



Government Operations Committee

Committee Meeting

60 Central Ave.
Cortland, NY 13045
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~ Agenda ~

Tuesday, October 17, 2023

9:00 AM

Room 302

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CALL TO ORDER

Attendee Name	Present	Absent	Late	Arrived
Committee Member Sandra Price	☐	☐	☐	
Committee Member George Wagner	☐	☐	☐	
Committee Vice Chair Kelly L. Fairchild-Preston	☐	☐	☐	
Committee Member Paul Heider	☐	☐	☐	
Committee Chair Richard Stock	☐	☐	☐	
Committee Member Susan Wilson	☐	☐	☐	
Committee Member Mitchel Eccleston	☐	☐	☐	

MINUTES

1. Government Operations Committee - Committee Meeting - Sep 19, 2023 9:00 AM

RESOLUTIONS

ON MOTION OF STOCK

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1

Semi Annual Mortgage Tax Distribution - County Clerk

WHEREAS, in accordance with NYS Tax Law, Article 11, § 261, the Semi Annual Mortgage Tax Report for April 1, 2023-September 30, 2023, has been prepared and submitted by the Cortland County Clerk and has been approved by the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance, AND

WHEREAS, the Basic Mortgage Tax has been submitted with interest to the Cortland County Treasurer, AND

WHEREAS, the mortgage tax has been calculated to apportion the basic mortgage tax between the towns and villages, NOW THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Cortland County Legislature authorize the County Treasurer to make payments to each of the tax districts within the County of Cortland as shown below, either by check or by electronic bank deposit based on the request of the receiving municipality.

Cortland, City of		\$4,746.73
Cincinnati, Town of		\$126,463.70
Cortlandville, Town of		\$65,300.31
	McGraw, Village of	\$1,838.21
	Homer, Village of	\$185.20
Cuyler, Town of		\$1,879.28
Freetown, Town of		\$5,080.24
Harford, Town of		\$6,325.80
	Homer, Town of	\$23,112.93
	Homer Village of	\$17,463.18
Lapeer, Town of		\$6,287.74
Marathon, Town of		\$9,658.28
Marathon, Village of		\$5,249.51
Preble, Town of		\$6,910.36
Scott, Town of		\$3,827.07
Solon, Town of		\$5,714.92
Taylor, Town of		\$2,546.78
Truxton, Town of		\$9,810.14
Virgil, Town of		\$17,729.46
Willet, Town of		\$931.08
	TOTAL	\$321,060.92

ON MOTION OF STOCK

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2

Appoint Republican Election Commissioner

WHEREAS, the term of duly appointed Cortland County Republican Election Commissioner Michelle Brown expires December 31, 2023, AND

WHEREAS, the Cortland County Republican Committee has submitted a certification endorsing the appointment of Michelle S. Brown as the Cortland County Republican Election Commissioner, NOW THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that Michelle S. Brown, 16 Frank Street, Cortland, New York 13045, is hereby appointed as the Cortland County Republican Election Commissioner for a term beginning January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2027.

ON MOTION OF STOCK

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3

Authorize Changes to Management Plan

WHEREAS, the Management Compensation Review Committee has reviewed the Employment Policy Manual for Department Heads, Management Employees and Management/Confidential Employees, AND

WHEREAS, the committee has identified many amendments which are necessary to provide Management employees with benefits that are at least equal to union employees' benefits, NOW THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Cortland County Legislature hereby approves the amendments to the Employment Policy Manual for Department Heads, Management Employees and Management/Confidential Employees as attached effective January 1, 2024.

ON MOTION OF STOCK

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4

Increase Annual Legislative Compensation - Cortland County Legislature

WHEREAS, the Cortland County Legislature is currently paid \$10,000 per year, per Legislator, with the Chairman receiving \$19,000 and the Majority and Minority Leaders receiving \$10,500, AND

WHEREAS, the above salary has remained the same for eight (8) years (2015 was raised from \$6,000 to \$10,000), AND

WHEREAS, the Cortland County Legislature's Government Operation Committee recommends an increase in salary for Legislators beginning in 2024, AND

WHEREAS, the County Administrator, as Budget Officer, included a Legislative salary of \$12,000 per legislator, \$21,000 for the Chair of the Legislature and \$12,500 for Majority and Minority Leaders in the 2024 budget, AND

WHEREAS, a public hearing upon the 2024 Tentative Budget was held on October 26, 2023 at 6:00 p.m., AND

WHEREAS, the notice for said public hearing included a statement of the Legislative salaries contained in the 2024 budget, NOW THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that effective January 1, 2024 the annual Legislative salary be and hereby is \$12,000 per legislator, \$21,000 for the Chair of the Legislature and \$12,500 for the Majority and Minority Leaders.

MONTHLY REPORTS

1. Monthly Report September 2023 - Board of Elections
2. Weights and Measures Report September 2023
3. Clerk of the Legislature Monthly FOIL Report
4. County Attorney Office Monthly Report
5. County Clerk Monthly Report
6. October 2023 Vacancy Report

DISCUSSION ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT