

ERIE COUNTY LEGISLATURE
MEETING NO. 11
JUNE 9, 2022

The Legislature was called to order by Chair Baskin.

All members present.

An Invocation was held, led by Ms. Chimera, who requested a moment of silence.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ms. Vinal.

Item 1 – No tabled items.

Item 2 – No items for reconsideration from previous meeting.

Item 3 – MR. MEYERS moved for the approval of the minutes for Meeting Number 10 from 2022. MR. JOHNSON seconded.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Item 4 – No Public Hearings.

MISCELLANEOUS RESOLUTIONS

Item 5 – MR. LORIGO presented a proclamation Recognizing Bread of Life Outreach Center for Its Contributions to the Community.

Item 6 – MR. LORIGO presented a proclamation Recognizing Pacific Underground Catering on Its First Anniversary.

Item 7 – MR. GREENE presented a proclamation Recognizing and Honoring School Resource Officer Andrew Edwards.

Item 8 – MR. GREENE presented a proclamation Recognizing and Honoring School Resource Officer Andrew Heim.

Item 9 – MR. GREENE presented a proclamation Recognizing and Honoring School Resource Officer Lawrence Wanat.

Item 10 – MR. GREENE presented a proclamation Recognizing and Honoring School Resource Officer Trey Johnson.

Item 11 – MR. GREENE presented a proclamation Recognizing and Honoring School Resource Officer David Awald.

Item 12 – MR. TODARO presented a proclamation Honoring Kaleigh Andrzejewski as Valedictorian for Alden Senior High School.

Item 13 – MR. TODARO presented a proclamation Honoring Emily Poplawski as a Top 10 Student at Lancaster High School.

Item 14 – MR. TODARO presented a proclamation Honoring Tom Sweeney for His Leadership in the Development of the Lancaster Village Center.

Item 15 – MR. TODARO presented a proclamation Recognizing and Honoring School Resource Officer Ashley Piel and Her Dog Kojak.

Item 16 – MR. MILLS presented a proclamation Honoring the 75th Anniversary of Morton's Corners Fire Department.

Item 17 – MR. MILLS presented a proclamation Honoring Dylan Patrick Dunham on Earning the Rank of Eagle Scout.

Item 18 – MR. MILLS presented a proclamation Honoring David Dain for 43 Years of Service.

Item 19 – MR. MILLS presented a proclamation Honoring Tom Salzler for 50 Years of Service with the Springville Volunteer Fire Company.

Item 20 – MS. CHIMERA presented a proclamation Congratulating and Recognizing Dr. Thomas Reigstad on a Phenomenal Career.

Item 21 – CHAIR BASKIN & MR. JOHNSON presented a proclamation Recognizing National Soul Food Month.

Item 22 – MS. JOHNSON presented a proclamation Recognizing June 2022 as Men's Health Month.

Item 23 – MS. CHIMERA presented a proclamation In Remembrance of Elizabeth Giles.

Item 24 – MS. CHIMERA presented a proclamation Honoring and Recognizing Emma Kresge.

Item 25 – MS. VINAL presented a proclamation Honoring and Recognizing Michelle Eastmer.

Item 26 – CHAIR BASKIN & MR. JOHNSON presented a proclamation Celebrating the African American Black Music Month.

Item 27 – MS. CHIMERA presented a proclamation Recognizing Kenneth Feltges for Being Inducted into the Kenmore West Corridor of Honor.

Item 28 – MS. VINAL presented a proclamation Congratulating and Honoring Comedian Joe Pera.

Item 29 – MR. JOHNSON presented a proclamation In Remembrance of Darnell "DeeMAC Dajoint" Maurice Henry.

Item 30 – CHAIR BASKIN presented a proclamation In Remembrance of Ramon Lewis Johnson.

Item 31 – CHAIR BASKIN, MR. MEYERS, MR. JOHNSON, MS. CHIMERA, MR. BARGNESI, MS. VINAL & MR. GILMOUR presented a proclamation Honoring Brendan Francis O'Connor for His Service at the Erie County Legislature.

Item 32 – MR. BARGNESI presented a proclamation Honoring the Memory of the Honorable Ronald J. Pilozzi, U.S. Army Veteran Who Served the City of Tonawanda as an Alderman and Mayor for 16 Years.

MR. MEYERS moved for consideration of the above twentieth-nine items. MR. JOHNSON seconded.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MR. MEYERS moved to amend the above twentieth-nine items by including Et Al Sponsorship. MR. LORIGO seconded.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MR. MEYERS moved for approval of the above twenty-nine items as amended. MR. LORIGO seconded.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

LOCAL LAWS

Item 33 – CHAIR BASKIN directed that Local Law No. 1 (Print #1) 2022 remain on the table and in the ENERGY & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE.

GRANTED.

Item 34 – CHAIR BASKIN directed that Local Law No. 2 (Print #1) 2022 remain on the table and in the GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE.

GRANTED.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Item 35 – MS. CHIMERA presented the following report and moved for immediate consideration and approval. MR. LORIGO seconded.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

RESOLUTION NO. 87

June 2, 2022	HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 8
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ALL MEMBERS PRESENT, EXCEPT LEGISLATOR VINAL.

