



Finance & Administration Committee

Committee Meeting

60 Central Ave
Cortland, NY 13045
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Tuesday, August 16, 2022

10:00 AM

Board Room

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CALL TO ORDER

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Committee Chair George Wagner	☐	☐	☐	
Committee Member Linda Jones	☐	☐	☐	
Committee Vice Chair Christopher Newell	☐	☐	☐	
Committee Member Beau Harbin	☐	☐	☐	
Committee Member Richard Stock	☐	☐	☐	
Committee Member Mitchel Eccleston	☐	☐	☐	

MINUTES

1. Finance & Administration Committee - Committee Meeting - Jun 14, 2022 10:00 AM

RESOLUTIONS

ON MOTION OF WAGNER

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1

Designate Cortland County Convention and Visitors Bureau as Cortland County's Tourism Promotion Agency

WHEREAS, the New York State Division of Tourism's Matching Grant Program is designated to encourage tourism promotion throughout New York and adjacent states, AND

WHEREAS, the Cortland County Convention and Visitors Bureau Inc., a non-profit organization promoting Cortland County as a tourism destination, qualifies as the official Tourism Promotion Agency for Cortland County, AND

WHEREAS, the Cortland County Convention and Visitors Bureau Inc. has requested to be designated the Tourism Promotion Agency for Cortland County in 2023, NOW THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Cortland County Convention and Visitors Bureau Inc., is hereby designated for 2023 by the Cortland County Legislature to make application for and receive grants on behalf of the

ON MOTION OF WAGNER

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2

Authorize Agreement Cortland County Convention and Visitors Bureau for Provision of Public Benefits Services for Promotion and Publicity

WHEREAS, the County of Cortland desires to promote and publicize the advantages, benefits and attractions of Cortland County in order to attract visitors, businesses and industry, AND

WHEREAS, Cortland County has imposed a Hotel/Motel Occupancy Tax for the purpose of funding Tourism Promotion, AND

WHEREAS, Section 224 of County Law provides the County may contract with non-profit organizations, other corporations, associations and agencies within the County to provide such publicity services, upon certain terms and conditions, AND

WHEREAS, the Cortland County Convention and Visitors Bureau Inc. (CVB), is a non-profit organization promoting Cortland County as a tourism destination, NOW THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 224 of County Law, the County shall enter into a contract with the Cortland County Convention and Visitors Bureau Inc. under the following terms and conditions:

1. The CVB shall provide the County with its services and shall promote and publicize the advantages of Cortland County in such a mode and manner as it deems appropriate, including, but not limited to, all media, print, radio, television, direct contact, event publicity, contests, or other promotional devices.
2. The CVB shall be responsible for the distribution of occupancy funds as outlined in the Cortland County Occupancy Tax Funding Request Guidelines.
3. Cortland County will collect occupancy taxes as prescribed in Local Law No.4 of 1987 and shall remit those funds to the CVB for re-distribution.
4. Cortland County will retain 10% of the occupancy funds per section 3 (12) of Local Law No. 4 of 1987 for the purpose of administering such tax.
5. The Cortland County Treasurer shall remit to the CVB the sum of \$551,934.57, consistent with the 2021 Occupancy tax collections, to the tourism and publicity account.
6. The term of this agreement shall be one (1) year from January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023.
7. Within thirty (30) days of the termination of this agreement, the CVB shall provide and render to the County a verified account of the disbursements of such organization with verified or certified vouchers therefore attached. The County Chairman or designee may request such verified accounting be rendered to the County each quarter during the term of this agreement.
8. The CVB shall place any unused monies into a dedicated account for the purpose of developing new events and funding unanticipated activities that support tourism in Cortland County with an emphasis on events that produce multi-day visits or overnight stays, AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, that the County Administrator is authorized and directed to enter into an agreement, upon review and approval of the County Attorney or designee, with the Cortland County Convention and Visitors Bureau Inc. for the period January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023 in accordance with the terms and conditions listed above.

