

**REGULAR SESSION**

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 1, 2017**

Chairman Gray called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. The Board observed a moment of silence in memory of Janice St.Croix, wife of former Legislator James St.Croix, and NYS Trooper Joel Davis, a former Deputy Sheriff, who was killed in the line of duty.

**ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS**

All members present except Legislators Nabywaniec, Maxon and Docteur.

**PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR**

No one present wished to speak.

**READING OF MINUTES OF LAST SESSION, IF REQUESTED**

The minutes of the July Session stand approved in the absence of objection or correction.

**PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS**

None.

**REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

The Finance & Rules Committee reported favorably on resolutions referred from other jurisdictional committees.

**REPORTS OF COUNTY OFFICERS AND OTHERS**

The County Treasurer provided a report on investments and cash in banks as of June 30, 2017.

The County Administrator provided a report on budget transfers for the month of July, 2017.

**LOCAL LAWS, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS**

**Resolution No. 135**

**Authorizing the Vacating of Judgment of Foreclosure for Owners of Certain  
Parcels of Real Property and Discontinuance of Foreclosure Proceeding**

By Legislator: Daniel R. McBride

Whereas, Pursuant to Section 1.6 of the Administrative Regulations for the Sale of Real Property Acquired by the County Pursuant to Real Property Tax Foreclosure Proceedings, certain owners of foreclosed properties have tendered offers to re-purchase County's right of foreclosure obtained in certain Tax Foreclosure proceedings, by depositing in trust with the County funds in an amount equal to all the tax, penalties, and interest, together with the County's established administrative fee, and

Whereas, The said owners and the amounts deposited are set forth in Exhibit "A" which is hereby incorporated herein, and made a part hereof.

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved, That Pursuant to Section 1.6 of the Administrative Regulations for the Sale of Real Property Acquired by the County Pursuant to Real Property Tax Foreclosure Proceedings, the Board of Legislators does hereby approve of the re-purchase of the County's right of foreclosure to those individuals set forth in Exhibit "A", in considerations of the amounts paid by such individuals as shown on said Exhibit, and be it further

Resolved, That the County Attorney be and is hereby authorized to file with the Court a motion seeking an Order to vacate the Judgement of Foreclosure, discontinuing the *in rem* tax foreclosure action and cancelling the Notice of Pendency of such action in regard to the respective parcel(s) of property.

Seconded by Legislator: James A. Nabywaniec

#### EXHIBIT "A"

<u>Town</u>	<u>Parcel No.</u>	<u>Owner</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Wilna	68.00-1-52	Douglas and Ogden Fitzsimons	Avery Road	\$4,922.88

All members present voted aye.

#### **Resolution No. 136**

#### **Amending Resolution 113 of 1965 to Increase Taxes on Sales and Uses of Tangible Personal Property and Certain Services, on Occupancy of Hotel Rooms and on Amusement Charges Pursuant to Article 29 of the Tax Law of the State of New York.**

By Legislator: Carolyn D. Fitzpatrick

Be It Resolved by the Board of Legislators of the County of Jefferson, as follows:

Section 1. Section 4-A of Resolution No. 113, adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Jefferson on July 12, 1965, imposing sales and compensating use taxes, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

Section 4-A Imposition of additional rate of sales and compensating use taxes.

Pursuant to the authority of section 1210 of the Tax Law, in addition to the sales and compensating use taxes imposed by sections 2 and 4 of this resolution, there is hereby imposed and there shall be paid an additional one percent rate of sales and compensating use taxes, for the period beginning December 1, 2015, and ending November 30, 2020. Such additional taxes shall be identical to the taxes imposed by such sections 2 and 4 and shall be administered and collected in the same manner as such taxes. All of the provisions of this resolution relating or applicable to the administration and collection of the taxes imposed by such sections 2 and 4 shall apply to the additional taxes imposed by this section, including the applicable transitional provisions, limitations, special provisions, exemptions, exclusions, refunds and credits as are set forth in this resolution, with the same force and effect as if those provisions had been incorporated in full into this section and had expressly referred to the additional taxes imposed by this section.

