Prior Month(s)
Dog/Cat Abandonment	0	
Dog/Cat Neglect or Abuse	0	
Unable to Care For	0	
Displaced Animal/Person	0	
Dog/Cat Sick or Injured	0	
Other Neglect or Cruelty	0	
Inadequate Shelter	0	
Hot/Cold Vehicle	0	
Loose Farm Animal/Public Safety	0	
NY AGM 377 Dead Animal/Disposal	0	
NY AGM 373-4 Seizure	0	
Wildlife Sick/Injured	0	
Humane Education	0	

<u>Dispositions:</u>	
Completed/Follow Up	0
Notice to Comply	0
Compliance	0
No Violation/Unfounded	0
Animal Picked Up/Impound	0
Unable to Catch/Locate	0
Animal Transported for Medical Care/DOA	0
Owner Surrender	0
Safe Keeping	0
Necessary Advice Rendered	0
Referral/Turned Over to Appropriate Party	0
Open/Pending Investigation	0
Tickets/Charges/Arrest	0

Narrative: No complaint responses for animal cruelty this month.

Cortland County SPCA - Humane Law Enforcement Report
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Town of Scott

Complaints This Month	2
Complaints YTD	2

<u>Animal Cruelty:</u>		*Prior Month(s)
Dog/Cat Abandonment	0	
Dog/Cat Neglect or Abuse	1	1
Unable to Care For	0	
Displaced Animal/Person	0	
Dog/Cat Sick or Injured	0	
Other Neglect or Cruelty	0	
Inadequate Shelter	0	
Hot/Cold Vehicle	0	
Loose Farm Animal/Public Safety	0	
NY AGM 377 Dead Animal/Disposal	0	
NY AGM 373-4 Seizure	0	
Wildlife Sick/Injured	0	
Humane Education	0	

<u>Dispositions:</u>	
Completed/Follow Up	0
Notice to Comply	0
Compliance	0
No Violation/Unfounded	1
Animal Picked Up/Impound	0
Unable to Catch/Locate	0
Animal Transported for Medical Care/DOA	0
Owner Surrender	0
Safe Keeping	0
Necessary Advice Rendered	0
Referral/Turned Over to Appropriate Party	0
Open/Pending Investigation	0
Tickets/Charges/Arrest	0

Narrative: Report of unhealthy/unsanitary conditions in residence for dogs - conditions acceptable, no violation.

Town of Solon

Complaints This Month	1
Complaints YTD	7

<u>Animal Cruelty:</u>		*Prior Month(s)
Dog/Cat Abandonment	0	
Dog/Cat Neglect or Abuse	0	
Unable to Care For	0	
Displaced Animal/Person	0	
Dog/Cat Sick or Injured	0	1
Other Neglect or Cruelty	0	
Inadequate Shelter	0	
Hot/Cold Vehicle	0	
Loose Farm Animal/Public Safety	0	
NY AGM 377 Dead Animal/Disposal	0	
NY AGM 373-4 Seizure	0	
Wildlife Sick/Injured	0	
Humane Education	0	

<u>Dispositions:</u>	
Completed/Follow Up	0
Notice to Comply	0
Compliance	0
No Violation/Unfounded	0
Animal Picked Up/Impound	0
Unable to Catch/Locate	0
Animal Transported for Medical Care/DOA	0
Owner Surrender	0
Safe Keeping	0
Necessary Advice Rendered	0
Referral/Turned Over to Appropriate Party	0
Open/Pending Investigation	0
Tickets/Charges/Arrest	0

Narrative: No complaint responses for animal cruelty this month.