1. RESOLVED, the following items are hereby received and filed:
 - a. COMM. 10D-2 (2022)
COMMISSIONER OF HEALTH: “Nursing Home Report, April 2022”
(Chair’s Ruling)
 - b. COMM. 10M-3 (2022)
TOWN OF BRANT: “Certified Copy of Resolution Concerning NYS DoH Emergency Regulations”
(Chair’s Ruling)
 - c. COMM. 10M-4 (2022)
TOWN OF MARILLA: “Certified Copy of Resolution Concerning NYS DoH Emergency Regulations”
(Chair’s Ruling)
2. COMM. 10E-14 (2022)
COUNTY EXECUTIVE
WHEREAS, funding exists in the Lab and Tech line of the 2022 Department of Social Services Adopted budget; and

WHEREAS, VenTek, Inc currently provides the Department of Social Services with Seismometer Configuration, Real-time Acquisition and Monitoring “SCREAMS” software in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP); and

WHEREAS, the Department of Social Services wishes to have VenTek, Inc. provide modifications to the SCREAMS software to assist with the Temporary Assistance (TA) and Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP) case reviews; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Social Services would like to contract with VenTek, Inc. in the amount of \$14,000 to provide these modifications.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Commissioner of Social Services and the County Executive are hereby authorized to enter into contract with VenTek, Inc. in the amount of \$14,000 for the modification of the SCREAMS software to assist Supervisors in case review; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Director of Budget and Management is hereby authorized to make any additional budget adjustment which may be required in order to match expense with Federal funding allocation adjustments; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Erie County Executive, the Commissioner of Social Services, the Erie County Comptroller, and the Director of the Division of Budget and Management.

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3. COMM. 10E-23 (2022)
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

WHEREAS, federal funds have become available through the Grants to Enhance Adult Protective Services to respond to a survey performed by the New York State Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS) of Local Districts as well as their staff's needs which are administered by the Administration for Community Living (ACL); and

WHEREAS, services are to be provided to Adult Protective Services (APS) Clients to enhance, improve, and expand the ability of APS to investigate allegations of abuse, neglect, and exploitation; and

WHEREAS, these funds may not be used to supplant any New York State APS funds they must be used to supplement existing state and local district APS resources; and

WHEREAS, the Adult Protective Services (APS) division would like to hire two temporary positions to fill voids in their succession plan; and

WHEREAS, B-100s have been issued for both positions as follows: B-100 #12994 Temporary Social Case Supervisor – Unit and B-100 #13001 Temporary Case Assistant -Social Services; and

WHEREAS, these temporary staff members will be trained to assume positions of staff that will be retiring in the future.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is hereby authorized to accept funding for the Administration for Community Living – Adult Protective Services Grant; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Commissioner of Social Services and the County Executive are hereby authorized to hire a Temporary Social Case Assistant – Unit and a Temporary Case Assistant – Social Services; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the following budget amendments are hereby authorized in the 2022 Adopted Budget in order to establish Federal funding for the Administration for Community Living – Adult Protective Services Grant program:

Department of Social Services – 2022 Budget	
Fund 110 Funds Center 120	
Revenue	Increase
414010 Federal Aid – Other	<u>\$231,050</u>
Total Revenue	<u>\$231,050</u>
Appropriations	
500000 Salaries	\$124,505
502000 Fringe Benefits	\$ 68,478
501000 Overtime	<u>\$ 38,067</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>\$231,050</u>
Net County Cost	\$0

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Director of Budget and Management is hereby authorized to make any additional budget adjustment which may be required in order to match expense with Federal funding allocation adjustments; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Erie County Executive, the Commissioner of Social Services, the Erie County Comptroller, and the Director of the Division of Budget and Management.

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4. COMM. 10E-24 (2022)
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

WHEREAS, the Department of Social Services is seeking approval to execute contracts with community providers for the 2022 summer Primetime program; and

WHEREAS, the availability of local share funding provided in the 2022 adopted budget enable this program implementation; and

WHEREAS, Operation Primetime provides for an adult-supervised environment for the ten-week school summer recess period, and program activities consist of structured recreation that prevents delinquency, increase socialization and foster respect for authority; and

WHEREAS, a Request for Proposal was distributed for this program and Youth Board panel recommendations were utilized to determine contract award amounts; and

WHEREAS, there is no additional local share necessary for these awards, and there is no fiscal impact based on this resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the County Executive and the Commissioner of Social Services are hereby authorized to execute contracts with the following providers for Operation Primetime from available 2022 funds in Fund Center 12530, Account 517749 (Operation Primetime) in the Youth Bureau; and be it further

RESOLVED, that after contracts are executed and filed, the Department of Social Services, Division of Budget and Management and Office of the Comptroller are authorized to effectuate future 2022 payments for these agencies for providing Operation Primetime services; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to the County Executive, the Division of Budget and Management, the Office of the Comptroller and the Department of Social Services.

Agency	Requested Funds	Recommended Award	Total Score	Ranking
ERIE REG. HOUSING DEV. CORP.	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 14,700.00	98.00	1
UNIVERSITY DISTRICT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 14,475.00	96.50	2
VALLEY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION INC.	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 14,425.00	96.17	3
BAKER HALL, INC.	\$ 13,640.00	\$ 12,867.00	94.33	4
TRU WAY COMMUNITY CENTER INC.	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 14,050.00	93.67	5
PEACE OF THE CITY	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 13,950.00	93.00	6
BUFFALO URBAN LEAGUE	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 9,250.00	92.50	7
BUFFALO CENTER FOR ARTS AND TECHNOLOGY	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 13,825.00	92.17	8
THE SALVATION ARMY	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 13,800.00	92.00	9
BUFFALO-AREA ENGINEERING AWARENESS FOR MINORITIES	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 9,183.00	91.83	10
YOUNG AUDIENCES OF WESTERN NEW YORK	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 9,183.00	91.83	11
SPRINGVILLE YOUTH INC.	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 13,625.00	90.83	12
BE-A-FRIEND PROGRAM, INC., BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS OF ERIE, NIAGARA AND THE	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 9,016.00	90.17	13