Section 2. Subdivision (c) of section 14 of Resolution No 113, enacted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Jefferson on July 12, 1965, imposing sales and use taxes, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

- (c) Net collections from the additional one percent rate of tax imposed for the period of December 1, 2015 through November 30, 2020, shall be set aside for County purposes or allocated and distributed according to the agreement between the County of Jefferson and City of Watertown, dated January 10, 2005, pursuant to Section 1262(c) of the New York State Tax Law.

Section 3. This resolution shall take effect on December 1, 2017.

Seconded by Legislator: William W. Johnson

All members present voted aye.

**Resolution No. 137**

**Authorizing Agreement for One-Stop Operator**

By Legislator: Daniel R. McBride

Whereas, One of the functions of the local Workforce Development Board (WDB) as set forth in the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2014 (WIOA) sec 107 (d) and 20 CFR 679.370 & 678.605 is to make a selection through a competitive process of a One-Stop Operator, and

Whereas, The Final Rules and Regulations 678.621 (a) outline the role of the One-Stop Operator to coordinate service delivery for continuous improvement through evaluation of operator performance and to promote efficiency and effectiveness of the one-stop system by regularly examining performance and costs, and

Whereas, The Jefferson-Lewis WDB approved and issued an Request for Information (RFI) in December 2016 and having received no responses, and

Whereas, In order to have appropriate procurement, the Jefferson –Lewis WDB contracted with the New York Association of Training and Employment Professionals (NYATEP) to issue another Request for Proposals (RFP) in May, 2017, and

Whereas, NYATEP received two responses, scored the proposals, and it is their recommendation and that of the Jefferson-Lewis WDB that Jefferson County Department of Employment & Training be selected as the Jefferson-Lewis WDB One-Stop Operator for the Jefferson-Lewis Workforce Development Area.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the Chairman of the Board of Legislators is hereby authorized and directed to execute an agreement in the amount of no more than \$2,000.00 per year for a period of four years with Jefferson County Department of Employment & Training for One-Stop Operator services, subject to the approval of the County Attorney as to form and content.

Seconded by Legislator: James A. Nabywaniec

All members present voted aye.

### **Resolution No. 138**

#### **Authorizing an Agreement for Construction Services With Sky Climber Tower Solutions, LLC for Engineering and Erection of Twelve Radio Transmission Towers**

By Legislator: Patrick R. Jareo

Whereas, Jefferson County is in the process of reconstructing its emergency management radio communication system and as part of the reconstruction requires twelve new transmission towers to be erected with appurtenant structures and equipment, and

Whereas, The County Purchasing Department sought a general contractor by open bid for the engineering and construction of the required twelve towers, and

Whereas, Sky Climber Tower Solutions, LLC is the recommended low bidder for the project to carry out foundation design and installation, tower erection, systems installation and testing.

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved, That the Chairman of the Board is hereby authorized and

directed to execute a contract with Sky Climber Tower Solutions, LLC for the above services for the amount of \$2,860,670.00, plus \$22.20 per foot of electrical wire, subject to review and approval of the County Attorney as to form and content.

Seconded by Legislator: Anthony J. Doldo

All members present voted aye.

### **Resolution No. 139**

#### **Imposing the Wireless Communications Surcharges Pursuant to the Authority of Tax Law § 186-g**

By Legislator: James A. Nabywaniec

Be it enacted by the Board of Legislators of the County of Jefferson, as follows:

SECTION 1. Imposition of wireless communications surcharges. (a) Pursuant to the authority of Tax Law § 186-g, there are hereby imposed and there shall be paid surcharges within the territorial limits of the County of Jefferson on: (i) wireless communications service provided to a wireless communications customer with a place of primary use within such County of Jefferson, at the rate of thirty cents per month on each wireless communications device in service during any part of the month; and (ii) the retail sale of prepaid wireless communications service sold within such County of Jefferson, at the rate of thirty cents per retail sale, whether or not any tangible personal property is sold therewith.