Cortland County SPCA - Humane Law Enforcement Report

February 2024 (2/1/24 - 2/29/24)

Town of Taylor

Complaints This Month	1
Complaints YTD	1

<u>Animal Cruelty:</u>		*Prior Month(s)
Dog/Cat Abandonment	0	
Dog/Cat Neglect or Abuse	0	
Unable to Care For	0	
Displaced Animal/Person	0	
Dog/Cat Sick or Injured	0	
Other Neglect or Cruelty	1	
Inadequate Shelter	0	
Hot/Cold Vehicle	0	
Loose Farm Animal/Public Safety	0	
NY AGM 377 Dead Animal/Disposal	0	
NY AGM 373-4 Seizure	0	
Wildlife Sick/Injured	0	
Humane Education	0	

<u>Dispositions:</u>	
Completed/Follow Up	1
Notice to Comply	0
Compliance	0
No Violation/Unfounded	0
Animal Picked Up/Impound	0
Unable to Catch/Locate	0
Animal Transported for Medical Care/DOA	0
Owner Surrender	0
Safe Keeping	0
Necessary Advice Rendered	0
Referral/Turned Over to Appropriate Party	0
Open/Pending Investigation	0
Tickets/Charges/Arrest	0

Narrative: Report of horse with front feet in bad shape - the horse is old, front hooves are a bit overgrown, owner has appointment with ferrier, SPCA to follow up.

Town of Truxton

Complaints This Month	1
Complaints YTD	1

<u>Animal Cruelty:</u>		*Prior Month(s)
Dog/Cat Abandonment	1	
Dog/Cat Neglect or Abuse	0	
Unable to Care For	0	
Displaced Animal/Person	0	
Dog/Cat Sick or Injured	0	
Other Neglect or Cruelty	0	
Inadequate Shelter	0	
Hot/Cold Vehicle	0	
Loose Farm Animal/Public Safety	0	
NY AGM 377 Dead Animal/Disposal	0	
NY AGM 373-4 Seizure	0	
Wildlife Sick/Injured	0	
Humane Education	0	

<u>Dispositions:</u>	
Completed/Follow Up	0
Notice to Comply	0
Compliance	0
No Violation/Unfounded	0
Animal Picked Up/Impound	1
Unable to Catch/Locate	0
Animal Transported for Medical Care/DOA	0
Owner Surrender	0
Safe Keeping	0
Necessary Advice Rendered	0
Referral/Turned Over to Appropriate Party	0
Open/Pending Investigation	0
Tickets/Charges/Arrest	0

Narrative: Report of dog abandoned roadside with a bag of food - dog picked up and transported to shelter for intake.

Cortland County SPCA - Humane Law Enforcement Report

February 2024 (2/1/24 - 2/29/24)

Town of Virgil

Complaints This Month 3

Complaints YTD 3

Animal Cruelty:* Prior
Month(s)

Dog/Cat Abandonment	0	
Dog/Cat Neglect or Abuse	2	
Unable to Care For	0	
Displaced Animal/Person	0	
Dog/Cat Sick or Injured	0	
Other Neglect or Cruelty	0	
Inadequate Shelter	0	
Hot/Cold Vehicle	1	
Loose Farm Animal/Public Safety	0	
NY AGM 377 Dead Animal/Disposal	0	
NY AGM 373-4 Seizure	0	
Wildlife Sick/Injured	0	
Humane Education	0	

Dispositions:

Completed/Follow Up	0
Notice to Comply	0
Compliance	0
No Violation/Unfounded	2
Animal Picked Up/Impound	0
Unable to Catch/Locate	0
Animal Transported for Medical Care/DOA	0
Owner Surrender	0
Safe Keeping	0
Necessary Advice Rendered	1
Referral/Turned Over to Appropriate Party	0
Open/Pending Investigation	0
Tickets/Charges/Arrest	0

Narrative: Request for welfare check on two dogs, residence frequently visited by police - no dogs are on the premises. Report of dog in vehicle - investigator found the dog in vehicle at location, paged owner, rendered necessary advice per temperature violation and advised to take the dog home. Report of several types of animals living in poor conditions, donkeys/horses with overgrown hooves - all animals were checked and in good condition, all have shelter, food/water, donkeys/horses hooves are not overgrown - unfounded.

