

## **REGULAR SESSION**

**FEBRUARY 7, 2017**

Chairman Gray called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

### **ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS**

All members present except Legislators Reed, Drake, and Ferris.

### **PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR**

No one from the public wished to address the Board.

Christine Watkins, Executive Director of the Jefferson County Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) presented a Manure Management video to the Board featuring the Porter family and other experts in that field. She said their Board and staff decided there was a need for this video to help the general public understand what today's dairy farmers do on a day to day basis to manage manure and protect the environment. She said people don't understand the differences the bigger dairy farmers face vs. the mom and pop dairy farmers of 50 years ago, and this video helps to educate and inform. The video is available on the SWCD website, Facebook page as well as YouTube. She said funding for this project was provided by the NYS Soil and Water Conservation Committee and by the Finger Lakes - Lake Ontario Watershed Protection Alliance (FOLLOWPA) through the NYS Environmental Protection Fund. Legislator Montigelli thanked Director Watkins for taking time tonight to present this to the Board as he felt it was important for elected officials to see it. Chairman Gray also thanked Ms. Watkins and said the video was informative and very well done.

### **MINUTES OF LAST SESSION**

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

### **PETITIONS, NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS**

Correspondence was received from Senator Patty Ritchie acknowledging receipt of the Board's resolution in favor of the State taking over the cost of Indigent Defense services. She noted that she was disappointed the Governor vetoed this legislation, and said she would be making enactment of this reform a top priority.

Resolutions passed by the New York State Association of Counties (NYSAC) at their recent conference were received.

### **REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

The Finance & Rules Committee reported favorably on resolutions referred from other jurisdictional committees, and on Legislators' expenses.

## **REPORTS OF COUNTY OFFICERS AND OTHERS**

The County Treasurer provided a report on investments and a summary of cash in banks for the month ended 12/31/2016.

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

The County Auditor provided a report on erroneous assessments for the month of January, 2017, and the 2016 Annual Report.

2016 Annual Reports were also received from the following departments: Dog Control, County Clerk, and Probation.

A 2016 Annual Report was also received from Cooperative Extension of Jefferson County.

## **LOCAL LAWS, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS**

### **Resolution No. 37**

#### **Payment of Legislators' Expenses**

By Legislator: Daniel R. McBride

Whereas, This Committee to whom claims of the members of the Board were referred, has examined and audited such claims and finds the total to be \$3,115.00, we have allowed:

Legislator Expense:	\$3,115.00
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Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the County Treasurer be and is hereby directed to draw checks payable to the claimants as audited.

Seconded by Legislator: William W. Johnson

Chairman Gray entertained a motion to amend the resolution to include mileage and tolls expenses from legislators attending the NYSAC Conference - the total amount of expenses is **\$3,877.91**. A motion was duly made by Legislator Fitzpatrick seconded by Legislator Doldo and there being no discussion, the Board unanimously approved the amendment.

All members present voted aye on the resolution, as amended.

**Resolution No. 38**

**Appointing Member to Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Directors**

By Legislator: James A. Nabywaniec

Resolved, Pursuant to Section 7 of the Soil & Water Conservation Districts Law, the following individual is hereby appointed to the Soil & Water Conservation District Board for a term to expire as noted:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Term to Expire</u>
Michael Kiechle, Practical Farmer At Large	12/31/2018

Seconded by Legislator: Carolyn D. Fitzpatrick

All members present voted aye.

**Resolution No. 39**

**Cancelling Delinquent Real Property Taxes and Prospectively Exempting from Real Property Taxes Certain Parcels of Property.**

By Legislator: James A. Nabywaniec

Whereas, Certain parcels of real property have been the subject of *in rem* tax foreclosure proceedings by the County of Jefferson and prior to obtaining a judgement of foreclosure the Tax Enforcement Officer withdrew said parcels pursuant to Real Property Tax Law §1138, and

Whereas, The Tax Enforcement Officer withdrew said parcels on the basis that if the County were to acquire the parcels, there is a significant risk that the County might be exposed to a liability substantially in excess of the amount that could be recovered by enforcing the tax liens, and

Whereas, Said parcels consist of former gasoline stations, junkyards and structurally compromised buildings, and

Whereas, Investigation by the County has confirmed that the condition of each property presents a risk of liability in excess of the amount that could be recovered by enforcing the tax lien.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That it is hereby determined that presently, and for the foreseeable future, there is no practical method to enforce the collection of the delinquent taxes for the attached list of parcels (Exhibit "A" consisting of two (2) pages ), and that a supplementary proceeding to collect the taxes from the owners is not feasible, and it is further

Resolved, That pursuant to Real Property Tax Law § 1138(6)(d) , the Tax Enforcement Officer is hereby directed to issue a certificate of prospective cancellation, exempting the aforesaid parcels of property from real property taxation.