(b) Wireless communications service suppliers shall begin to add such surcharges to the billing of its customers and prepaid wireless communications sellers shall begin to collect such surcharge from its customers commencing December 1, 2017.

(c) Each wireless communications service supplier and prepaid wireless communications seller is entitled to retain, as an administrative fee, an amount equal to three percent of its collections of the surcharges imposed by this resolution, provided that the supplier or seller files any required return and remits the surcharges due to the New York State Commissioner of Taxation and Finance on or before the due date for that return and that payment.

SECTION 2. Administration of surcharges. The surcharges imposed by this resolution shall be administered and collected by the New York State Commissioner of Taxation and Finance as provided in paragraph (8) of Tax law § 186-g and in a like manner as the taxes imposed by Articles Twenty-eight and Twenty-nine of the Tax Law.

SECTION 3. Applicability of the State law to surcharges imposed by this resolution. All the provisions of Tax Law § 186-g shall apply to the surcharges imposed by this resolution with the same force and effect as if those provisions had been set forth in full in this resolution, except to the extent that any of those provisions is either inconsistent with or not relevant to the

surcharges imposed by this resolution.

SECTION 4. Net collections received by this County of Jefferson from the surcharges imposed by this resolution shall be expended only upon authorization of the Board of Legislators of the County of Jefferson and only for payment of system costs, eligible wireless 911 service costs, or other costs associated with the administration, design, installation, construction, operation, or maintenance of public safety communications networks or a system to provide enhanced wireless 911 service serving such County of Jefferson, as provided in paragraph (9) of the Tax Law § 186-g, including, but not limited to, hardware, software, consultants, financing and other acquisition costs. The County of Jefferson shall separately account for and keep adequate books and records of the amount and object or purpose of all expenditures of all such monies. If, at the end of any fiscal year, the total amount of all such monies exceeds the amount necessary for payment of the above mentioned costs in such fiscal year, such excess shall be reserved and carried over for the payment of those costs in the following fiscal year.

SECTION 6. Effective date. This resolution shall take effect December 1, 2017.

Seconded by Legislator: Anthony J. Doldo

Legislator Peck asked if this is a one time enactment or if we have to reauthorize the surcharge every two years like the sales tax. Mr. Hagemann and Chairman Gray were not positive either way, but would find out and let Board members know.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Doldo, Johnson, Peck, Ferris, Montigelli, Jareo, McBride, Adsit, Drake, Fitzpatrick, Reed, Gray

Absent: Maxon, Nabywaniec, Docteur

Resolution passed.

### **Resolution No. 140**

#### **Amending the 2017 County Budget in Relation to Recycling & Waste Management**

By Legislator: Anthony J. Doldo

Whereas, The 2017 County Budget must be amended to provide for anticipated shortfalls in some Recycling and Waste Management Fund accounts, and

Whereas, Said funds are available in an existing revenue account.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the 2017 Budget is amended as follows:

**Increase:**

(Expenditure)		
15816000 02500	Buildings/Grounds Equip	\$14,000
15816000 043101	Internal Fleet Expense	12,000
15816000 043102	External Fleet Expense	9,000
(Revenue)		
15910100 92675	Gain-Disposition of Asset	\$35,000

Seconded by Legislator: Robert D. Ferris

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Jareo, Fitzpatrick, Ferris, McBride, Drake, Montigelli, Doldo, Adsit, Peck, Johnson, Reed, Maxon

Absent: Nabywaniec, Docteur, Maxon

Resolution passed.