Town of Willet

Complaints This Month 0

Complaints YTD 0

Animal Cruelty:* Prior
Month(s)

Dog/Cat Abandonment	0	
Dog/Cat Neglect or Abuse	0	
Unable to Care For	0	
Displaced Animal/Person	0	
Dog/Cat Sick or Injured	0	
Other Neglect or Cruelty	0	
Inadequate Shelter	0	
Hot/Cold Vehicle	0	
Loose Farm Animal/Public Safety	0	
NY AGM 377 Dead Animal/Disposal	0	
NY AGM 373-4 Seizure	0	
Wildlife Sick/Injured	0	
Humane Education	0	

Dispositions:

Completed/Follow Up	0
Notice to Comply	0
Compliance	0
No Violation/Unfounded	0
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Animal Transported for Medical Care/DOA	0
Owner Surrender	0
Safe Keeping	0
Necessary Advice Rendered	0
Referral/Turned Over to Appropriate Party	0
Open/Pending Investigation	0
Tickets/Charges/Arrest	0

Narrative: No complaint responses for animal cruelty this month.

Complaint Totals this Month: 26

Complaints YTD: 44

After Hour Calls this Month: 8

After Hour Calls YTD: 8



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SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT MONTHLY REPORT - March

From: Amanda Barber, SWCD Manager

March 8, 2024

AGRICULTURE AND PRIVATE LAND CONSERVATION

Agricultural Environmental Management (AEM) – We have closed the AEM Base 17 contract for work completed in 2022-23.

Agricultural Nonpoint Abatement and Control Program (AGNP) – We have closed the Round 24 Planning Grant. Round 27 and 28 design work continues for two projects slated for 2024 implementation with a third completed. Postcards have gone out for that site showing. Round 29 projects are also beginning to advance. We are coordinating with USDA-NRCS as they are providing partial funding for several of these projects.

Climate Resilient Farming – Three Round 5 projects are complete and grants are ready to close out. The permit and design is complete for one Round 6 project and we are scheduling a site showing. The other four Round 6 projects are in various stages of design. Contracting is underway for the six Round 7 applications recently funded.

Cover crops - We are still awaiting USC cover crop funding to complete cover crop payments to eligible farms.

Natural resource conservation – we continue to seek landowners and municipalities interested in tree planting and buffers. Staff are working with several landowners to plan projects on their property that will include wetland creation, buffer planting and upland tree planting. We can secure free tree and shrub seedlings and saplings for qualifying projects. Interested landowners should contact SWCD for more information as soon as possible.

COMMUNITY NATURAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT AND PLANNING

Little York Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District (LYLPRD) – Plans for lake management activities are underway for 2024. We are planning to contract for weed harvesting services, but recently applied for grant funding toward the purchase of a harvester.

Skaneateles Lake Watershed and Skaneateles Lake 9E Plan – A recording of the 2nd public meeting held January 30th and other information about the plan and process is available at <https://skaneateles9e.cnyrpd.org>. Another public meeting will be held for presentation of the Final Draft Plan at the end of March or early April.

The **Eastern Finger Lakes Coalition of Districts** has developed a draft work plan in preparation for receiving \$1.2 million currently in the Governor's EPF budget to support District capacity in the Coalition.

Members of the Finger Lakes-Lake Ontario Watershed Protection Alliance provided educational information including project reports and highlights to local legislators. The FY 2024-25 request of all member counties totaled \$3.5 million. The proposed EPF budget includes level funding of \$2.75 million which would be \$107,200 for Cortland County. We were asking for \$137,500.

Stream Restoration and Culvert Rehabilitation – We are finishing compiling documentation for the Sustain Our Great Lakes (SOGL) grant. All project as-builts are complete and approved. We have submitted stream

disturbance permit applications for two additional projects planned for 2024 construction. We are working on getting a final design approved for the Grout Brook culvert replacement and will begin ordering materials ASAP. We are scheduling a landowner meeting to discuss the Merrill Creek project. The extent of the work area has increased significantly due to changes in the stream and consent of several other landowners will be needed before the design and project can be completed. We are still working on contracting for several WQIP grants, and conversion of the state's grants management to SFS has stalled progress.

Forestry – We will be getting large stock (potted) trees for spring planting in the waterworks and on the DOT property behind Wendy's. We are still able to support any community with larger tree stock if they are interested in planting trees on any public property, or in cooperation with private landowners.