Seconded by Legislator: William W. Johnson

EXHIBIT "A"

<u>Town</u>	<u>Parcel No.</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Owner</u>
<u>District 2:</u>			
Brownville	73.73-1-7	680 Main St.	Mukash Patel Corp. (Gas Station)
<u>District 3:</u>			
Alexandria	14.00-1-14.1	25274 NYS Rt 26	Arthur Dufresne (Gas Station)
Alexandria	8.18-1-12	43891 NYS Rt 37	Thomas Bain (Gas Station)
Alexandria	2.68-1-94.2	Park Road	Wellesley Island Realty (Dirt Road)
Alexandria	3.00-1-24	46787 Barnes Settlement Rd.	Watertown Iron & Metal (Junk Yard)
Orleans	6.18-1-54.1	44378 CR 191	Michael Small (Gas Station)
Orleans	13.10-1-15.1	43061 NYS Rte 12	Michael Small (Gas Station)
<u>District 4:</u>			
Antwerp	36.40-1-31	56 Main St.	Jesus & Laura Jimenez (Unsound Row Bldg)
Antwerp	36.40-1-34	62 Main St.	Ervin Lashbrook (Unsound Row Bldg)

LeRay	55.63-1-1	8772 Factory Street	Robert Weichert (Unsound Warehouse)
Theresa	23.80-1-40	213 Main St.	Bethany Smith (Gas Station)
Theresa	23.71-1-12	410 Main St.	Michael White (Gas Station)
LeRay	55.00-1-50	CR 46	Robert Weichert (Unsound Warehouse)

District 9:

Ellisburg	129.00-2-1.1	Vanwormer Rd.	Ontario Retread (Bldg filled w/tires)
Ellisburg	129.00-2-1.2	15640 Vanwormer Rd.	Ontario Retread (Bldg filled w/tires)
Henderson	106.09-2-46	8851 NYS Route 178	Victor Scott (Gas Station)

District 10:

Adams	112.36-1-31	19-21 VFW Drive	Greenley Fuel Co. (Fuel Oil Storage)
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District 11:

Rutland	75.15-1-7	30116 NYS Rt 3	Roger Harmer (Gas Station)
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District 14:

Pamelia	63.20-1-11	26289 Perch Lake Road	Alan Snyder (Gas Station)
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Legislator Peck appreciated the solutions that the Ad Hoc Committee came up with but said it seems like a short term solution, and wondered what the long term game plan is.

Chairman Gray related that the Real Estate Ad Hoc Committee has been working on how to handle problem, tax delinquent properties since former Legislator Michael Behling was chair of the Committee a number of years ago, and this step is part of what the long term plan is. He said

it is not easy work and a lot of time has been spent by the County Attorney and the Real Property Tax Services Department to get to this point. Properties are categorized into (1) those able to be sold at auction as is, (2) those that have complicated environmental issues that are not able to be resolved in the short term so there is no sense paying taxes on them, and (3) those that can be placed in further review to determine if we can clean them up through a Phase I or Phase II process and look for partners to assist in cleaning them up to get them back on the tax rolls. Attorney Paulsen added that each property being addressed by the resolution is a little different but even if they were cleaned up they all have low marketability, low value, and are not likely to be cleaned up in the near future.

Legislator Jareo asked if the property owners retain ownership of the property throughout this process and if they will still owe the back taxes from before the property entered this stage. Attorney Paulsen confirmed that they do retain ownership of the property until such time as it is cleaned up or the County takes title to it through foreclosure, but they still owe all of the back taxes, interest and penalties no matter what happens. He further related that there can not just be an eyesore issue, there has to be a code enforcement issue in order for a town to come in and do clean up on a property, but they do not take title to the property.

Legislator Peck expressed misgivings about excusing taxes on a property only to have the owner come in years down the road and pay the taxes, interest and penalties that are currently due and have the property be in the same condition it is in now. He asked if there was a trigger mechanism for us to protect ourselves from that happening. Attorney Paulsen said it has nothing to do with ownership or the taxes, but that each of these properties have an impediment (environmental contamination, structural issue, etc.) to the County taking title to them and being able to sell the property at a tax sale auction. He said it might be advantageous to review the properties every so often to see if they need to be returned to the tax rolls, and Legislator Peck agreed with that course of action.

