

## PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Date: Thursday, February 28, 2019 @ 1:00 PM

Present: **Davis, Grant**, Kehl, Tallman, Leuer, May, Brick, Ryan

Absent: J. Cook/Budget Officer

Also Present: C. Ketchum/Board Clerk; A. D. Berwanger/Board Chair; D. Farberman/HR Director; K. Granger, T/Castile; D. Tallman, T/Gainesville

Department Agenda Item	Discussion	Decision	Action
<b>Committee Chair's Agenda</b>			
		Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:
<b>1:00 PM Highway &amp; Bridges w/T. Gadd</b>			
<p><b>1. FYI ~ Referred to 03-05-19 Finance Committee from 02-26-19 Human Resources</b>  <i>Position Create/Fill: Highway</i>                      One (1) position of <b>Deputy County Highway Superintendent (Per Diem) (Temp)</b> on Schedule S at \$35.6788/hr. (Annual Salary Equivalent of \$74,496.00) annually; position available: March 11, 2019 for 6 months from date of hire.</p>		Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:
<p><b>2. FYI ~ Referred to 03-05-19 Finance Committee from 02-26-19 Human Resources</b>  <i>Position Fill: Highway</i>                      Four (4) positions of <b>Motor Equipment Operator (Seasonal)</b> (1.00 FTE) (position codes 086.163, 090.163, 084.163, 091.163) (for 26 weeks) at \$13.75/hr.; position available: March 6, 2019.</p>		Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:
<p><b>3. FYI ~ Referred to 03-05-19 Finance Committee from 02-26-19 Human Resources</b>  <i>Position Create/Fill: Highway</i>                      One (1) position of <b>Motor Equipment Operator (Seasonal)</b> (1.00 FTE) (for 26 weeks) at \$13.75/hr.; position available: March 13, 2019.</p>		Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:

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<i>At 1:15 PM Supervisor Brick, T/Perry entered the meeting during the below agenda item.</i>			
<p><b>4. FYI ~ Referred to 03-05-19 Finance Committee from 02-26-19 Human Resources</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Amend Salary Schedule "S":</i></p> <p>Set Salary of <i>Deputy Co. Highway Supt.</i> (Position Code 005.503) at \$66,300.00 annually; effective on or about March 4.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Upon completion of three (3) mos. satisfactory performance and meeting pre-established goals, set salary to \$70,000.00 annually,</li> <li>• Upon completion of nine (9) mos. satisfactory performance and meeting pre-established goals, set salary to \$75,000.00 annually,</li> <li>• All other compensation and benefits as stipulated in Salary Schedule "S" and associated handbook.</li> </ul>		<p>Motion:</p> <p>Ayes:</p> <p>Noes:</p> <p>Absent:</p>	<p>Carried:</p> <p>Defeated:</p> <p>Referred to:</p>
<p><i>Hwy. Supt. Gadd publicly apologized for not reaching out to his Committee Chair to notify him of his choice in A. Santoro to fill the vacated position of Deputy County Highway Superintendent. Supervisor Davis, T/Covington, stated that he changed his mind after hearing from Director Santoro on his decision to accept the position during the Public Safety Committee earlier today. Hwy. Supt. Gadd will appear at 9:00 AM at the Finance Committee to advocate for \$75K annual salary. Supervisor Leuer, T/Middlebury instructed Supt. Gadd to be prepared to explain what Mr. Santoro's role at Co. Highway will be. Meaning no disrespect to the Public Works Committee nor the Board of Supervisors, Supt. Gadd stated that the Board of Supervisors has entrusted him to run County Highway and its \$10M budget. The Deputy Supt. is Co. Hwy. Supt.'s appointment as per County Highway Law. The Deputy's responsibilities will be to manage people and projects. County Highway Supt. Gadd explained that he had recruited Mr. Santoro because of his working knowledge of Mr. Santoro's organization and management skills.</i></p>			
<p><b>4. February Work Update</b></p>	<p><i>Reviewed and attached.</i></p>	<p>Motion:</p> <p>Ayes:</p> <p>Noes:</p> <p>Absent:</p>	<p>Carried:</p> <p>Defeated:</p> <p>Referred to:</p>
<p><b>5. Professional Service Contract (5,001 or greater):</b></p> <p>Authorize Chairman to sign SLA Supp. #2 with <i>NYSDOT</i>, 50 Wolf Road, Albany, NY 12232 for PM #09 Preventative Maintenance of 9 bridges in Wyoming County; BIN 3319440, 3321620, 3320100, 3320130, 3320200, 3320330, 3320250, 3369540 &amp; 3369830; PIN 4WYO.01 for Engineering/Design, ROW and Construction for a total amount not to exceed \$953,000.00 effective through 12/08/2027.</p>		<p>Motion: Ryan</p> <p>Ayes: 8</p> <p>Noes:</p> <p>Absent:</p>	<p>Carried: <b>XXX</b></p> <p>Defeated:</p> <p>Referred to:</p> <p><b>*RESOLUTION</b></p>