SOUTHERN TIER				
POLICE ATHLETIC LEAGUE OF BUFFALO, INC.	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 13,500.00	90.00	14
TRE & ASSOCIATES INC.	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 13,450.00	89.67	15
COMPEER OF GREATER BUFFALO	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 13,425.00	89.50	16
SOMALI BANTU COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION OF WNY	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 13,425.00	89.50	17
MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE PROJECT	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 8,917.00	89.17	18
WESTMINSTER ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE, INC.	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 8,867.00	88.67	19
METRO COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CO	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 13,250.00	88.33	20
KAREN SOCIETY OF BUFFALO	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 8,817.00	88.17	21
NORTHWEST BUFFALO COMMUNITY CENTER INC	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 13,175.00	87.83	22
NATIVE AMERICAN COMMUNITY SERVICES OF ERIE & NIAGARA COUNTIES, INC.	\$ 9,998.00	\$ 8,765.00	87.67	23
BUFFALO FEDERATION OF NEIGHBORHOOD CENTERS	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 8,750.00	87.50	24
WEST SIDE COMMUNITY SERVICES, INC.	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 8,717.00	87.17	25
BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF BUFFALO	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 8,667.00	86.67	26
RESEARCH FOUNDATION FOR SUNY / BUFFALO STATE	\$ 14,866.00	\$ 12,859.00	86.50	27
ENLIGHTENMENT BOOKSTORE & LITERARY ARTS CENTER, INC.	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 12,900.00	86.00	28
GAY & LESBIAN YOUTH SERVICES OF WESTERN NEW YORK	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 8,600.00	86.00	29
CRADLE BEACH, INC.	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 12,875.00	85.83	30
BUFFALO VINEYARD	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 7,710.00	85.67	31
F BITES	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 12,775.00	85.17	32
KING URBAN LIFE CENTER INC.	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 8,517.00	85.17	33
THE CITY SWIM PROJECT	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 12,775.00	85.17	34
BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF HOLLAND, INC.	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 6,500.00	84.83	35
BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF EDEN-LAKE SHORE	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 6,500.00	84.00	36
BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF EAST AURO	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 9,750.00	83.17	37

BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF ELMA, MARILLA AND WALES	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 6,500.00	83.00	38
EPIC - EVERY PERSON INFLUENCES CHILDREN, INC.	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 6,500.00	83.00	39
HEAL INTERNATIONAL	\$ 9,999.99	\$ 6,500.00	83.00	40
THE YWCA OF WESTERN NEW YORK, INC.	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 9,750.00	83.00	41
MT. OLIVE MBC, INC.	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 6,500.00	82.83	42
POLISH COMMUNITY CENTER OF BUFFALO	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 9,750.00	82.83	43
BEREA CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST DBA PARKER ACADEMY	\$ 12,030.00	\$ 7,820.00	82.50	44
WNY STEM HUB, INC.	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 6,500.00	82.17	45
TOTAL PACKAGE SPORTS	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 9,750.00	81.33	46
TOWN OF HAMBURG, NEW YORK	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 6,500.00	81.33	47
WAVE BUFFALO INC	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 6,500.00	81.00	48
AFRICAN AMERICAN CULTURAL CENTER OF BUFFALO	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 9,750.00	80.17	49
G.I.R.L.S. SPORTS FOUNDATION, INC.	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	79.67	50
JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER OF GREATER BUFFALO	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 4,500.00	79.67	51
UNITED CHURCH HOME, INC.	\$ 9,700.00	\$ 2,910.00	79.67	52
BESTSELF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 4,500.00	79.33	53
LACKAWANNA YOUTH EMPOWERMENT/GLOBAL CONCEPTS CHARTER SCHOOL	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 4,500.00	79.17	54
BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF THE NORTHTOWNS	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 4,500.00	78.67	55
VILLAGE OF HAMBURG RECREATION DEPARTMENT	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	78.67	56
GIRL SCOUTS OF WESTERN NEW YORK, INC.	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	78.50	57
YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION BUFFALO NIAGARA	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	78.00	58
CHILDCARE NETWORK OF THE NIAGARA FRONTIER, INC	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	77.50	59
PEOPLE UNITED FOR SUSTAINABLE HOUSING, INC.	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	77.33	60
OLD FIRST WARD COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 4,500.00	76.83	61
COMMUNITY ACTION ORGANIZATION OF WESTERN NEW YORK, INC. (CAOWNY)	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	76.33	62

LACKAWANNA SPORTS AND EDUCATION	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 4,500.00	76.33	63
SENECA-BABCOCK COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 4,500.00	76.33	64
GREATER NIAGARA FRONTIER COUNCIL, BSA	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 4,500.00	73.67	65
SENECA STREET COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 4,500.00	73.17	66
URBAN CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	73.17	67
FRIENDS INC.	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 4,500.00	73.00	68
SOLID FOUNDATION PREP, INC.	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	72.83	69
MOUNT MORIAH MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	70.83	70
BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF ORCHARD PARK	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 1,800.00	67.33	71
COMPUTERS FOR CHILDREN, INC.	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	64.50	72
SHIFTING GEARS UNLIMITED	\$ 9,500.00	\$ 2,850.00	60.50	73
RESOURCE COUNCIL OF WNY	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	56.83	74
		\$ 596,715		

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**LISA M. CHIMERA
CHAIR**

Item 36 – MR. MEYERS presented the following report and moved for immediate consideration and approval. MR. JOHNSON seconded.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

RESOLUTION NO. 88

June 2, 2022	ENERGY & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 8
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ALL MEMBERS PRESENT, EXCEPT LEGISLATOR VINAL.
CHAIR BASKIN PRESENT AS EX-OFFICIO MEMBER.