**Resolution No. 141**

**Authorizing the Implementation and Funding in the First Instance 100% of the Federal Aid and State "Marchiselli" Program Aid Eligible Costs of a Transportation Federal-Aid Project (Replacement of Coolidge Road & CR 30 over Indian River), Appropriating Funds Therefor and Amending the 2017 County Budget and Capital Plan**

By Legislator: Patrick R. Jareo

Whereas, A Project for the Replacement of Coolidge Road & CR 30 over Indian River, PIN 775359 (the "Project") is eligible for Funding under Title 23 U.S. Code, as amended, that calls for the apportionment of the costs of such program to be borne at the ratio of 80% Federal funds and 20% non-federal funds; and

Whereas, The County of Jefferson desires to advance the Project by making a commitment of 100% of the federal and non-federal share of the cost of the Preliminary Engineering/Design Phases 1-4 and Right of Way Incidental Phases of the project.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the Jefferson County Board of Legislators does hereby approve the Project, and be it further

Resolved, That the Jefferson County Board of Legislators hereby authorizes the Jefferson County Treasurer to pay in the first instance 100% of the federal and non-federal share of the cost of the Preliminary Engineering/Design Phases 1-4 and Right of Way Incidentals work for the Project or

portions thereof, and be it further

Resolved, That the sum of \$216,000.00, which includes the Preliminary Engineering/Design Phases 1-4 and Right of Way Incidentals, or so much thereof as is necessary is hereby appropriated from Account 20511300 02801 in the 2017 County Budget, and made available to cover the cost of participation in the above phases of the Project, and be it further

Resolved, That in the event the full federal and non-federal share of the costs of the project exceed the amount appropriated above, the Jefferson County Board of Legislators shall convene to appropriate said excess amount immediately upon the notification by the Chairman of the Jefferson County Board of Legislators thereof, and be it further

Resolved, That the Chairman of the Jefferson County Board of Legislators be and is hereby authorized to execute all necessary Agreements, certifications or reimbursement requests for Federal and State Aid, subject to the approval of the County Attorney as to form and substance, on behalf of the County of Jefferson with NYSDOT in connection with the advancement or approval of the Project and providing for the administration of the Project and the municipality's first instance funding of project costs, and permanent funding of the local share of federal-aid and state-aid eligible Project costs and all Project costs within appropriations therefor that are not federal-or State-aid eligible, and be it further

Resolved, That a certified copy of this resolution be filed with the New York State Commissioner of Transportation by attaching it to any necessary Agreement in connection with the Project, and be it further

Resolved, That this Resolution shall take effect immediately, and be it further

Resolved, That the 2017 County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

**Increase:**

Revenue		
20900600 94592	Federal Aid Bridges	\$ 12,800.00
20900600 93592	State Aid Bridges	2,400.00
20000000 30599	Appropriated Fund Balance	800.00
Expenditure		
20511300 02801	CO16 CR 30 over Indian River	\$ 16,000.00

and be it further

Resolved, That the six year capital plan is amended accordingly.

Seconded by Legislator: Jeremiah J. Maxon

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Drake, Peck, Fitzpatrick, Doldo, McBride, Reed, Johnson, Ferris, Adsit, Montigelli, Jareo, Gray

Absent: Maxon, Nabywaniec, Docteur

Resolution passed.

**Resolution No. 142**

**Accepting Donation for Sheriff's Department K-9 Unit  
and Amending the 2017 County Budget in Relation Thereto**

By Legislator: Robert D. Ferris

Whereas, The Sheriff's Department has received a donation from the North Pole Fire Department.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That this Board of Legislators does hereby gratefully accept said donation and be it further

Resolved, That the 2017 County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

**Increase:**

Revenue:		
01311000 92705	Gifts and Donations	\$ 1,502.72

Expenditures:		
01311000 04518	Canine Supplies/Expenses	\$ 1,502.72

Seconded by Legislator: Anthony J. Doldo

Legislator Jareo stated that when he voted against this in Committee it was because he was not positive what the purpose of the dog is, and until he receives assurances from the Sheriff that dogs are not being used to circumvent reasonable suspicion of probable cause he will continue to vote against K-9 resolutions, including donations.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Ferris, Drake, Adsit, Fitzpatrick, Doldo, Peck, Reed, Johnson, Montigelli, McBride, Gray

Nays: Jareo

Absent: Maxon, Nabywaniec, Docteur

Resolution passed.