Our Spring Seedling Sale is underway. The online store is open for self-service purchase of a variety of native and naturalized tree and shrub seedlings, as well as conservation products such as wildlife boxes, flags, stakes and tree protection tubes until April 1st. The link is <https://cortlandsoilandwaterconservationdistrict.myshopify.com/> You can also access the tree sales website from Facebook or our website www.cortlandswcd.org

CONSERVATION EDUCATION AND PROGRAMS

We had about 30 attendees at the 4-hr Contractor Erosion and Sediment Control training on March 5th.

Cortland County Envirothon planning is underway. It will be held early May. The NYS Envirothon will be held at SUNY Cortland this year on May 22 and 23. We are coordinating two tours for advisors and chaperones. One will be a tour of the Gutches Lumber Company facilities and the second will be a conservation tour featuring conservation practices installed with SWCD assistance.

SWCD will be presenting at the 2024 Girls Day Out at TC3 on Saturday 3/9/2024.

The 2024 Water Festival will be June 1st.

Our grant application for Aquatic Invasive Species Spread Prevention Outreach and Education was funded. We are working through contracting paperwork. The grant will support outreach and education activities and boat stewards at various launches within the county, including two new sites.

ADMINISTRATION

Our annual reports, except the Treasurers Report were submitted to the state. The county auditors completed their work and will be reviewing the Treasurers Report before submission by May 1st.

The 2024 Water Quality Symposium and the NYS CDEA Annual Training Session are March 12 – 15, 2024 at the Double Tree Hotel, East Syracuse. Most staff will be attending for several days.

We have interviewed for the Conservation Aide position for the summer buffer steward and boat steward activities and the vacant Conservation Assistant position. Offers are pending approval by the board. The Engineer applicants were not interested or not qualified, upon review. We continue to seek applicants.



Strategic Development Plan



- Website is live
- Community engagement plan complete
- Pop up events being identified/on calendar
- Community and focus groups scheduled and invitations being sent
- On time & on budget

**Additional
information at
end of report

Administration

IRT – DOD reviewing applications

CNY Regional Planning Board

NYSERDA's proposal to US DOT – EV Charging Stations/Fleet Analysis
Continued conversation about ConnectALL opportunities

Southern Tier 8

Tech Hub designation

CEDS

Opportunity Zone Collaboration

Work on Planning Committee Regional Strategies

Launch of Regional Portal - <https://www.so-tier.com/>

Snowmobile Grant

70% checks have been sent out

Meeting scheduled for May 9th

Education and Outreach

Social media and content being developed

DEC Open Space Committee

Update to 2016 NYS Open Space Conservation Plan- Draft to be completed by April

Energy

NYSDERDA Energy Webinar Series

November 28 Clean Energy and Your Comprehensive Plan

December 5 Solar PV Permitting and Inspecting

December 19 Overview of Model Solar Energy Law

***February 13** Overview of Model Battery Energy Storage System Law

****1-Star Designation Achieved in NYSDERDA Clean Energy Communities Program –**

Awarded \$5,000 Clean Energy Grant

Energy Task Force – Planning Phase, resolution coming shortly

Mobility

Working on Annual Report – Due March 31st

Reevaluating Routes

Route 6- Cortland to TC3/Dryden

New connection to Onondaga County

Education and Outreach – content being developed for social media, tabling opportunities, etc.

RFPs in progress:

Rebranding

Operation & Maintenance

Transportation Facility –Engineering and Design Services

Transportation Study

Technology

Electronic Farebox

Cortland County Planning Board Meeting – February 21st, 2023

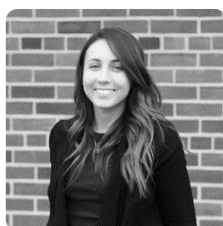
GML 239 Reviews: (3 Return for Local Determination)