1. RESOLVED, the following item is hereby received and filed:
 - a. COMM. 10E-20 (2022)
COUNTY EXECUTIVE: “ECSD No. 6 - Engineering Term Contract Agreement”
(Chair’s Ruling)

2. COMM. 10E-16 (2022)
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

WHEREAS, the State of New York, through its Environmental Facilities Corporation (EFC) provides grant assistance for green infrastructure improvements; and

WHEREAS, New York State previously awarded Erie County \$27,000 for a Feasibility Study for Erie County Seneca Bluffs Natural Habitat Park Green Infrastructure Project completed by Barton and Loguidice in 2021; and

WHEREAS, Erie County applied for and was awarded \$1,305,000 in Green Innovation Grant Program (GIGP) funding through EFC for design and construction of the Erie County Seneca Bluffs Natural Habitat Green Infrastructure Project previously studied; and

WHEREAS, this project requires a 10% local match of the GIGP eligible project costs in the amount of \$145,000 which is available in pay-as-you-go capital funding provided to the Parks Department; and

WHEREAS, Erie County will be responsible for the 100% of the non-state share of approved project cost and 100% of any overruns; and

WHEREAS, Title 6 of the New York Code of Rules and Regulations (6 NYCRR) Section 617.5 under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQR) provides that certain actions identified in subdivision (c) of that section are not subject to environmental review under the Environmental Conservation Law; and

WHEREAS, Erie County acting through the Department of Environment and Planning has reviewed the action under the aforementioned SEQR regulations and has made the determination that the action is classified as a Type II action under 6 NYCRR Part 617.5 (c) 2, 3, & 9 and will have little to no impact on the environment and the action; and

WHEREAS, Erie County will solicit proposals from qualified firms for design and construction of the Green Infrastructure Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is hereby authorized to execute a Grant Agreement with New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation to accept \$1,305,000 in GIGP funding and all other contracts, documents and instruments necessary for the design and construction of the Seneca Bluffs Natural Habitat Green Infrastructure Project; and be it further

RESOLVED, that authorization is hereby given to the Division of Budget and Management to establish funding in the grant fund 281, business area 164 as follows:

Erie County Department of Parks, Recreation and Forestry
Seneca Bluffs Natural Habitat Park Green Infrastructure Grant Program
June 1, 2022 – December 1, 2023
164SBGIGP2223

REVENUES

409040 State Aid – Capital Grants	<u>\$(1,305,000.00)</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$(1,305,000.00)</u>

APPROPRIATIONS

575000 Interfund Exp Non-Subsidy	\$1,305,000.00
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and be it further

RESOLVED, that authorization is hereby provided for a \$1,305,000 inter-fund transfer from the new GIGP Grant to the Seneca Bluffs GIGP Project, A.220XX; and be it further

RESOLVED, that authorization is hereby provided for a \$145,000 inter-fund transfer from the 2021 Parks Expanded Capital Program A.21161.8 to the Seneca Bluffs GIGP Project, A.220XX to cover the required 10% local match for GIGP eligible project costs; and be it further

RESOLVED, that authorization is hereby provided to create a new capital project in Fund 410, Funds Center 164 for the Seneca Bluffs GIGP Project as follows:

Project A.220XX – Seneca Bluffs GIGP Project
Fund 410, Funds Center 164

REVENUES

450000 Interfund Rev Non-Subsidy	<u>\$(1,450,000.00)</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$(1,450,000.00)</u>

APPROPRIATIONS

Capital Project Expense	\$1,450,000.00
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and be it further

RESOLVED, that Erie County hereby determines that the proposed Seneca Bluffs GIGP Project is a Type II action in accordance with 6 NYCRR Section 617.5 (c) 2, 3 & 9 and therefore not subject to further review under 6 NYCRR Part 617; and be it further

RESOLVED, that all expenditures meet the requirements of the EFC grant guidelines and that the Director of the Division of Budget and Management is hereby authorized to implement any budget adjustments as required to comply with State and County funding requirements; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Department of Parks, Recreation & Forestry, the Department of Public Works' Division of Buildings & Grounds, the

Office of the County Executive, the Division of Budget and Management, the Office of the County Attorney, the Office of the Comptroller, and the Department of Environment and Planning.
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TIMOTHY J. MEYERS
CHAIR

Item 37 – MR. JOHNSON presented the following report and moved for immediate consideration and approval. MR. LORIGO seconded.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

RESOLUTION NO. 89

June 2, 2022	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 10
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ALL MEMBERS PRESENT.

CHAIR BASKIN PRESENT AS EX-OFFICIO MEMBER.

1. RESOLVED, the following items are hereby received and filed:
 - a. COMM. 7M-8 (2022)
BUSINESS MANAGER, INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF ELECTRICAL WORKERS: “Letter of Support for New Buffalo Bills Stadium”
(Chair’s Ruling)
 - b. COMM. 7M-9 (2022)
PRESIDENT, INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF ELECTRICAL WORKERS:
“Letter of Support for New Buffalo Bills Stadium”
(Chair’s Ruling)
 - c. COMM. 7M-10 (2022)
ASSISTANT BUSINESS MANAGER, INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF ELECTRICAL WORKERS: “Letter of Support for New Buffalo Bills Stadium”
(Chair’s Ruling)
 - d. COMM. 7M-11 (2022)
BUSINESS MANAGER, INTERNATIONAL UNION OF OPERATING ENGINEERS:
“Letter of Support for New Buffalo Bills Stadium”
(Chair’s Ruling)
 - e. COMM. 8M-1 (2022)
CARPENTERS' LOCAL 276: “Letter of Support for New Buffalo Bills Stadium”
(Chair’s Ruling)