Distribution of Second Quarter 2022 Sales Tax

WHEREAS, the Cortland County Legislature adopted Resolution No. 221-18, which provides for the distribution of sales tax from the County to local municipalities, AND

WHEREAS, the sales tax sharing agreement provides for the deduction directly from the gross sales tax distribution received from the State of New York a fixed sum of \$1,500,000 for County purposes, with the remaining balance of the revenues to be distributed for use by the County, City of Cortland, and the various municipalities within Cortland County, AND

WHEREAS, the gross deduction for County purposes will be provide for quarterly, AND

WHEREAS, the 2022 second quarter sales tax information has been provided by the New York State Comptroller's Office showing a total collection for second quarter 2022 to be \$9,746,598.58, AND

WHEREAS, the total amount available for distribution is \$9,371,598.58, after the direct deduction for County purposes, AND

WHEREAS, individual municipalities by resolution have opted to apply a portion of their sales tax dollars to off-set the property tax levy and that amount (\$670,000.00) is to be withheld from the quarterly distribution, AND

WHEREAS, Cortland County receives (54%), or \$5,060,663.23 of the total net quarterly distribution, AND

WHEREAS, respective payments are now ready for disbursement, NOW THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Cortland County Legislature authorizes the County Treasurer or designee to release sales tax payments for the second quarter of 2022 as so stated below from Account No. A19855.54101 in either the form of a county check or by direct bank transfer as per the request of the receiving municipality:

Municipality	Distribution Amount Pre-Tax Credit	Applied Tax Credits	Net Distribution After Tax Credit	Balance Owed Against Tax Credits
Cortland, City of	\$1,663,458.75	\$-0-	\$1,663,458.75	\$-0-
Cincinnatus, Town of	\$77,707.90	\$-0-	\$77,707.90	\$-0-
Cortlandville, Town of	\$831,158.44	\$-0-	\$831,158.44	\$-0-
Cuyler, Town of	\$70,794.18	\$(28,750.00)	\$42,044.18	\$-0-
Freetown, Town of	\$53,225.09	\$-0-	\$53,225.09	\$-0-
Harford, Town of	\$84,160.91	\$-0-	\$84,160.91	\$-0-
Homer, Town of	\$283,453.43	\$-0-	\$283,453.43	\$-0-
Homer, Village of	\$201,607.53	\$-0-	\$201,607.53	\$-0-
Lapeer, Town of	\$109,731.06	\$(77,500.00)	\$32,231.06	\$-0-
Marathon, Town of	\$84,116.43	\$-0-	\$84,116.43	\$-0-
Marathon, Village of	\$42,511.77	\$-0-	\$42,511.77	\$-0-
McGraw, Village of	\$36,923.17	\$-0-	\$36,923.17	\$-0-
Preble, Town of	\$144,421.48	\$-0-	\$144,421.48	\$-0-
Scott, Town of	\$85,673.71	\$-0-	\$85,673.71	\$-0-

Solon, Town of	\$79,176.03	\$-0-	\$79,176.03	\$-0-
Taylor, Town of	\$46,454.46	\$-0-	\$46,454.46	\$-0-
Truxton, Town of	\$102,249.59	\$-0-	\$102,249.59	\$-0-
Virgil, Town of	\$245,255.89	\$(16,250.00)	\$229,005.89	\$-0-
Willet, Town of	\$68,855.53	\$-0-	\$68,855.53	\$-0-
Total	\$4,310,935.35	\$(122,500.00)	\$4,188,435.35	\$-0-

, AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, that the Cortland County Treasurer or designee is hereby directed to deposit the County's "off the top" sum of \$375,000 in the appropriate reserves and accounts as designated in Resolution No. 294-20.