Legislator Doldo stated that regular updates from the Real Estate Ad Hoc Committee would help to keep everyone informed as this resolution seemed to need to be adopted fairly quickly after it was introduced, and everyone was caught unaware. It doesn't necessarily affect his district in the City of Watertown, but legislators who represent towns need to have an understanding of what is going on with regard to properties in their districts.

There being no further discussion, all members present voted aye.

#### **Resolution No. 40**

#### **Authorizing Agreement and Amending the 2017 County Budget in Relation to the FY 2016-17 State Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) Sustainment Grant**

By Legislator: Anthony J. Doldo

Whereas, The New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services has awarded Jefferson County \$205,628 from the FY2016-17 State Public Safety Answering Point

(PSAP) Sustainment grant, and

Whereas, The County must enter into an agreement with the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services to receive these grant funds to be utilized for the sustainment of the Jefferson County Public Safety Answering Point (911 Center). These funds will be utilized to purchase equipment maintenance, software maintenance and computer hardware, and

Whereas, The 2017 County Budget must also be amended to recognize the revenue and place the funds in the appropriate accounts.

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved, That the County of Jefferson agrees to accept the \$205,628, and the Chairman of the Board of Legislators be and is hereby authorized and directed to execute said grant agreements on behalf of Jefferson County, subject to the review of the County Attorney as to form and content, and be it further

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

**Increase:**

Revenue		
01341000 93305	State Aid Fire & Emergency Management	\$205,628

Expenditure		
01311200 01100	Personnel Cost	30,628
01341100 041113	Computer Equipment	20,000
01341100 04418	Technological Services	12,000
01341100 041143	911 Computer Software Maintenance	13,000
01341100 041141	911 Equipment Maintenance	130,000

Seconded by Legislator: James A. Nabywaniec

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Adsit, Doldo, Peck, Docteur, Maxon, Montigelli, McBride, Jareo, Nabywaniec, Johnson, Fitzpatrick, Gray

Absent: Reed, Drake, Ferris

Resolution passed.

**Resolution No. 41**

**Reappropriating Funds from Various Unspent Grants Relative to the Fire and Emergency Management Department and Amending the 2017 County Budget in Relation Thereto**

By Legislator: Jeremiah J. Maxon

Whereas, Jefferson County, through its Fire and Emergency Management Department, has received and recognized various grants in 2015 and 2016 which have not been fully expended, and

Whereas, Said Grants and their remaining unspent amounts include the FY2015 Hazmat grant (\$21,510.07), the FY15 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) grant (\$97,500), the FY2016 Hazmat grant (\$52,000), FY16 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) grant (\$97,500), and FY16 Emergency Management Performance (EMPG) grant (11,763.74), for a grand total of \$280,273.81, and

Whereas, said funds must be reappropriated and placed in the appropriate expenditure lines.

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

**Increase:**

Expenditures:

01341400 01100	Personal Services	\$ 11,763.74
01341400 02300	Technical Equipment	19,000.00
01341400 02302	Radios	194,010.07
01341400 04119	Computer Software	10,500.00
01341400 04416	Professional Fees	14,500.00
01341400 04485	Shared Municipal Services	13,000.00
01341400 04514	Uniforms & Clothing	4,500.00
01341400 04585	Operating Supplies	13,000.00

Appropriated Fund Balance:

01000000 30599	Appropriated Fund Balance	\$280,273.81
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Seconded by Legislator: Anthony J. Doldo

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Fitzpatrick, Maxon, Adsit, Montigelli, Peck, Docteur, McBride, Nabywaniec, Jareo, Johnson, Doldo, Gray

Absent: Reed, Ferris, Drake

Resolution passed.

**Resolution No. 42**

**Authorizing Extension of Memorandum of Agreement with the New York**

## **State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services**

By Legislator: James A. Nabywaniec

Whereas, Pursuant to Resolution 124 of 2015, The New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services provides Jefferson County, at no cost, certain software licenses and hardware to enable five County users to participate in a Mutualink Edge Subscription Service, which serves as a common communications platform across counties for emergency management and public safety planning and response, and

Whereas, NYS Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services would like to extend the terms of the original agreement to January 31, 2018, and

Whereas, The Director of Fire and Emergency Management recommends extending the said agreement, and

Whereas, For the sake of expediency, this Board of Legislators desires to authorize the Director of Fire and Emergency Management to execute such mutual aid agreements in the future.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That Jefferson County enter into an extended MOA as described above, and that the Director of Fire and Emergency Management is hereby authorized and directed to execute said agreement on behalf of Jefferson County, subject to the review of the County Attorney as to form and content.