**Resolution No. 143**

**Authorizing Agreement between the Jefferson County Office for the Aging/Jefferson County NY CONNECTS, Jefferson County Department of Social Services, Regional Center for Independent Living, and the Northern Regional Center for Independent Living**

By Legislator: Anthony J. Doldo

Whereas, New York State participation in the federal Balancing Incentive Program (BIP) structural reform requires the development of a Statewide No Wrong Door (NWD) system to enable consumers to access all non-institutional long-term services and supports through an agency, organization, or coordinated network, and

Whereas, To establish the interconnections required of NY Connects at the local level by and among the Parties and their respective contractors and subcontractors, a Memorandum of Understanding is needed between Jefferson County Office for the Aging/Jefferson County NY CONNECTS, Jefferson County Department of Social Services, Regional Center for Independent Living, and the Northern Regional Center for Independent Living.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the Chairman of the Board of Legislators is hereby authorized and directed to execute said agreement on behalf of Jefferson County, subject to approval by the County Attorney as to form and content.

Seconded by Legislator: Michael J. Docteur

All members present voted aye.

**Resolution No. 144**

**Amending the 2017 County Budget to Allocate Additional State Aid for Community Services Mental Health Programs**

By Legislator: Carolyn D. Fitzpatrick

Whereas, The New York State Office of Mental Health has approved additional State Aid for cost of living allowance as well as minimum wage increases, and

Whereas, The 2017 County Budget needs to be amended to reflect the additional funds.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the 2017 County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

**Increase:**  
Revenue

01431000 93490 State Aid - Mental Health \$7,863

Expenditures:

01432000 04707	CMHC Outpatient	\$ 63
01432000 04708	NIRCIL FSS RIV	581
01432000 04711	Carthage Area Hospital	204
01432000 04712	Contracted Mental Health Services	92
01432000 04714	NCTLS Reinvestment	997
01432000 04717	CMH Forensics	268
01432000 04718	JRC Employment	811
01432000 04721	Mental Health Assn	1,254
01432000 04732	Children's Home - Jeff. Co.	3,593

Seconded by Legislator: Allen T. Drake

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Reed, Ferris, Johnson, Jareo, McBride, Montigelli, Drake, Adsit, Peck, Doldo, Fitzpatrick, Gray

Absent: Nabywaniec, Docteur, Maxon

Resolution passed.

**Resolution No. 145**

**Authorizing Agreements for Provision of Mental Hygiene Services**

By Legislator: Robert D. Ferris

Whereas, New York State Mental Hygiene Law provides that the Jefferson County Community Services Board may contract for the provision of various mental hygiene services to the public with the approval of the Board of Legislators.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That, pursuant to Section 41.13 of the Mental Hygiene Law, this Board does hereby grant its approval for the Community Services Board to enter into agreements with the following not-for-profit organizations for provision of the referenced mental hygiene services during calendar year 2017 for consideration as reflected herein:

<u>Agency</u>	<u>Consideration to be Received from the County</u>	<u>State Aid</u>	<u>County Aid</u>
Carthage Area Hospital Behavioral Health Clinic	\$ 75,000	\$ 75,000	\$ 0

Credo Community Center for the Treatment of Addictions

Men's Halfway House	\$221,229	\$221,229	\$ 0
Chemical Dependence Clinic	\$327,222	\$272,526	\$ 54,696
Women's Drug Free Residential	\$496,696	\$496,696	\$ 0
Case Mgmt/Supportive Housing	\$ 85,512	\$ 85,512	\$ 0
Vocational/Education Program	\$116,741	\$116,741	\$ 0
Community Res. (Aftercare)	\$225,760	\$186,760	\$ 39,000
Res. Rehab. Svcs. For Youth	\$165,765	\$165,765	\$ 0
Opiate Treatment Program	\$225,906	\$225,906	\$ 0
Case Management/Vivitrol	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 0
Mental Health Outpatient Clinic	\$ 40,000	\$ 40,000	\$ 0

