

# OSWEGO COUNTY LEGISLATIVE MEETING



## MINUTES - REGULAR MEETING

OSWEGO COUNTY, NEW YORK

**Date/ Time:** March 14, 2024, at 2:00 p.m.

**Location:** Chambers - Legislative Office Building 46 East Bridge Street Oswego, New York 13126

### CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the Oswego County Legislature was called to order at 2:01 pm by Chairman James Weatherup with the Clerk of the Legislature present.

Roll Call was taken with all legislator's present except Leg. Bombardo and Solowy.

The invocation was given by the Clerk of the Legislature Betsy Sherman-Saunders, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Chairman James Weatherup.

### APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Minutes of the Oswego County Legislature Regular Meeting on **February 15, 2024** were approved.

### PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITIONS

Proclamation – Women's History Month

Recognition – PTECH Students Vincent Hubbard and William Appleton

### PUBLIC SPEAKERS ON RESOLUTIONS OF THE DAY

None.

### REPORTS

Reports of County Officials – None.

Reports of Standing Committees – None.

Reports of Special Committees – Leg. Chesbro spoke about the new youth softball program and thanked Kyle Perez from the Youth Bureau. Leg. Chesbro also spoke about Tourism and what to expect for the upcoming total solar eclipse.

## RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS

**GC-1** Legislator Holst offered a resolution entitled, A **RESOLUTION FIXING TIME AND PLACE FOR PUBLIC HEARING RELATIVE TO PROPOSED COUNTY OF OSWEGO LOCAL LAW NO. 1 OF THE YEAR 2024, ENTITLED “A LOCAL LAW CREATING THE DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY FOR THE COUNTY OF OSWEGO”**

**Resolution 057 of 2024 adopted** by a voice vote: Yes: 22 No: 1 Absent: 2  
(Leg. Castiglia in opposition)

**GC-2** Legislator Holst offered a resolution entitled, A **RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE APPROVAL OF THE COMMISSIONER OF THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE REGARDING ADDITIONAL MORTGAGE TAX MONIES TO BE RETAINED BY THE COUNTY UNDER TAX LAW §262**

**Resolution 058 of 2024 adopted** by a roll call vote: Yes: 23 No: 0 Absent: 2

**GC-3** Legislator Holst offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION APPOINTING ACTING ASSIGNED COUNSEL PLAN ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE COUNTY OF OSWEGO**

**Resolution 059 of 2024 adopted** by a voice vote: Yes: 23 No: 0 Absent: 2

**GC-4** Legislator Holst offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION APPOINTING A CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS TO THE OSWEGO COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY**

**Resolution 060 of 2024 adopted** by a voice vote: Yes: 19 No: 2 Absent: 1 Abstain: 2  
(Leg. Castiglia and Schadt in opposition, Leg. Chesbro and Greco abstain)

**PS-1** Legislator Greco offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGETARY MODIFICATION SHERIFF’S OFFICE TRANSFER FROM INSURANCE RECOVERY (TREASURER’S OFFICE) TO AUTOMOTIVE SUPPLIES AND REPAIR**

**Resolution 061 of 2024 adopted** by a voice vote: Yes: 23 No: 0 Absent: 2

**PS-2** Legislator Greco offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL OF OSWEGO COUNTY’S 2024 STOP-DWI PLAN AND THE CHAIRMAN OF THE LEGISLATURE BE AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE ANY RELATED DOCUMENTS**

**Resolution 062 of 2024 adopted** by a voice vote: Yes: 23 No: 0 Absent: 2

**PS-3** Legislator Greco offered a resolution entitled, A **RESOLUTION FIXING TIME AND PLACE FOR PUBLIC HEARING RELATIVE TO PROPOSED COUNTY OF OSWEGO LOCAL LAW NO. 2 OF THE YEAR 2024 AUTHORIZING ADMINISTRATIVE DWI SUPERVISION FEES PURSUANT TO NEW YORK EXECUTIVE LAW §257-c**

**Resolution 063 of 2024 adopted** by a voice vote: Yes: 23 No: 0 Absent: 2

**PS-4** Legislator Greco offered a resolution entitled, A **RESOLUTION FIXING TIME AND PLACE FOR PUBLIC HEARING RELATIVE TO PROPOSED COUNTY TRAFFIC DIVERSION PROGRAM LOCAL LAW**