CONSENT AGENDA - Items on the Consent Agenda have been endorsed by the various standing committees. Budget & Finance Committee Members may request any item be pulled from the consent agenda for further discussion and separate vote

Referred from Ag/Planning/Environmental Committee

ON MOTION OF HARBIN

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1

Amend 2022 Budget/Accept New York State Department of Health State Medicaid SFY 2022-2023 Rural Transit Assistance Funding - Planning Department

WHEREAS, for more than 20 years the New York State Department of Health provided funds to the Department of Social Services to provide the essential service of providing for and arranging for non-emergency Medicaid transportation service for medical appointments, AND

WHEREAS, the Department of Social Services contracted with First Transit, Inc. for said transportation service which included a State approved method of paying a share of costs for operating public transportation to benefit all Medicaid recipients using the system to get to medical appointments, AND

WHEREAS, in 2010, the State Department of Health was given statutory authority under 365-h of Social Services Law to assume the administrative management of non-emergency transportation from counties and has since mandated that a private Medicaid brokerage system be implemented, which began in Cortland County October 1, 2013, AND

WHEREAS, as a result of the transfer of the administrative management of non-emergency transportation to a private Medicaid brokerage system, First Transit lost 40% of its revenue to operate the public transportation service in Cortland County, AND

WHEREAS, transportation providers throughout New York State lobbied to their State Representatives to provide funding to make up for the loss of funding due to the transfer of the administrative management of non-emergency transportation to a private Medicaid brokerage system, AND

WHEREAS, then-Governor Andrew Cuomo, the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) and the New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) have identified a series of action targets to preserve critical access to necessary Non-Emergency Medical Transportation (NEMT) services through a coordinated public transportation system in upstate New York, AND

WHEREAS, one of these action targets is to provide rescue funding to the public transportation service in Cortland County to address the lost revenue as a result of the transfer of the administrative management of non-emergency transportation to a private Medicaid brokerage system, AND

WHEREAS, on July 6, 2022, an emailed letter was sent from the New York State Department of Health by the Office of Health Insurance Programs notifying Cortland County of an electronic payment in the amount of \$368,241 for a State Medicaid payment intended for Rural Transit Assistance purposes enacted as part of the State Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Enacted Budget, AND

WHEREAS, Cortland County has received a Rural Transit Assistance payment in the amount of \$368,241 which will be paid to Cortland County's public transportation provider, First Transit, Inc., NOW THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, the Cortland County Legislature authorizes the County Treasurer to release said payment to First Transit, Inc., AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, the 2022 budget be modified as follows:

	<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>REVISED</u>
Expense: A56305.54815.RESC	0	\$368,241	\$368,241
Revenue: A563043.43594.RESC	0	\$368,241	\$368,241

Referred from Building & Grounds Committee

Referred from Judiciary & Public Safety Committee

ON MOTION OF FAIRCHILD-PRESTON

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2

Create Position - Keyboard Specialist - Sheriff's Office

WHEREAS, the needs of the agency will be better served by creating one full-time position of Keyboard Specialist, AND

WHEREAS, the Judiciary and Public Safety Committee recommends the creation of this position, NOW THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that one full-time position of Keyboard Specialist (Corrections/Civilian CSEA, Grade 1, \$16.0670- \$21.3545/hr, competitive class, full-time with benefits) be created on August 25, 2022 with approval to fill.

Referred from Health & Human Services

ON MOTION OF PRICE

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3

Amend 2022 Budget/Other Compensation and Raises - Department of Social Services

WHEREAS, expenditures for vacation payouts have increased due to staff turnover in the Department of Social Services, AND

WHEREAS, due to expenditures for Child Protective Services on-call pay trending higher this year, the expenses in the Other Compensation and Raises account are expected to exceed the amount appropriated in our 2022 budget, NOW THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that the 2022 County Budget be and hereby is amended as follows:

DECREASE:

Health Insurance

A60105.58060 current 1,229,997.36 DECREASE (\$100,000) new = \$1,129,997.36

INCREASE:

Other Compensation & Raises

A60105.51035 current \$125,000 INCREASE +\$100,000 new = \$225,000

ON MOTION OF PRICE

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4

Accept Funds/NYS Rental Supplement Program Funds SFY 2022-2023 - Department of Social Services