Seconded by Legislator: Jeremiah J. Maxon

All members present voted aye.

### **Resolution No. 43**

#### **Authorizing Agreements in Connection with New York State Snowmobile Trails Grant-in-Aid Program and Amending 2017 Budget in Relation Thereto**

By Legislator: Jeremiah J. Maxon

Whereas, Jefferson County has been notified by New York State Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation that it has received an award of \$56,860.00 through the 2016-2017 Snowmobile Trails Grant-In-Aid Program, based upon a grant application submitted by the County in cooperation with the Winona Forest Recreation Association, Barnes Corners Sno-Pals Snowmobile Club, Thousand Islands Snowmobile Club, and Missing Link Snowmobile Club.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That Jefferson County does hereby accept the above referenced funding and authorizes the Chair of the Board of Legislators to execute such grant agreements and other documents as may be required to receive the funding from the State of New York, and be it further

Resolved, That the Chair of the Board is further authorized to execute agreements between the County of Jefferson, the Winona Forest Recreation Association, Barnes Corners Sno-Pals, Thousand Islands, and Missing Link snowmobile clubs, upon the approval of the County Attorney as to form and content, which provides for said organizations to conduct snowmobile trail development and maintenance consistent with the referenced grant application and grant program requirements, and be it further

Resolved, That the 2017 County Budget be amended as follows:

**Increase:**

Expenditures:

01798900 04600	Snowmobile Trail Maint\Dev	\$ 56,860.00
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Revenues:

01802000 93889	Snowmobile Trail Maint\Dev	\$ 56,860.00
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Seconded by Legislator: Robert D. Ferris

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Adsit, Docteur, Jareo, Doldo, Maxon, Nabywaniec, McBride, Johnson, Montigelli, Peck, Fitzpatrick, Gray

Absent: Reed, Drake, Ferris

Resolution passed.

**Resolution No. 44**

**Amending the 2016 County Budget Relative to Overtime Reimbursement  
for the Sheriff's Department**

By Legislator: Anthony J. Doldo

Whereas, The Alcohol and Substance Abuse Council of Jefferson County has reimbursed the Sheriff's Department for overtime costs incurred while performing compliance checks, and

Whereas, The Department has requested that the County Budget be amended to recognize these funds and to increase its prior year overtime account accordingly.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the 2016 County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

**Increase:**

Revenue:



**Increase:**

Revenue:  
01311000 943201                      Federal Aid Other Public Safety                      \$ 59,005.12

Expenditures:  
01311400 01300                      Operation Stonegarden Overtime                      \$ 18,000.00  
01311400 02300                      Operation Stonegarden Technical Equipment                      32,965.12  
01311400 043101                      Operation Stonegarden Internal Fleet Expense                      1,760.09  
01311400 04311                      Operation Stonegarden Gasoline & Oil                      879.91  
01311400 08010                      Operation Stonegarden Retirement                      2,564.46  
01311400 08030                      Operation Stonegarden Social Security                      2,147.04  
01311400 08040                      Operation Stonegarden Workers Comp.                      688.50

Seconded by Legislator: Robert D. Ferris

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Peck, McBride, Adsit, Doldo, Nabywaniec, Fitzpatrick, Johnson, Docteur, Montigelli, Gray

Nays: Jareo, Maxon

Absent: Drake, Ferris, Reed

Resolution passed.

**Resolution No. 46**

**Re-Appointing Members to the Community Services Board**

By Legislator: Anthony J. Doldo

Resolved, That pursuant to Section 41.11 of the Mental Hygiene Law the following individuals are hereby re-appointed as members of the Jefferson County Community Services Board and the designated sub-committee thereof for terms to expire as indicated below:

<u>Member</u>	<u>Sub-Committee</u>	<u>Term to Expire</u>
Jennifer Lachenauer	Mental Health	12/31/2019
Karen Richmond	Mental Health	12/31/2019
Jennifer Draper	People with Developmental Disabilities	12/31/2019

Seconded by Legislator: Robert D. Ferris

All members present voted aye.