**Resolution 064 of 2024 adopted** by a voice vote: Yes: 22 No: 1 Absent: 2  
(Leg. Castiglia in opposition)

**PS-5** Legislator Greco offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGETARY MODIFICATION CREATING ONE FULLTIME POSITION AND DELETING ONE PART TIME POSITION IN THE OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

**Resolution 065 of 2024 adopted** by a voice vote: Yes: 22 No: 1 Absent: 2  
(Leg. Castiglia in opposition)

**PS-6** Legislator Greco offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DELETION OF TWO POSITIONS SHERIFF'S OFFICE (DRUG TASK FORCE)**

**Resolution 066 of 2024 adopted** by a voice vote: Yes: 23 No: 0 Absent: 2

**PS-7** Legislator Greco offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CREATION OF TWO POSITIONS IN THE OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY**

**Resolution 067 of 2024 adopted** by a voice vote: Yes: 23 No: 0 Absent: 2

**HS-1** Legislator Reehil offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGETARY MODIFICATION DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES TO FUND ELIGIBILITY VERIFICATION ASSISTANT AUTOMATED SYSTEM AND AWARD PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT**

**Resolution 068 of 2024 adopted** by a voice vote: Yes: 22 No: 1 Absent: 2  
(Leg. Castiglia in opposition)

**HS-2** Legislator Reehil offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGETARY MODIFICATION DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES TO ACCEPT STATE FUNDS FOR HE RENTAL SUPPLEMENT PROGRAM**

**Resolution 069 of 2024 adopted** by a voice vote: Yes: 23 No: 0 Absent: 2

**HS-3** Legislator Reehil offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGET MODIFICIATION DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES TO ACCEPT FEDERAL FUNDS FOR NON-RESIDENTIAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SERVICES**

**Resolution 070 of 2024 adopted** by a voice vote: Yes: 23 No: 0 Absent: 2

**HS-4** Legislator Reehil offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION BUDGETARY MODIFICATION DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES FOR LASERFICHE RIO UPGRADE**

**Resolution 071 of 2024 adopted** by a voice vote: Yes: 23 No: 0 Absent: 2

**HS-5** Legislator Reehil offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGETARY MODIFICATION DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES - OVERTIME**

**Resolution 072 of 2024 adopted** by a voice vote: Yes: 23 No: 0 Absent: 2

**HS-6** Legislator Reehil offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGETARY MODIFICATION DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES TO ACCEPT STATE FUNDS FOR THE SAFE HARBOR PROGRAM**

**Resolution 073 of 2024 adopted** by a voice vote: Yes: 23 No: 0 Absent: 2

**EP-1** Legislator Chesbro offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGETARY MODIFICATION CAPITAL PROJECT NO. 95 – DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, TOURISM AND PLANNING PUBLIC TRANSIT CAPITAL FUNDS – MOBILITY MANAGEMENT**

**Resolution 074 of 2024 adopted** by a voice vote: Yes: 23 No: 0 Absent: 2

**EP-2** Legislator Salmonsens offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE OSWEGO COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**Resolution 075 of 2024 adopted** by a voice vote: Yes: 19 No: 2 Absent: 2 Abstain: 2  
(Leg. Castiglia and Schadt in opposition, Leg. Lockwood and Chesbro abstain)

**HE-1** Legislator Karasek offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION ADDING NEW YORK STATE HEALTHCARE WORKER BONUS FUNDS TO THE OSWEGO COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT PREVENTIVE HEALTH BUDGET**

**Resolution 076 of 2024 adopted** by a voice vote: Yes: 22 No: 1 Absent: 2  
(Leg. Kline in opposition)

**IT-1** Legislator House offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGETARY MODIFICATION – CENTRAL SERVICES SUPPLEMENT EXISTING CAPITAL PROJECT TO FUND AUDIO/VISUAL UPGRADES**

**Resolution 077 of 2024 adopted** by a voice vote: Yes: 23 No: 0 Absent: 2

**IT-2** Legislator House offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION APPROVING THE EXECUTION OF A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION CONCERNING THE OSWEGO COUNTY AIRPORT (FAA Contract No.: 69435Z-22-L-00090)**