- f. COMM. 8M-4 (2022)
INTL. UNION OF OPERATING ENGINEERS, LOCAL 17: “Letters of Support for New Buffalo Bills Stadium”
(Chair’s Ruling)
- g. COMM. 8M-5 (2022)
BUFFALO BUILDING TRADES UNION: “Letters of Support for New Buffalo Bills Stadium”
(Chair’s Ruling)
- h. COMM. 8M-6 (2022)
IBEW LOCAL 41: “Letters of Support for New Buffalo Bills Stadium”
(Chair’s Ruling)
- i. COMM. 9M-1 (2022)
JOMO AKONO: “Letter of Support for New Buffalo Bills Stadium”
(Chair’s Ruling)
- j. COMM. 9M-2 (2022)
IUPAT DISTRICT COUNCIL 4: “Letter of Support for New Buffalo Bills Stadium”
(Chair’s Ruling)
- k. COMM. 9M-3 (2022)
IBEW LOCAL 41: “Letters of Support for New Buffalo Bills Stadium”
(Chair’s Ruling)

2. COMM. 10E-17 (2022)
COUNTY EXECUTIVE
WHEREAS, Amherst Senior Housing Project consists of the rehab and renovation of an affordable housing property under US Department of Housing and Urban Development Section 8 contract into one hundred and fifty (150) affordable senior rental units located at 275 Essjay Road, Amherst, NY; and

WHEREAS, the Erie County Legislature adopted a policy on Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) on December 16, 1999, and the PILOT is consistent with said policy; and

WHEREAS, in order to make the Project economically feasible for Amherst Senior Housing LLC to operate the housing project it is necessary to extend tax relief from the County of Erie and the Town of Amherst.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is hereby authorized to execute a Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) Agreement with Amherst Senior Housing LLC, and the Town of Amherst, and any other organizations necessary to conclude this PILOT Agreement; and be it further

RESOLVED, that said Agreement shall include an annual PILOT in the amount of taxes due as set forth on Schedule A attached hereto; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the County Executive; the Director of the Division of Budget and Management; the Director of Real Property Tax Services; the Commissioner of the Department of Environment and Planning; the County Comptroller; and the County Attorney.

SCHEDULE A
PILOT Payments

Year	Total	Town	School	County
1	\$ 112,500	\$ 56,250	\$ 28,125	\$ 28,125
2	\$ 115,875	\$ 57,938	\$ 28,969	\$ 28,969
3	\$ 119,351	\$ 59,676	\$ 29,838	\$ 29,838
4	\$ 122,932	\$ 61,466	\$ 30,733	\$ 30,733
5	\$ 126,620	\$ 63,310	\$ 31,655	\$ 31,655
6	\$ 130,418	\$ 65,209	\$ 32,605	\$ 32,605
7	\$ 134,331	\$ 67,165	\$ 33,583	\$ 33,583
8	\$ 138,361	\$ 69,180	\$ 34,590	\$ 34,590
9	\$ 142,512	\$ 71,256	\$ 35,628	\$ 35,628
10	\$ 146,787	\$ 73,393	\$ 36,697	\$ 36,697
11	\$ 151,191	\$ 75,595	\$ 37,798	\$ 37,798
12	\$ 155,726	\$ 77,863	\$ 38,932	\$ 38,932
13	\$ 160,398	\$ 80,199	\$ 40,100	\$ 40,100
14	\$ 165,210	\$ 82,605	\$ 41,303	\$ 41,303
15	\$ 170,166	\$ 85,083	\$ 42,542	\$ 42,542
Total	\$ 2,092,378	\$ 1,046,189	\$ 523,094	\$ 523,094

(6-0)

3. COMM. 10E-18 (2022)
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

WHEREAS, consistent with Erie County’s Commitment to Paris goals, the County encourages the development of Solar Facilities which reduce dependence upon fossil fuels and further climate goals to mitigate global warming; and

WHEREAS, Project Owner, (Burns Road Solar LLC) has submitted a Notice of Intent to the Taxing Jurisdictions that it plans to build and operate a Solar Energy System as defined in New York Real Property Tax Law (“RPTL”) Section 487(1)(b) (the “Project”) with an expected nameplate capacity (“Capacity”) of approximately 3.25 Megawatts AC on a parcel of land located within the Town of Evans, identified as 1305 Burns Road, SBL No 221.00-4-1; and

WHEREAS, the Taxing Jurisdictions have not opted out of RPTL § 487; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to RPTL § 487(9)(a) the Taxing Jurisdictions have indicated their intent to require a Payment in Lieu of Taxes Agreement (“PILOT”) with the Project Owner, under which the Project Owner will be required to make annual payments to the Taxing Jurisdictions for each year during the term of this Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Project Owner has submitted or will submit to the Assessor of the Town an Application for Tax Exemption of Solar or Wind Energy Systems or Farm Waste Energy Systems (“Form RP-487”); and

WHEREAS, the Real Property not part of the Project will be assessed for any statutory real property taxes levied by the Taxing Jurisdictions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is hereby authorized to execute a Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) Agreement with Burns Road Solar LLC, and any other organizations necessary to complete this PILOT Agreement, pertaining to the Real Property located at 1305 Burns Road, Evans New York (SBL 221.00-4-1); and be it further

RESOLVED, that said Agreement shall include an annual PILOT payment in the amount \$1,657.50, subject to annual escalation of 2%; and be it further

RESOLVED, that said Agreement shall include an estimated annual PILOT based on the amount of taxes due as set forth on Schedule A attached hereto; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the County Executive; the Director of the Division of Budget and Management; the Director of Real Property Tax Services; the Commissioner of the Department of Environment and Planning; the County Comptroller; and the County Attorney.

