

May 16, 2002

ENERGY & ENVIRONMENT
COMMITTEE
REPORT NO. 7

ALL MEMBERS PRESENT. CHAIRMAN DeBENEDETTI AS EX-OFFICIO MEMBER.

1. RESOLVED, that the following items are hereby received and filed.

Item Page -2002 (Comm. 10D-5)
a. **DEP: SEQR** – Solicitation for Lead Agency Status – Union Road Pumping Station & Forcemain & Hyland Avenue Pump Station Elimination.
(6-0) Chairman DeBenedetti present as Ex-Officio Member.

Item Page -2002 (Comm. 10E-13)
b. **COUNTY EXECUTIVE:** EC Sport Fishery Promotion Program – 2001 Annual Report.
(6-0) Chairman DeBenedetti present as Ex-Officio Member.

2. Item Page -2001 (Comm. 2E-36)
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

WHEREAS, the Erie County Sewer District No. 2 Board of Managers desires to construct a new sewer line to eliminate two (2) existing sewage pumping stations in Erie County Sewer District No. 2; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that it may be necessary to commence Eminent Domain Proceedings to acquire the necessary easements to complete the project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the County Attorney be authorized and is hereby directed to commence Eminent Domain Proceedings pursuant to Chapter 839 of the Laws of 1977 to acquire easement interests for sewer purposes in connection with the lands listed below:

<u>ECSD NO.</u>	<u>PARCEL NO.</u>	<u>TOWNSHIP</u>
2	193.00-1-2.111	Evans
2	193.00-1-4	Evans
2	193.09-1-1.3	Evans
2	193.00-1-6	Evans

and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be sent to Charles J. Alessi, P.E., Deputy Commissioner of the Department of Environment and Planning, Nancy A. Naples, County Comptroller, and Gregory J. Dudek, Assistant County Attorney.
(5-1) Legislator Chase in the Negative. Chairman DeBenedetti Present as Ex-Officio Member.

3. Item Page -2002 (Comm. 10E-12)

COUNTY EXECUTIVE

WHEREAS, Erie County Environmental Education Institute Inc., (ECEEI) is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to the education of teachers, students, and the community on environmental issues; and

WHEREAS, a collaboration of over twenty not-for-profit organizations, agencies, and private entities was developed and organized by the ECEEI to provide equitable access to environmental programming to students and residents from urban-rural-suburban areas in public, private, and charter schools districts throughout Western New York; and

WHEREAS, supporting on-site and distance environmental programs at places like Tift Nature Preserve through programs such as WNY: Connecting To Learn, will benefit our local economy by promoting and expanding cultural tourism; and

WHEREAS, the collaborative environmental education effort will expand learning opportunities by assisting students to see the cultural, ecological and environmental value of watersheds, the Great Lakes, and associated habitats in Western New York; and

WHEREAS, the ECEEI has requested that the County provide \$100,000 to provide a framework for collaborative efforts and to increase the level of environmental education opportunities in this region.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is hereby authorized to enter into the necessary agreements to provide funds to this organization for purposes noted above, and be it further

RESOLVED, that funds in the amount of \$100,000 are hereby transferred from the Regionalism/Economic Development Fund (DAC 110 9043038301299) to the following subaccount under Public Benefit Agencies, as monitored by the Department of Environment and Planning:

1021	Erie County Environmental Education Institute	\$100,000
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and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be sent to the County Executive; the County Comptroller; the Director of Budget, Management and Finance; Laurence K. Rubin, Commissioner of Environment and Planning; Michael Raab, Deputy Commissioner of Environment and Planning; the County Attorney; and the Board of Directors of Erie County Environmental Education Institute, 7 Porter Avenue (P. O. Box 56), Buffalo, New York 14205. (6-0) Chairman DeBenedetti present as Ex-Officio Member.

JOHN W. GREENAN
CHAIRMAN