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6. <b>Permission to host an</b> AG/Truck Inspection Class on April 6, 2019 from 10 am – 3 pm @ Co. Highway.		Motion: Kehl Ayes: 8 Noes: Absent:	Carried: <b>XXX</b> Defeated: Referred to:  <b>APPROVED</b>
7. <b>2019 Winter NYSAC Conf. Resolution:</b> • <i>Resolution Urging the Enactment of an Increase in the Statutory CHIPS Bidding Threshold</i>		Motion: Grant Ayes: 8 Noes: Absent:	Carried: <b>XXX</b> Defeated: Referred to:  <b>*RESOLUTION</b>
8. <b>2019 Winter NYSAC Conf. Resolution:</b> • <i>Resolution Urging the Governor and State Lawmakers to Grant Design- Build Construction Authority to Counties and New York City</i>		Motion: Grant Ayes: 8 Noes: Absent:	Carried: <b>XXX</b> Defeated: Referred to:  <b>*RESOLUTION</b>
9. <b>2019 Winter NYSAC Conf. Resolution:</b> • <i>Resolution Urging the Governor and State Lawmakers to Exclude Local Costs for Road, Bridge, and Infrastructure Capital Construction Projects from the Annual Property Tax Cap Calculation</i>		Motion: Grant Ayes: 8 Noes: Absent:	Carried: <b>XXX</b> Defeated: Referred to:  <b>*RESOLUTION</b>
10. <b>Miscellaneous:</b> • NYS 2010 Signs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 5-6 State routes</li> <li>○ Lack of road range #'s on signage</li> <li>○ Late last summer/fall Supt. Gadd started reviewing</li> <li>○ Signs are fading</li> <li>○ State takes no responsibility</li> <li>○ Wyo. Co. not alone; other counties too</li> <li>○ No warranty – Supt Gadd knew that</li> <li>○ EMS doesn't care who fixes them</li> <li>○ Road name signs fading only</li> <li>○ &lt;\$1,000 in material to fix – about 75 signs total</li> </ul>		Motion: May Ayes: 8 Noes: Absent:	Carried: <b>XXX</b> Defeated: Referred to:  <b>APPROVED</b>

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<p><b>RGRTA –</b>  <i>Tearing down a few buildings</i>                      1. 16 H x 42W 100 stockade insulated OH doors on both ends                      2. 30 x 42 Morton Building 1 man door - 1 OH door                      County Highway will take down for free then county will keep the bldgs.                      Chairman Berwanger encouraged Supt. Gadd to proceed                      RGRTA agreeable tentatively                      No environmental issues                      Chairman Berwanger talked to Bill Carpenter at the RGRTA, he agreed                      County employees that worked for Morton agreed that it could be done                      Chairman segued into the Village of Castile’s request to utilize County workforce to build addition onto PW Bldg. M. Adamczak was consulted when he steered the Chairman to Highway because he knew Highway had 2 guys that used to work for Morton.                      County has the equipment                      Not going into business</p>			
<p><i>Permission for Chairman Berwanger to research being able to provide municipal construction work for other Wyo. Co. municipalities</i></p>		<p>Motion: Ryan                      Ayes: 8                      Noes:                      Absent:</p>	<p>Carried: <b>XXX</b>                      Defeated:                      Referred to:   <b>APPROVED</b></p>
<b>1:30 PM Buildings &amp; Grounds w/K. Wiedemann</b>			
<p>1. <b>FYI ~ Contract (\$3,000 and under):</b>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Roto-Rooter Services Company</b>, 135 South Ave, West Seneca, NY 14224 for the provision of flow meter treatments at the animal shelter and jail in the amount not to exceed \$2,400.00; effective April 16, 2019 through April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020.</li> <li>• <b>Danforth Service Company</b>, 300 Colvin Woods Pkwy, Tonawanda, NY 14224 for the provision of preventative maintenance on county boilers in an amount not to exceed \$2,750.00; effective 03/01/2019 – 02/28/2020.</li> <li>• <b>WYCO Construction, Inc.</b>, 4608 Liberty Street Rd, Warsaw, NY 14569 for the provision of septic, sewer, maintenance and various repairs as needed in an amount not to exceed \$ 3,500.00; effective 2/1/2019 – 12/31/2019.</li> <li>• <b>M J Mechanical Services Inc.</b>, 95 Pirson Parkway, Tonawanda, NY 14150 for the provision of repairs to the radiant heater at the Highway Department in an amount not to exceed \$1,033.75; effective 12/17/2018 through completion. <i>This work was done in 2018.</i></li> <li>• <b>M J Mechanical Services Inc.</b>, 95 Pirson Parkway, Tonawanda, NY 14150 for the provision of repairs to county wide HVAC including towers in an amount not to exceed \$3,500.00; effective 03/01/19 through 02/28/2020.</li> </ul> </p>		<p>Motion:                      Ayes:                      Noes:                      Absent:</p>	<p>Carried:                      Defeated:                      Referred to:</p>