Schedule A
PILOT Schedule*

Year	School PILOT (53%)	Town PILOT (30%)	County PILOT (17%)	Total PILOT
1	\$ 5,167.50	\$ 2,925.00	\$ 1,657.50	\$ 9,750.00
2	\$ 5,270.85	\$ 2,983.50	\$ 1,690.65	\$ 9,945.00
3	\$ 5,376.27	\$ 3,043.17	\$ 1,724.46	\$ 10,143.90
4	\$ 5,483.79	\$ 3,104.03	\$ 1,758.95	\$ 10,346.78
5	\$ 5,593.47	\$ 3,166.11	\$ 1,794.13	\$ 10,553.71
6	\$ 5,705.34	\$ 3,229.44	\$ 1,830.01	\$ 10,764.79
7	\$ 5,819.44	\$ 3,294.03	\$ 1,866.61	\$ 10,980.08
8	\$ 5,935.83	\$ 3,359.91	\$ 1,903.95	\$ 11,199.69
9	\$ 6,054.55	\$ 3,427.10	\$ 1,942.03	\$ 11,423.68
10	\$ 6,175.64	\$ 3,495.65	\$ 1,980.87	\$ 11,652.15
11	\$ 6,299.15	\$ 3,565.56	\$ 2,020.48	\$ 11,885.20
12	\$ 6,425.14	\$ 3,636.87	\$ 2,060.89	\$ 12,122.90
13	\$ 6,553.64	\$ 3,709.61	\$ 2,102.11	\$ 12,365.36
14	\$ 6,684.71	\$ 3,783.80	\$ 2,144.15	\$ 12,612.66
15	\$ 6,818.41	\$ 3,859.48	\$ 2,187.04	\$ 12,864.92

*Please note that, as per the PILOT Agreement, this payment schedule is subject to adjustment if the capacity of the Project changes.
(6-0)

4. COMM. 10E-25 (2022)
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works, Division of Highways previously contracted with Bergmann and Associates to develop a Geographic Information Solutions (“GIS”) database for all Erie County roads and now wishes to expand that inventory to include our vertical assets; and

WHEREAS, as a result of this software and services, Erie County DPW will be able to develop a new asset management system which will result in more efficiencies when responding to work orders, managing maintenance staff, and maintaining a centralized database of asset life cycles and supply usage; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works, Division of Buildings and Grounds, determined that Bergmann and Associates has the appropriate experience in design, construction management, technical services and implementation services utilizing the New York State Office of General Services professional service contract; and

WHEREAS, in order for the Department of Public Works, Division of Buildings and Grounds, to respond to these cited deficiencies with vertical asset inventory and management, Legislature approval is required to enter into a contract with Bergmann and Associates to perform this work.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the County Executive be authorized to execute a contract with Bergmann and Associates for providing consulting services to assist DPW with the implementation of GIS asset

inventory and work order system in the Buildings and Grounds Division for an amount not to exceed \$300,000; and be it further

RESOLVED, that purchasing authority for this contract is provided under the New York State Office of General Services; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Comptroller's Office be authorized to make payments to Bergmann and Associates for the GIS Implementation project and that funding is available in Fund Center 12210, Account 516020, Professional Services; and be it further

RESOLVED, that five (5) certified copies of this resolution be sent to the Department of Public Works, Office of the Commissioner, and one copy each to the Office of the County Executive, the Division of Budget and Management, the Office of the Comptroller and the Division of Purchase.
(6-0)

HOWARD J. JOHNSON, JR.
CHAIR

Item 38 – MR. JOHNSON presented the following report and moved for immediate consideration and approval. MR. GILMOUR seconded.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

RESOLUTION NO. 90

June 2, 2022	PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 7
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ALL MEMBERS PRESENT.

CHAIR BASKIN PRESENT AS EX-OFFICIO MEMBER.

1. RESOLVED, the following item is hereby received and filed:
 - a. COMM. 10E-27 (2022)
BASKIN & JOHNSON: "Letter to County Executive Regarding E-911 & MERS Operations"
(Chair's Ruling)
2. COMM. 10E-11 (2022)
SHERIFF
WHEREAS, the Erie County Sheriff's Office offers numerous educational and re-entry programs for incarcerated individuals; and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff's Office seeks to renew contracts with existing providers; and

WHEREAS, Literacy Buffalo Niagara will provide training to incarcerated individuals interested in acting as tutors to their peers; and

WHEREAS, the tutors will participate in training and share that knowledge to increase individuals' basic literacy skills. The group will instruct participants about adult literacy tutoring, how reading skills are developed, and strategies to teach various reading skills, lesson planning, and the materials and resources used for the program; and

WHEREAS, the contract will not exceed \$4,500.00, and the term will be one (1) year; and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff's Office and the Buffalo Fatherhood Initiative of Buffalo Prenatal will partner to offer virtual, group-based fatherhood workshops to incarcerated individuals; and

WHEREAS, the 6-week program offers twelve fatherhood workshops for up to fifteen participants and will provide evidence-based parenting education using the "Nurturing Fathers Program" (NFP).

NFP provides 32.5-hours of curriculum that addresses:

- Fathering
- Self-nurturing
- Overcoming barriers to fathering
- Discipline
- Fathering sons/daughters
- Co-parenting

and

WHEREAS, the term of the agreement is one (1) year and will not exceed \$4,995 0.00; and

WHEREAS, these professional agreements will not have any fiscal impact on the 2022 County Budget because commissary funds will be utilized.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, the Erie County Legislature authorizes the County Executive and the Erie County Sheriff's Office to enter into an agreement with Literacy Buffalo Niagara, 1 Lafayette Square, Buffalo, New York 14203, for one (1) year will not exceed \$4,500.00; and be it further

RESOLVED, the Erie County Legislature authorizes the County Executive and the Erie County Sheriff's Office to enter into an agreement with Buffalo Pre-Natal-Perinatal Network, Inc., 625 Delaware Avenue, Suite 410, Buffalo, New York 14202, and the contract will not exceed \$4,995.00 and the term is one (1) year; and be it further

RESOLVED, the Erie County Comptroller's Office is hereby authorized to release the designated funds and make any payments for the approved agreements; and be it further

RESOLVED, certified copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the County Executive, the County Attorney, County Comptroller, Division of Budget and Finance, Division of Purchasing, and the Sheriff's Office for implementation.