**Resolution No. 47**

Amending the 2017 County Budget Relative to Veterans Peer Support (P2P) Pilot Program

By Legislator: Carolyn D. Fitzpatrick

Whereas, By Resolution 119 of 2016 funding was received for the Veterans Peer Support (P2P) Pilot Program for the period of July 1, 2016 - June 30, 2017, and

Whereas, \$173,375 in unspent funds must be reappropriated into the 2017 County Budget which will be used by River hospital and the Jefferson County Mental Health Association for the period of January 1, 2017 - June 30, 2017 and July 1, 2017 - December 31, 2017, and

Whereas, \$92,500 in additional 2017 Mental Health State Aid funding will also be received for this program.

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

**Increase:**

01000000 30599	Appropriated Fund Balance	\$173,375
01431000 93490	State Aid Mental Health	92,500
Expenditures		
01432000 04735	Veterans Peer Support	265,875

Seconded by Legislator: Robert D. Ferris

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Nabwyaniec, Johnson, Doldo, Maxon, McBride, Fitzpatrick, Montigelli, Jareo, Adsit, Peck, Docteur, Gray

Absent: Drake, Ferris, Reed

Resolution passed.

**Resolution No. 48**

**Accepting Funding in Connection With Public Health Rabies Control Activities  
and Amending the 2017 County Budget in Relation Thereto**

By Legislator: Robert D. Ferris

Whereas, The Jefferson County Public Health Service (JCPHS) was notified by New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets that additional funding in the amount of \$12,500 for enhanced rabies control activities to county residents is included in the New York State 2016-2017 Budget, and

Whereas, The Public Health Service will use these funds to support increased offerings of rabies vaccinations within Jefferson County, and

Whereas, The donated funds are to be used to cover all associated costs of additional clinics inclusive of Public Health staff time (for logistics, planning and operations), veterinarian staff, advertising and necessary supplies (vaccines, syringes, etc.), and any remaining funds will be utilized to support vaccination clinic operations in 2017 as traditionally offered by JCPHS, and

Whereas, The Public Health Service recognizes the importance of collaboration with community partners in enhanced rabies control through rabies education and vaccination efforts.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That Jefferson County hereby authorizes the receipt and use of the funding to reduce rabies incidence in the County, and be it further

Resolved, That the Chairman of the Board of Legislators be and is hereby authorized and directed to execute any and all documents as may be required to fulfill the requirements of this grant award, subject to the approval by the County Attorney as to form and content, and be it further

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

**Increase:**

Revenue		
01405000 93452	State Aid Public Health Other	\$12,500

Expenditure		
01404200 1110	Temporary	\$ 480
01404200 1300	Overtime	470
01404200 4313	Travel	200
01404200 4415	Advertising	3,821
01404200 4510	Medical Supplies	7,375
01404200 8010	Retirement	82
01404200 8030	Social Security	72

Seconded by Legislator: Carolyn D. Fitzpatrick

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Jareo, Adsit, Nabywaniec, McBride, Johnson, Fitzpatrick, Docteur, Montigelli,

Doldo, Maxon, Peck, Gray

Absent: Reed, Ferris, Drake

Resolution passed.

**Resolution No. 49**

**Amending the 2017 County Budget to Re-Appropriate  
Lead Poisoning Prevention Program Funding**

By Legislator: Anthony J. Doldo

Whereas, By Resolution 158 of 2016, this Board of Legislators accepted \$43,427 in New York State Department of Health funding for Lead Poisoning Prevention activities to County residents, and New York State Department of Health has allowed the Public Health Service until 05/01/17 to expend the unspent funds, and

Whereas, There remain unspent CLPPP Grant funds that must be re-appropriated for 2017.

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

**Increase:**

01000000 30599	Appropriated Fund Balance	\$6,069
Expenditure		
01405500 04585	Operating Supplies	1,619
01405500 04416	Professional Fees	4,450

Seconded by Legislator: Carolyn D. Fitzpatrick

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: McBride, Johnson, Nabywaniec, Doldo, Fitzpatrick, Peck, Adsit, Jareo, Montigelli, Maxon, Docteur, Gray

Absent: Drake, Reed, Ferris

Resolution passed.

**Resolution No. 50**

**Accepting Donation on Behalf of the Department of Social Services  
and Amending the 2017 County Budget**

By Legislator: Robert D. Ferris

Whereas, A business has donated funds to the Jefferson County Department of Social Services to be used for the Foster Care Program, and

Whereas, The 2017 County Budget must be amended to recognize this donation.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That Pursuant to County Law Section 215 (3), this Board of Legislators gratefully accepts said donation and be it further

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

**Increase:**

Revenue:		
01601000 92705	Donations	\$200.00

Expenditure:		
01601000 04624	Client Incidentals	\$200.00

Seconded by Legislator: Jeremiah J. Maxon

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Johnson, Doldo, Peck, Fitzpatrick, Jareo, Adsit, Docteur, McBride, Maxon, Nabywaniec, Montigelli, Gray

Absent: Drake, Ferris, Reed

Resolution passed.