- **City of Cortland – 1892 Holding Company & Thomas Scheffler – GML No. 86.59-02-15.000 and 86.67-02-01.000** – Site Plan Site Plan Review, Area Variances, Subdivision
- **Town of Homer – Suit-Kote – GML No. 57.00-01-36.200; 57.00-01-33.100; 57.00-01-33.200; 57.00-01-34.000** – Subdivisions and lot consolidation
- **Town of Virgil – Kinney – GML No. 126.14-01-04.000** – Area Variances for dwelling addition
- **City of Cortland – Local Law – Zoning Text Amendment** – Regulations of Cannabis Dispensaries and Related Retail Establishments
- **Town of Preble– Comprehensive Plan** – Preble seeks input into proposed Comprehensive Plan
- **Town of Virgil – Local Law** – Moratorium on Certain Solar Energy Storage Uses

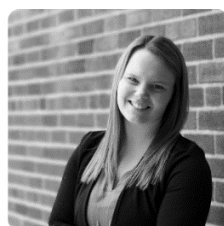
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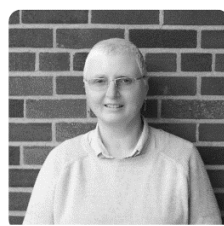
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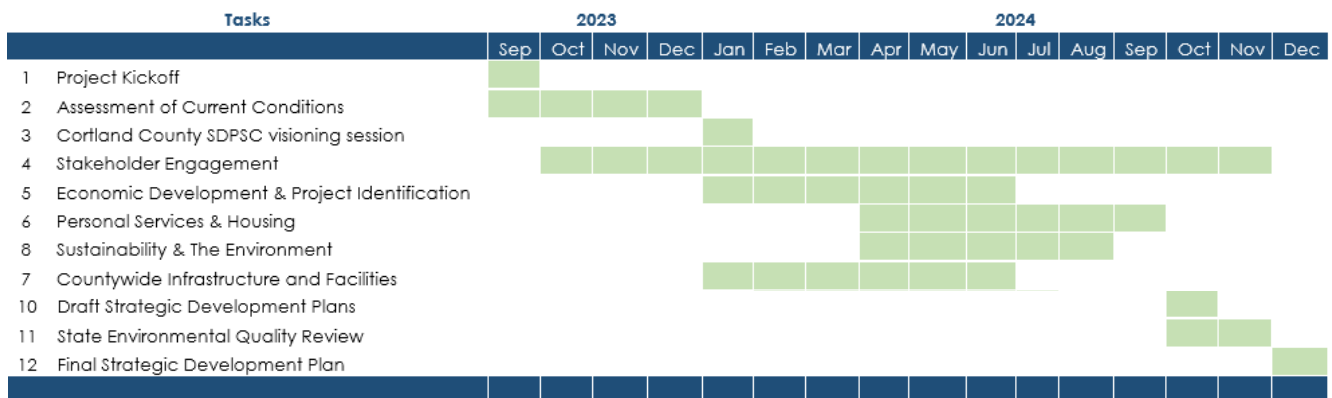
ELEVATE CORTLAND

COUNTY STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN

- Baseline report completed
- Interviews being identified and scheduled
- Focus Group Meetings scheduled
- Municipal Meeting Scheduled (flyer attached)

Workforce	Business	Environment	Quality of Life
Workforce Development	Economic Development	Energy	Tourism
Housing	Agriculture	Sustainability	Recreation
Education	Local business	Conservation	NGOs
Childcare/Eldercare	Entrepreneurship	Nature-based organizations	Libraries
	Chamber	Hazard Mitigation	Arts & Culture
			Healthcare
Interviews			
Municipal Leaders			
Emergency Services			
Utilities – Water, Sewer, Energy, Communication			
Transportation			

- Transportation data being compiled
- Energy data being compiled
- Housing data being compiled
- Project Schedule





Join us for a public meeting in Cortland

*Interested in contributing your ideas to shape Cortland County's future
Let's work together to **elevate** Cortland County!*

Marathon Civic Center - Tuesday, March 19

Beaudry Park Building - Monday, March 25

Virgil Fire Hall - Tuesday, March 26

Truxton Town Hall/Railroad Station - Tuesday, April 2

Homer Center for the Arts Community Room - Thursday, April 4

All meetings begin at 6:00 PM.



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growth throughout the County.**

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