(6-0)

3. COMM. 10E-12 (2022)
SHERIFF

WHEREAS, because of challenges in recruiting a qualified candidate for the Medical Record Administrator, the Erie County Sheriff's Office requests a variable minimum adjustment to a step 5; and

WHEREAS, Section 2507b of the Erie County Charter states that independently elected officials have the power to manage their departments within the parameters of their adopted budget; and

WHEREAS, the funds needed to effectuate this change are available within the Erie County Sheriff's Office adopted 2022 budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the position of Medical Record Administrator CF is authorized to be filled at a variable minimum step 5 (annual salary \$56,500.00); and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Division of Budget and Management and the Commissioner of Personnel are authorized to make any changes necessary to effectuate the change; and be it further

RESOLVED, certified copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the County Executive's Office, the Department of Personnel, the Division of Budget and Management, and the Erie County Sheriff's Office.

(6-0)

4. COMM. 10E-26 (2022)
COUNTY EXECUTIVE & SHERIFF

WHEREAS, the Erie County Sheriff's Office is implementing a Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) program for incarcerated individuals; and

WHEREAS, an element of the MAT program is counseling services for individuals participating in the treatment program; and

WHEREAS, the Erie County Executive and the Erie County Sheriff's Office will retain Best Self for counseling services; and

WHEREAS, the parties agree to transfer \$245,976.59 from the Department of Mental Health to the Sheriff's Office for the Best Self Contract and MAT services; and

WHEREAS, this transfer will not have a fiscal impact on the 2022 County Budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, the Erie County Legislature authorizes the Division of Budget and Finance to transfer \$245,976.59 from the Department of Mental Health's Fund Center 12420, Account 505800 to the Erie County Sheriff's Fund Center 11610, Account 516010; and be it further

RESOLVED, certified copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the County Executive, the County Attorney, County Comptroller, Division of Budget and Finance, Division of Purchasing, and the Sheriff's Office for implementation.

(6-0)

5. COMM. 10E-28 (2022)

SHERIFF

WHEREAS, the Erie County Sheriff's Office is implementing a Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) program for incarcerated individuals; and

WHEREAS, an element of the MAT program is counseling services for individuals participating in the treatment program; and

WHEREAS, the Erie County Executive and the Erie County Sheriff's Office will retain Best Self for counseling services for the term of one (1) year; and

WHEREAS, the agreement will renew automatically for an additional year unless either party provides a 60-day notice not to renew; and

WHEREAS, the County agrees to pay Best Self in equal quarterly installments, and payment for methadone will be invoiced separately; and

WHEREAS, the agreement will not exceed \$245,976.59; and

WHEREAS, this resolution will not have a fiscal impact on the 2022 County Budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, the Erie County Legislature authorizes the County Executive and the Erie County Sheriff's Office to enter into an agreement with Best Self Behavioral Health, Inc., 255 Delaware Ave, Buffalo, New York, 14202, for Medication Assisted Treatment program counseling services for individuals participating in the treatment program; and be it further

RESOLVED, the term of the contract is one (1) year, and it will renew automatically for an additional year unless either party provides a 60-day notice not to renew; and be it further

RESOLVED, the agreement will not exceed \$245,976.59; and be it further

RESOLVED, the Erie County Comptroller's Office is hereby authorized to release the designated funds and make any payments for the approved agreements; and be it further

RESOLVED, certified copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the County Executive, the County Attorney, County Comptroller, Division of Budget and Finance, Division of Purchasing, and the Sheriff's Office for implementation.

(6-0)

**HOWARD J. JOHNSON, JR.
CHAIR**

LEGISLATOR RESOLUTIONS

None.

COMMUNICATIONS DISCHARGED FROM COMMITTEE

Item 39 – MR. MEYERS moved to discharge the ENERGY & ENVIRNOMENT COMMITTEE of further consideration of COMM. 10E-15 (2022). MR. CHIMERA seconded.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

RESOLUTION NO. 91

RE: Implementing a Parks Donation Policy
with Creation of Parks Donation
Trust Fund
(COMM. 10E-15, 2022)

WHEREAS, the Department of Parks, Recreation & Forestry is very fortunate to receive support from community members who regularly provide time, property, and individual expertise to help ensure the parks system continues to thrive; and

WHEREAS, as part of the adoption of the 2019 Parks Master Plan, a Parks Donation Policy was created with the intent of ensuring that philanthropic traditions are fostered, that donors are treated with consistency and fairness, and that contributions are recognized in ways that support park resources and values; and

WHEREAS, although Parks has been able to make use of donations by members of the public on a case-by-case basis with Legislative approval, the Department has had neither a formalized donation policy, nor a dedicated account to accept and utilize monetary donations; and

WHEREAS, this lack of a formal process has precluded Parks from actively soliciting donations and sponsorships, which is called for in the Parks Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, Parks would like to encourage community members to assist Parks via monetary donations; and

WHEREAS, the creation of a Donation Trust Fund will allow Parks to accept and utilize monetary donations from members of the public for various Parks usages as established through the Erie County Parks and Recreation Donation Policy; and

WHEREAS, funds may be reserved for a specific use based on the stipulations of the donor, otherwise, they will be unreserved and available for Parks to appropriate at the Commissioner's discretion for costs associated with regularly-scheduled Parks-run seasonal events, volunteer or recreational activities, or park betterments; and

WHEREAS, COMM. 6E-24 (2011) previously authorized the acceptance of sponsorships and creation of certain vendor fees associated Parks-run seasonal events and be recorded in the Department of Parks, Recreation & Forestry's Fund 110, Funds Center 164, Account #418610; and

WHEREAS, as part of discussions with the Division of Budget and Management and the Office of Comptroller, it was determined that the previously established Parks Special Events Trust Fund and Sports and Recreation Trust Fund were no longer necessary and should be closed with the remaining balances transferred into the newly created Donation Trust Fund; and