Alcohol/Substance Abuse Council DBA Pivot

Prevention Services & Stop DWI	\$783,689	\$688,689	\$ 50,000
			DWI \$ 45,000

Children's Home of Jefferson County

Family Respite	\$ 44,852	\$ 38,748	\$ 6,104
Mobile Crisis Outreach	\$143,139	\$123,875	\$ 19,264
Prevention Program	\$ 28,763	\$ 24,885	\$ 3,878
Health Home Management/SPOA/SPOE	\$362,539	\$362,539	\$ 0
Non-Medicaid Care Coordination Mgrs	\$116,667	\$116,667	\$ 0
Community Outpatient Clinic	\$ 78,807	\$ 31,487	\$ 47,320
Records Management	\$ 30,000	\$ 0	\$ 30,000
Forensic Jail Program	\$134,120	\$ 133,236	\$ 884

Jefferson Rehabilitation Center

Employment Programs	\$276,944	\$267,070	\$ 9,874
Ongoing Integrated Employment	\$ 78,500	\$ 78,500	\$ 0
Family Support Svcs.	\$ 5,000	\$ 0	\$ 5,000

Mental Health Assn.

Psychosocial/Drop-In Program	\$259,745	\$240,999	\$ 18,746
Adult Respite Program	\$ 38,821	\$ 33,473	\$ 5,348

Northern Regional Center for Independent Living

Family Support Services	\$243,206	\$235,013	\$ 8,193
Mental Health Advocacy	\$ 40,875	\$ 40,875	\$ 0

North Country Transitional Living Services DBA

Transitional Living Services of NNY

Supported Housing	\$385,614	\$376,170	\$ 9,444
Homeless/MICA/Case Mgmt. & Stop DWI	\$107,992	\$107,992	\$ 0
			DWI \$ 16,180

Samaritan Medical Center			
Outpatient Children's Services	\$ 75,000	\$ 40,000	\$ 35,000

and be it further

Resolved, That this Board further grants approval for the Community Services Board to enter into such agreements with the State of New York as may be required to obtain the State Aid funding outlined herein.

Seconded by Legislator: Jeremiah J. Maxon

All members present voted aye.

**Resolution No. 146**

**Accepting Funding for NYSDOH COLA for Lead Poisoning Prevention and Rabies Expense, and Amending the 2017 County Budget in Relation Thereto**

By Legislator: Allen T. Drake

Whereas, The New York State Department of Health has advised Jefferson County Public Health Service (JCPHS) of the distribution of Cost of Living Adjustment appropriations relative to the Lead Poisoning Prevention Program and Rabies Expense, and

Whereas, JCPHS will receive funding in the amount of \$5,944 for personal services offset for an extra downtown rabies clinic as well as advertising and other expenses to promote improved rabies vaccination rates and Lead Poisoning prevention awareness.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that Jefferson County hereby accepts said funding, and the 2017 County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

**Increase:**

Revenue		
01405000 93452	State Aid Public Health Other	\$4,873
01405000 94489	Federal Aid Public Health Other	1,071

Expenditure		
01405500 04585	Operating Supplies	3,578
01404200 04585	Operating Supplies	2,000

**Decrease**

Fund Balance		
01000000 30599	Appropriated Fund Balance	366

Seconded by Legislator: Carolyn D. Fitzpatrick

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Johnson, McBride, Adsit, Ferris, Jareo, Peck, Doldo, Montigelli, Fitzpatrick, Reed, Drake, Gray

Absent: Nabywaniec, Docteur, Maxon

Resolution passed.