Chairman Gray entertained a motion to waive the Standing Rules to permit the introduction of two additional resolutions for consideration. Such motion was made by Legislator Peck seconded by Legislator Montigelli and unanimously carried by the Board.

**Resolution No. 51**

**Concurring in Settlement of Tax Certiorari Proceedings and Authorizing Refund of Taxes in Connection Therewith (Pine Tree Resorts, Inc.).**

By Legislator: Michael J. Docteur

Whereas, Pursuant to Article 7 of the Real Property Tax Law, Pine Tree Resorts, Inc., commenced court proceedings to obtain reductions of the assessed valuation of property in the Town of Alexandria, and

Whereas, The Town of Alexandria has reached a settlement of the proceedings with regard to tax map parcel nos. 3.78-1-1.1, 3.78-1-1.2, and 3.78-1-1.3, with proposed assessed values as follows:

<u>Tax Year</u>		<u>Original Assessment</u>	<u>Reduced Assessment</u>
2014			
3.78-1-1.1			
3.78-1-1.2	(combined)	\$3,793,700.00	\$1,900,000.00
3.78-1-1.3			

and

Whereas, the amount of the refund exceeds the authorization of the County Auditor and Treasurer to pay refunds of up to \$5,000.00 without the approval of the Board of Legislators.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That Jefferson County concurs in the settlements as outlined herein above, and be it further

Resolved, That the County Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to make appropriate refund (\$14,723.27) and to charge back the taxing jurisdiction in accordance with the settlement and Real Property Tax Law §727.

Seconded by Legislator: Carolyn D. Fitzpatrick

All members present voted aye.

### **Resolution No. 52**

#### **Appointing Member to Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency**

By Legislator: Patrick R. Jareo

Whereas, The 1972 Legislature of the State of New York created the Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That, Pursuant to Article 18a of the General Municipal Law, the Jefferson County Board of Legislators hereby appoints William W. Johnson to serve at the pleasure of the Board of Legislators, concurrent with his term as County Legislator, as a member of the Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency.

Seconded by Legislator: Jeremiah J. Maxon

Chairman Gray thanked Legislator Maxon for his service on the IDA Board for the last year and congratulated him on his new employment with New York State.

All members present voted aye.

Community Services Director Roger Ambrose introduced Alicia Rupert the new Mental Health Coordinator in his office. Mr. Ambrose said her former employment was with the Northern Regional Center for Independent Living (NRCIL) so she is familiar with Community Services programs, and encouraged legislators to contact her if she could be of assistance.

On a motion by Legislator Maxon seconded by Legislator Jareo and unanimously carried, the Board entered executive session at 6:15 p.m. to discuss contract negotiations. On a motion by Legislator Maxon seconded by Legislator Doldo and unanimously carried, the Board returned to open session at 6:25 p.m.

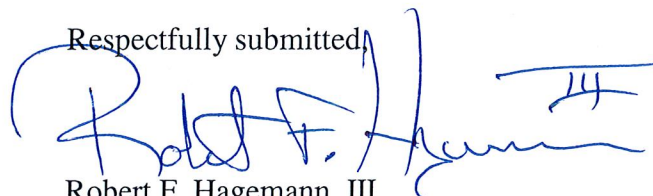
Legislator Peck reminded legislators that everyone is required to have a form of picture identification when filing their income taxes this year, which may pose a problem for elderly folks who may have given up their drivers license and don't have any other form of ID. He spoke to County Clerk Gizelle Meeks and said anyone can visit their local DMV and get a photo ID done.

Legislator Doldo stated that Dispatch operations are back at the Public Safety Building in their newly renovated space. He gave kudos to the Information Technology Department for their work on the project.

With regard to the NYSAC Conference last week Chairman Gray and Legislators Montigelli and Johnson reported that there was good information exchanged about the opiate crisis, proposals in the Governor's budget which will be negotiated with the legislature, and Next Gen 911 to name a few of the topics.

There being no further business of the Board, on a motion by Legislator Maxon seconded by Legislator Johnson and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Robert F. Hagemann, III". The signature is stylized and includes a large flourish at the end. To the right of the signature, there is a small, handwritten number "14".

Robert F. Hagemann, III  
Clerk of the Board