**Resolution 078 of 2024 adopted** by a voice vote: Yes: 23 No: 0 Absent: 2

**IT-3** Legislator House offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGETARY MODIFICATION DEPARTMENT OF SOLID WASTE – TO ESTABLISH A CAPITAL PROJECT NO. 0324 FOR THE BRISTOL HILL LANDFILL CELL #5 EXPANSION – SOLID WASTE UNAPPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE TO CAPITAL PROJECT NO. 0324**

**Resolution 079 of 2024 adopted** by a voice vote: Yes: 23 No: 0 Absent: 2

**FP-1** Legislator Walpole offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION CLOSING CAPITAL PROJECT 0822 OF 2022 AND AUTHORIZING \$7200 OF THE REMAINING FUNDS TO BE TRANSFERRED TO PURCHASING DEPARTMENT'S OPERATING BUDGET**

**Resolution 080 of 2024 adopted** by a voice vote: Yes: 23 No: 0 Absent: 2

**FP-2** Legislator Walpole offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CAPITAL PROJECT CLOSURES AND TRANSFER OF PROJECT BALANCES**

**Resolution 081 of 2024 adopted** by a voice vote: Yes: 23 No: 0 Absent: 2

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None.

**MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**

None.

Leg. House made a motion to enter Executive Session, Leg. Martino seconds.

Vote unanimous, motion carried.

Enter Executive Session at 3:00 pm

## EXECUTIVE SESSION

Discussed pending litigation- Attis Ethanol

Leg. Karasek made a motion to exit Executive Session, Leg. Gilson seconds.

Vote unanimous, motion carried.

Exit Executive Session at 3:27 pm

Leg. House made a motion to waive the rules for resolutions HS-7, EP-3, FP-3 and GC-5 multiple seconds.

Motion **passed** by a voice vote: Yes: 22 No: 0 Absent: 3  
(Leg. Reehil exited the meeting)

**HS-7** Legislator H. Yerdon offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGING THE NAME OF CAPITAL PROJECT NO. 1422 FROM “CAMP ZERBE BATHHOUSE” TO “CAMP ZERBE INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS” AND AUTHORIZING BUDGETARY MODIFICATION TO INCREASE THE FUNDING AUTHORIZATION**

Leg. Twiss made a motion to amend the resolution, the attached budget modification should read object 450310 instead of 440890, multiple seconds

Motion **passed** by a voice vote: Yes: 22 No: 0 Absent: 3

**Amended Resolution 082 of 2024 adopted** by a voice vote: Yes: 22 No: 0 Absent: 3

**EP-3** Legislator Chesbro offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGETARY MODIFICATION AND TRANSFER OF RIDES TO RECOVERY CONTRACT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, TOURISM AND PLANNING – MOBILITY MANAGEMENT.**

**Resolution 083 of 2024 adopted** by a voice vote: Yes: 22 No: 0 Absent: 3

**FP-3** Legislator Walpole offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION AWARDDING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT – RFP-OSI-001 BROADBAND SERVICES AND ESTABLISHING CAPITAL PROJECT NO. 0524 BROADBAND**

**Resolution 084 of 2024 adopted** by a voice vote: Yes: 21 No: 0 Absent: 3 Abstain: 1 (Chairman Weatherup abstained)

**GC-5** Legislator Holst offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR OF THE LEGISLATURE TO EXECUTE A FIFTH AMENDED STIPULATION ON CERTAIN TERMS WITH HIGHSORE CAPITAL, LLC REGARDING THE FORMER ATTIS ETHANOL FULTON, LLC TAX DELINQUENT PARCELS**

Leg. Greco made a motion to amend the resolution for a typographical error on the second resolved paragraph, and to amend the dates in section 19C from September 30, 2024, to December 15, 2024 and the date October 1, 2024 to December 16, 2024, multiple seconds.

Motion **passed** by a voice vote: Yes: 22 No: 0 Absent: 3

**Amended Resolution 085 of 2024 adopted** by a voice vote: Yes: 22 No: 0 Absent: 3

## ADJOURNMENT

Legislator Karasek motioned to adjourn, multiple seconds.

Vote: Unanimous, motion carried

Legislature adjourned at 3:36 p.m.

## PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Shauna Rettig – Spoke about the need for wage increase for county employees and the need to assist the homeless population in Oswego.

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Betsy Sherman-Saunders  
Clerk of the Legislature