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2. <i>Permission to go out to bid for electrical preventive maintenance and infrared inspections; effective 08/01/2019 through 07/31/2022.</i>	<i>3 yr. contract Includes Jail transformers testing for all 3 yrs. \$14,000 previous Can we buy our own infrared camera?</i>	Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:  <b>Tabled one month</b>
3. <i>Permission to go out to bid for mat service in various county buildings; effective 04/01/2019 through 03/31/2022</i>	Will be adding service for DSS , courthouse, and Rotunda into this bid.	Motion: May Ayes: 8 Noes: Absent:	Carried: <b>XXX</b> Defeated: Referred to:  <b>APPROVED</b>
4. <i>Amend 01-31-19 Public Works Committee minutes for the following contract: “Professional Services Contract \$3,001-\$5,000: Authorize Chairman to sign a contract, pursuant to General Municipal Law §104(b), with <b>JC Ehrlich</b>, 2916 Walden Ave, Suite 300, Depew, NY 14043 for the provision of pest extermination at various county buildings in an amount not to exceed \$3,774.00; effective April 01, 2019 through December 31, 2019.”</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To reflect the cost of cluster fly and insect control at the Jail in the amount of \$268.00 not to exceed the total contract cost of \$4,042.00. All else remains the same.</li> </ul>	<b>Supporting Documentation outstanding.</b>	Motion: Leuer Ayes: 8 Noes: Absent:	Carried: <b>XXX</b> Defeated: Referred to:  <b>APPROVED</b>
5. <i>Grant <b>Application and Acceptance:</b> Authorize Chairman to sign a grant <b>application and acceptance</b> award with <b>New York State Unified Court System</b>, 25 Beaver Street, NY, NY 10004 for the provision of funding for interest aide reimbursement on the equipment and labor for work done in accordance with the Danforth Project at the Courthouse, Government Center and Records Retention in a minimum amount of \$19,622.61; effective February 1, 2019 through March 31, 2020.</i>	Will receive one payment of \$ 9,905.41 for the 2018 year Will receive four equal pays totaling \$9,717.20 for the fiscal year of 2019-2020. Working with state to get an estimated schedule and dollar amount for the term of funding  <b>\$86,585.36 over 15 yrs. total.</b>  <b>Per post committee discussion w/ K. Wiedemann, this is grant application and acceptance.</b>	Motion: May Ayes: 8 Noes: Absent:	Carried: <b>XXX</b> Defeated: Referred to:  <b>*RESOLUTION</b>