**Resolution No. 147**

**Accepting Funding for NYSDOH COLA for Immunization Action Plan and Amending the 2017 County Budget in Relation Thereto**

By Legislator: Michael J. Docteur

Whereas, The New York State Department of Health has advised Jefferson County Public Health Service (JCPHS) of the distribution of Cost of Living Adjustment appropriations relative to the Immunization Action Plan, and

Whereas, JCPHS will receive funding in the amount of \$4,789 for personal services offset for increased education opportunities in the community as well as advertising and other expenses to promote improved immunization rates.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that Jefferson County hereby accepts said funding, and the 2017 County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

**Increase:**

Revenue

01405000 93452	State Aid Public Health Other	\$2,921
01405000 94489	Federal Aid Public Health Other	1,868

Expenditure

01405100 04415	Advertising	800
01405100 04585	Operating Supplies	2,114

**Decrease**

Fund Balance

01000000 30599	Appropriated Fund Balance	1,875
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Seconded by Legislator: Robert D. Ferris

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: McBride, Johnson, Montigelli, Jareo, Fitzpatrick, Reed, Adsit, Drake, Peck,

Doldo, Ferris, Gray

Absent: Docteur, Nabywaniec, Maxon

Resolution passed.

**Resolution No. 148**

**Authorizing an Agreement with Cognizant for Electronic Billing of  
Commercial Insurance Claims**

By Legislator: Carolyn D. Fitzpatrick

Whereas, The volume of commercial insurance claims has increased for the accounting department at Public Health and in order to streamline this process, options were explored regarding electronic billing for our largest commercial insurance plans that would also be more cost effective, resource efficient and create a faster turnaround for payment, and

Whereas, For the approximately 40-50 United Health Care and 30-35 Blue Cross/Blue Shield monthly claims we can upload the claims electronically to Cognizant for processing to the insurance companies for a cost of \$40 per month and a cost of \$.40 each for any claim over the 100 included in the monthly amount, and

Whereas, We anticipate a faster payment on the claims and a savings in time, money and postage over our current methods based on our POMCO experience. This in turn will give us greater leeway to meet timely filing deadlines and a faster turnover of our accounts receivable.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That Jefferson County is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with Cognizant to bill insurance company claims electronically via file upload for \$40/month and \$.40 per claim greater than 100 claims per month, and be it further

Resolved, That the Chairman of the Board of Legislators is hereby authorized and directed to execute said agreement on behalf of Jefferson County, subject to approval by the County Attorney as to form and content.

Seconded by Legislator: Michael J. Docteur

All members present voted aye.

**Resolution No. 149**

**Accepting Funding for NYS Health Building Healthy Communities Conference  
Scholarships and Amending the 2017 County Budget in Relation Thereto**

By Legislator: Allen T. Drake

Whereas, The New York State Department of Health has advised Jefferson County Public Health Service (JCPHS) of the award of scholarships covering the 2017 Annual Meeting of the American Public Health Association, and

Whereas, JCPHS will receive funding in the amount of \$3,827 for Faith Lustik and Lisa Lagos to attend the meeting to promote innovative ideas related to building healthy communities.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that Jefferson County hereby accepts said funding, and the 2017 County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

**Increase:**

Revenue		
01405000 91689	Other Health Department Income	\$3,827
Expenditure		
01405100 04613	Training	1,030
01406000 04313	Travel	2,797

Seconded by Legislator: Michael J. Docteur

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Jareo, Adsit, Drake, Fitzpatrick, McBride, Reed, Montigelli, Peck, Johnson, Doldo, Ferris, Gray

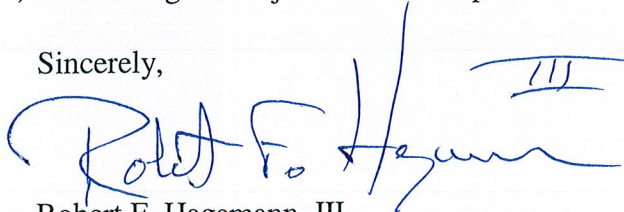
Absent: Docteur, Maxon, Nabywaniec

Resolution passed.

Chairman Gray acknowledged Legislator Ferris' birthday earlier in the week, and Legislator Adsit's birthday today.

There being no further business of the Board, on a motion by Legislator Peck seconded by Legislator Montigelli and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Sincerely,



Robert F. Hagemann, III  
Clerk of the Board