WHEREAS, the New York State Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance has allocated the Cortland County Department of Social Services (CCDSS) \$141,026 in Rental Supplement Program (RSP) funds to provide rental supplements to individuals and families who are experiencing homelessness or are facing an imminent loss of housing, AND

WHEREAS, the CCDSS received approval on June 23, 2022 of a plan to spend this money beginning April 1, 2022 through March 31, 2023, NOW THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that the State allocation funds be accepted, and the 2022 County Budget be amended as follows:

Increase:

Expense:

A60105.54800.RSP	Program Expense RSP	\$141,026.00
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Revenue:

A601043.43689.RSP	Other DSS Admin RSP	\$141,026.00
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ON MOTION OF PRICE

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5

Authorize Amendment/Accept Funds - Health Research, Inc., COVID-19 ELC/Emergency Preparedness - Health Department

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 284-20 gave the Cortland County Health Department permission to enter into a grant from Health Research, Inc. for funding for COVID-19 Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity (ELC) Enhanced Detection, Contract # 6411-01, CFDA # 93.323, AND

WHEREAS, it is now desired to amend the provisions of the contract, AND

WHEREAS, funding for this grant will increase from \$581,922 to \$681,922, NOW THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that the 2022 County Budget be and hereby is amended as follows:

		<u>Current</u>	<u>Amendment</u>	<u>Adjusted</u>
Increase Revenue:				
A40115.44401.ELC	ELC Grant	\$307,974	\$100,000	\$407,974
Increase Expenditures:				
A40115.51005.4037	Personal Services	\$471,304	\$22,148	\$493,452

A40115.52015.4037	Dept. Equipment	\$7,300	\$28,830	\$36,130
A40115.54045.4037	Travel	\$200	\$500	\$700
A40115.54048.4037	Program Supplies	\$5,000	\$9,405	\$14,405
A40115.54060.4037	Advertising	\$37,901	\$27,325	\$65,226
A40115.54067.4037	RP Rent/Lease	\$0	\$2,150	\$2,150
A40115.58020.4037	Retirement	\$53,898	\$3,544	\$57,442
A40115.58030.4037	FICA	\$36,056	\$1,694	\$37,750
A40115.58060.4037	Health Insurance	<u>\$115,336</u>	<u>\$4,404</u>	<u>\$119,740</u>
			\$100,000	

, AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, that the County Administrator and Public Health Director, upon review and approval by the County Attorney or designee, and subject to appropriation of the funding by the Legislature, is hereby authorized and directed to execute the Health Research, Inc. Amendment for COVID-19 Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity (ELC) Enhanced Detection and to accept these funds, AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, that the Treasurer's office is authorized to pay from the appropriate expense account and that in the event that the County does not receive the appropriate funds from the Health Research, Inc, the County shall not be liable to pay any of its own funds to meet any deficiency under the terms of the contract, AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, the Director of Finance shall carryover all unused grant funds to the subsequent year(s) budget covered by the grant, per the approved grant agreement.

ON MOTION OF PRICE

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6

Authorize Agreement Between the County of Cortland and the New York State Nurse's Association Effective July 1, 2022 to December 31, 2026

WHEREAS, Cortland County and New York State Nurse's Association (NYSNA) negotiating committees have met to negotiate a new contract, AND

WHEREAS, the negotiating committees have agreed on a new contract, AND

WHEREAS, the New York State Nurses Association ratified the contract on June 21, 2022,
NOW THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Cortland County Legislature hereby approves the New York State Nurses Association of Cortland County contract.

Presentations

1. Update from Thoma Development on Microenterprise Program
2. Presentation of the 2021 Audit Report

Reports/Discussion Items

1. Financial Reports to June 30, 2022
2. Treasurer Monthly Report
3. Real Property Tax Services Monthly Report
4. County Administrator Monthly Report

Adjournment