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<p><b>6. Bid Award:</b>                      Authorize Chairman to award bid and sign contract with <b>Herkimer County Humane Society</b>, 514 State Route 5S, Mohawk, NY 13407 for the purchase of disposed kennels from the Animal shelter project in an amount of \$200.00; effective 2/25/2019 through date of pick up.</p>	<p>Purchasing party will be responsible for removing kennels.</p>	<p>Motion: Leuer                      Ayes: 8                      Noes:                      Absent:</p>	<p>Carried: <b>XXX</b>                      Defeated:                      Referred to:   <b>*RESOLUTION</b></p>
<p><b>7. Project Closeout:</b>                      Resolution to closeout Project at the Highway Department as established by Resolution #_____.</p>	<p><i>What exactly does this project include??? There were renovations to several buildings (as established by Res. #11-233; close out Res. # unknown) and the Highway Office Bldg. Roof (as established by Res. #18-336 and closed by Res. #19-081)</i></p>	<p>Motion:                      Ayes:                      Noes:                      Absent:</p> <p style="font-size: 2em; text-align: center;"><i>Withdrawn</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>By K. Wiedemann</b></p>	<p>Carried:                      Defeated:                      Referred to:</p>
<p><b>8. Lactation Rooms Discussion:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identified area within County buildings</li> </ul>		<p>Motion:                      Ayes:                      Noes:                      Absent:</p>	<p>Carried:                      Defeated:                      Referred to:</p>
<p><b>9. FYI ~ Referred to 03-05-19 Finance Committee from 02-26-19 Human Resources</b>  <b>Position Fill: Buildings and Grounds</b>                      One (1) position of <b>Carpenter (Per Diem) (Temp)</b> (position code 042.037); <b>based on</b> CSEA Schedule B Grade 8 at \$17.88 - \$19.83/hr. Position available: March 6, 2019 <i>for 6 mos. from date of hire.</i></p>		<p>Motion:                      Ayes:                      Noes:                      Absent:</p>	<p>Carried:                      Defeated:                      Referred to:</p>
<p><b>10. FYI ~ Referred to 03-05-19 Finance Committee from 02-26-19 Human Resources</b>  <b>Amend Position: Buildings and Grounds</b>                      One (1) position of <b>Laborer (Per Diem) (Temp)</b> to a permanent <b>Laborer</b> (1.00 FTE) (position code: 041.144) CSEA Schedule B at Grade 8 \$17.88-\$19.83/hr.; effective March 13, 2019.</p>		<p>Motion:                      Ayes:                      Noes:                      Absent:</p>	<p>Carried:                      Defeated:                      Referred to:</p>
<p><i>At 2:51 PM there was a motion by Supervisor Ryan, T/Warsaw to enter an executive session to discuss the employment and performance history of a particular employee. This was seconded by Supervisor Leuer, T/Middlebury and all voted aye. Clerk Ketchum and HR Director Farberman remained.</i></p> <p><i>At 3:25 PM there was a motion by Supervisor Ryan, T/Warsaw to end the executive session and continue the regular meeting. This was seconded by Supervisor May, T/Orangeville and all voted aye.</i></p>			

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<b>Traffic Safety Board</b>			
1. <b>2019 Winter NYSAC Conf. Resolution:</b> • Resolution Urging Support for Increased Funding to Local Traffic Safety Boards in Order that Such Traffic Safety Boards Can Develop and Implement Programs and Activities that Will Make Our Local Roads Safer		Motion: May Ayes: 8 Noes: Absent:	Carried: <b>XXX</b> Defeated: Referred to:  * <b>RESOLUTION</b>
<b>Buildings &amp; Grounds</b>			
11. Amend Salary Schedule S to include a one-time stipend of <b>\$1,000.00</b> payable in one lump sum to the Secretary to the Supt. of Buildings & Grounds; effective 03/12/19 (or the first available Date of Pay).		Motion: Kehl Ayes: 8 Noes: Absent:	Carried: <b>XXX</b> Defeated: Referred to: <b>FINANCE</b>
<i>Chairman Berwanger talked about conversations with Lt. Gov. K. Hochul for replacement of certain sized culverts for NYS DOT... Shared services</i>			
<i>At 2:09 PM there was a motion by Supervisor Kehl, T/Attica to enter an executive session to discuss the employment and performance history of a particular employee. This was seconded by Supervisor May, T/Orangeville and all voted aye.</i>			
<i>D. Luckenbach, Clerk Ketchum and HR Dir. Farberman remained.</i>			
<i>At 2:26 PM there was a motion by Supervisor Brick, T/Perry to end the executive session and continue the regular meeting. This was seconded by Supervisor May, T/Orangeville and all voted aye.</i>			

Signature of Committee Chairman: p/J. Davis (minutes prepared by C. Ketchum).

Next Public Works Committee Meeting scheduled for **Thursday, March 28, 2019 @ 1:00 PM.**

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FEBRARY REPORT  
Public Works Committee Meeting  
February 28, 2019

TIP Program/UPWP/CIP:

- Preventative Maintenance (P/M) CR 2 (Broughton Rd) – Final claim submitted to DOT and we are waiting on final payment.
- Bennington #14 (Schad Rd) (BRIDGE NY 2016) – Final claim submitted to DOT and we are waiting on final payment.
- Preventative Maintenance (P/M) of 9 Bridges – Project was awarded. Tentative spring/early summer start.
- CR #13 Simmons Rd Bridge Replacement – Detailed design is on-going. Right-of-Way process is on-going as well.
- Bennington #6 (Schoellkopf Rd) Bridge Replacement – Preliminary design has begun.
- CR #37 Hillside Rd Bridge Replacement – Preliminary design has begun.
- CR#14 - Liberty St Road Reconstruction (Rt. 20A to Jefferson) - survey has been completed. Preliminary design is ongoing.

Local Road Projects:

(Road Maintenance)

- Continued boom mowing for the Towns & County.
- Completed ditching and installation of 2 driveway pipes Cascade Rd.
- Began ditching on Castile Center, Oatka and Merchant Rd.
- Continue sanding and plowing of County Facilities including removal.
- Continue winter dispatch.
- Continue cleaning inlets/outlets at various culvert locations.
- Snow blow county roads as needed.
- Haul stone to our stockpile.
- Completed minimal tree removal cleanup after wind storm.

Local Bridge Projects:

(Bridge Maintenance)

- Continue precasting 6'x10' 4-sided box culverts and W blocks.
- Began fabricating forms needed for 2019 bridge work.
- Began fabricating pump cages for dewatering.



**2019 NYSAC Legislative Conference  
Standing Committee on Transportation and Public Works  
Resolution #2**

**Resolution Urging the Enactment of an Increase in the Statutory CHIPS  
Bidding Threshold**

**WHEREAS**, under current law, the local assistance funds allocated for local street or highway projects under the Consolidated Local Street and Highway Improvement Program (CHIPS) are used to undertake work on projects either with the municipality's own resources and work forces or by competitively-bid contracts; and

**WHEREAS**, when the estimate for the contract work exceeds \$250,000, the work must be performed by contract let by competitive bid in accordance with the provisions for competitive bidding in the General Municipal Law; and

**WHEREAS**, regular incremental raises in the competitive bidding threshold for highway projects are necessary to compensate for increases in inflation impacting material, transportation, labor, equipment and other highway construction costs; and

**WHEREAS**, the last increase in the competitive bidding threshold was in 2011 to bring the threshold up from \$100,000 to the current \$250,000 level; and

**WHEREAS**, legislation has been proposed by both houses of the State Legislature to increase the amount of the current cost threshold from \$250,000 to \$500,000 over which local highway and bridge construction work under the CHIPS program must be contracted through a competitive bid; and

**WHEREAS**, under the proposed legislation, projects which have construction contract work in excess of \$500,000 would continue to be subject to the mandatory competitive bid process.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the New York State Association of Counties (NYSAC) supports the enactment of legislation or budget language that increases the CHIPS bidding threshold to give municipalities flexibility and the option to bid out or perform in-house projects that cost less than \$500,000. This will allow more opportunities for local governments to act to minimize the cost of its transportation projects on behalf of local taxpayers; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that copies of this resolution be sent to the counties of New York State encouraging member counties to enact similar resolutions; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the New York State Association of Counties shall forward copies of this resolution to Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, the New York State Legislature and all others deemed necessary.

**2019 NYSAC Legislative Conference  
Standing Committee on Transportation and Public Works  
Resolution #5**

**Resolution Urging the Governor and State Lawmakers to Grant Design-Build Construction Authority to Counties and New York City**

**WHEREAS**, current road, bridge, building, and infrastructure construction projects are cumbersome and expensive for local governments and taxpayers in New York State; and

**WHEREAS**, design-build contracting saves time and money by eliminating time in procuring design services separately from construction services, and by making a single entity responsible for a project, reducing the possibility of contract claims related to design errors or omissions; and

**WHEREAS**, design-build is a method of construction project delivery in which one entity works under a single contract to provide design and construction services; and

**WHEREAS**, design-build projects minimize project risk for the owner, increase the accountability of contractors and streamlines the delivery schedule by compressing two procurements into one, eliminating one full procurement cycle; and

**WHEREAS**, design-build further streamlines the delivery schedule by overlapping the design and construction phases of a project, and

**WHEREAS**, New York State already has granted itself the authority to use design-build on their construction projects with great success; and

**WHEREAS**, the State has proven this method saves both time and taxpayer spending all while minimizing project risk.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the New York State Association of Counties hereby calls on the Governor and State Lawmakers to grant New York City and county governments the authority to use design-build construction to achieve these needed construction project results; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that copies of this resolution be sent to the counties of New York State encouraging member counties to enact similar resolutions; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that NYSAC shall forward copies of this resolution to Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, the New York Legislature and all others deemed necessary and proper.

**2019 NYSAC Legislative Conference  
Standing Committee on Transportation and Public Works  
Resolution #4**

**Resolution Urging the Governor and State Lawmakers to Exclude Local Costs for Road, Bridge, and Infrastructure Capital Construction Projects from the Annual Property Tax Cap Calculation**

**WHEREAS**, State leaders have identified property taxes as the number one fiscal burden for homeowners and small businesses, as well as the largest impediment to economic growth and job creation in Upstate New York and Long Island; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2011 the State Legislature enacted a state-imposed local property tax cap, which requires local governments and schools to limit their property tax increases to two percent or the rate of inflation, whichever is less; and

**WHEREAS**, counties direct 90 percent of the property taxes collected statewide to fund state mandated programs and services, and they must pay for the mandates first before funding local quality of life programs; and

**WHEREAS**, at the time of passing the property tax cap, State Lawmakers pledged that they would provide extensive mandate relief to help counties and local governments meet the new property tax requirements; and

**WHEREAS**, State Leaders lowered the cost of future mandated costs by capping local Medicaid costs and enacting a new pension tier, but did not reduce the costs of state mandates on counties; and

**WHEREAS**, since the enactment of the property tax cap counties and local governments have delayed or avoided critical infrastructure capital projects because they did not want to exceed the state-imposed property tax cap; and

**WHEREAS**, the longer these capital projects are ignored and forestalled, the more likely they will turn into emergencies and result in even greater costs to local taxpayers; and

**WHEREAS**, the current property tax cap law allows an exclusion for the local funds used in school district capital obligations but does not include a comparable exclusion for counties and other local governments that use local funds for capital projects.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the New York State Association of Counties hereby calls on the Governor and State Legislature to amend the property tax cap to exclude local expenditures used for town and county highway, bridge, and other infrastructure capital projects with a design life of no less than 10 years, including but

not limited to water, sewer, and storm water from the state's property tax cap calculation; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that copies of this resolution be sent to the counties of New York State encouraging member counties to enact similar resolutions; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the New York State Association of Counties shall forward copies of this resolution to Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, the New York State Legislature and all others deemed necessary.

**2019 NYSAC Legislative Conference  
Standing Committee on Transportation and Public Works  
Resolution #3**

**Resolution Urging Support for Increased Funding to Local Traffic Safety Boards in Order that Such Traffic Safety Boards Can Develop and Implement Programs and Activities that Will Make Our Local Roads Safer**

**WHEREAS**, under the authority of Article 43, Section 1672 of the Vehicle and Traffic Law of the State of New York, a county not wholly included within the City of New York may establish a local traffic safety board for such respective county; and

**WHEREAS**, under Article 43, Section 1672 of the Vehicle and Traffic Law of the State of New York, a traffic safety board shall, among other things:

- Promote and encourage street and highway traffic safety,
- Formulate county-wide programs and coordinate efforts of interested parties and agencies engaged in traffic safety education,
- Corporate with local officials within the respective county in the formulation and execution of traffic safety programs and activities,
- Study traffic conditions on streets and highways within the respective counties, study and analyze reports of accidents and causes thereof, and recommend to the appropriate legislative bodies, departments or commissions, such changes in rules, orders, regulations, and existing laws as deemed advisable,
- Promote safety education for drivers and pedestrians,
- Obtain and assemble motor vehicle accident data and analyze, study and consolidate such data for educational and informational purposes; and

**WHEREAS**, many counties have established local traffic safety boards and parity between the use of funds programmed for traffic safety on state and local roadways is necessary; and

**WHEREAS**, in order for local traffic safety boards to fully carry out their duties, greater involvement in and coordination between the local traffic safety board and the transportation planning process is necessary for monitoring crash data on the local roadway; and

**WHEREAS**, increased funding is necessary for local traffic safety boards to continue the development and implementation of programs and activities as aforesaid and in accordance of the statutory mandate under state law.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the New York State Association of Counties hereby calls on the Governor and State Legislature to support funding to local traffic safety boards in order that such traffic safety boards can develop and implement programs and activities that will make our local roads safer; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that copies of this resolution be sent to the counties of New York State encouraging member counties to enact similar resolutions; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the New York State Association of Counties shall forward copies of this resolution to Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, the New York State Legislature and all others deemed necessary.