WHEREAS, Parks presently has two dormant accounts in the Trust Fund, with balances totaling \$9,529.13 that would be better utilized for Parks purposes upon transfer into the new Parks Donation Fund.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature hereby authorizes the Department of Parks Recreation and Forestry to accept service, material & item, and monetary donations and sponsorships with a value less than \$10,000 on behalf of the County as outlined in the Erie County Department of Parks and Recreation Donation Policy; and be it further

RESOLVED, that acceptance of donations valued at more than \$10,000 and all donations of real property, shall continue to require prior Legislative approval as outlined in the Erie County Department of Parks and Recreation Donation Policy; and be it further

RESOLVED, that authorization is hereby given to create a Parks Donation Fund, Fund 610, Business Area 164, Account # 227100; and be it further

RESOLVED, that authorization is hereby given to transfer the remaining balance of \$3,838.74 in the Parks Special Events Fund, Fund 610, Business Area 164, Account # 227030 into the Parks Donation Fund, Fund 610, Business Area 164, Account #227100 as unreserved funds; and be it further

RESOLVED, that authorization is hereby given to transfer the remaining balance of \$5,690.39 in the Sports and Recreation Fund, Fund 610, Business Area 164, Account #223190 into Parks Donation Fund, Fund 610, Business Area 164, Account #227100 as unreserved funds; and be it further

RESOLVED, that authorization is hereby given for all funds under \$10,000 accepted or solicited for a specific use designated by the donor be recorded in the Parks Donation Fund, Fund 610, Business Area 164, Account #227100 as reserved funds for that purpose; and be it further

RESOLVED, that authorization is hereby given for all funds under \$10,000 accepted or solicited as general donations be recorded in the Parks Donation Fund, Fund 610, Business Area 164, Account #227100 as unreserved funds to be appropriated at the discretion of the Commissioner of Parks, Recreation & Forestry; and be it further

RESOLVED, that authorization is hereby given for all funds under \$10,000 accepted or solicited as sponsorships, previously authorized in COMM. 6E-24 (2011), be recorded in the Parks Donation Fund, Fund 610, Business Area 164, Account #227100 as unreserved funds to be appropriated at the discretion of the Commissioner of Parks, Recreation & Forestry; and be it further

RESOLVED, the Department of Parks, Recreation & Forestry will voluntarily adhere to all County procurement rules and guidelines in relation to any and all purchases from the Parks Donation Trust Fund in excess of \$1,000; and be it further

RESOLVED, that authorization is hereby given to reduce the fee previously authorized in COMM. 6E-24 (2011) for a craft/organization be reduced from \$100 to \$50 and food or product vendor be reduced from \$250 to \$100; and be it further

RESOLVED, that funds from special event fees, previously authorized in COMM. 6E-24 (2011), be recorded in the Department of Parks, Recreation & Forestry's Fund 110, Funds Center 16410, Account #418590 Special Events Receipts; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Department of Parks, Recreation & Forestry, the Office of the County Executive, the Division of Budget and Management, and the Office of the Comptroller.

MR. MEYERS moved the amend the item. MS. CHIMERA seconded.

CHAIR BASKIN directed that a roll-call vote be taken.

AYES: MR. GREENE, MR. LORIGO, MR. MILLS and MR. TODARO. NOES: MR. BARGNESI, CHAIR BASKIN, MS. CHIMERA, MR. GILMOUR, MR. JOHNSON, MR. MEYERS and MS. VINAL. (AYES: 4; NOES: 7)

FAILED.

MS. MEYERS moved to approve the item. MS. CHIMERA seconded.

CHAIR BASKIN directed that a roll-call vote be taken.

AYES: MR. BARGNESI, CHAIR BASKIN, MS. CHIMERA, MR. GILMOUR, MR. JOHNSON, MR. MEYERS and MS. VINAL. NOES: MR. GREENE, MR. LORIGO, MR. MILLS and MR. TODARO. (AYES: 7; NOES: 4)

CARRIED.

SUSPENSION OF THE RULES

Item 40 - MR. MEYERS moved for a Suspension of the Rules to include an item not on the agenda.

GRANTED.

COMM. 11E-21 from COMPTROLLER Re: Letter to County Executive and Legislature Chair Concerning Amending the Erie County Tax Act

Received and referred to the FINANCE & MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE.

Item 41 - MR. MEYERS moved for a Suspension of the Rules to include an item not on the agenda.

GRANTED.

INTRO. 11-1 from BASKIN Re: Calling for Federal Action on Gun Control

RESOLUTION NO. 92

A RESOLUTION SUBMITTED BY
CHAIR BASKIN

WHEREAS, on May 14, 2022 an eighteen-year-old male slaughtered ten people in cold blood at a Tops grocery store on Jefferson Avenue in Buffalo; and

WHEREAS, this individual used an AR-15 style weapon; and

WHEREAS, assault rifles were initially designed for military use because they enable quick, efficient killing; and

WHEREAS, the federal government instituted a ban on assault weapons in 1994, which expired in 2004; and

WHEREAS, a study by the New York University School of medicine found that deaths from mass shootings declined during the decade that the federal assault weapons ban was instituted and increased almost four hundred percent in the decade after the ban expired; and

WHEREAS, since 2009, there have been 277 mass shootings in the United States, resulting in 1565 people shot and killed and 1000 people shot and wounded.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature calls upon our federal representatives to take action and vote for commonsense gun control measures; and be it further

RESOLVED, that these measures include a universal background checks, a ban on assault weapons and red flag laws to keep guns out of the hands of those who have been deemed a threat; and be it further

RESOLVED, copies of this resolution will be given to Representative Brian Higgins, Representative Christopher Jacobs, Senator Kirsten Gillibrand and Senator Charles Schumer.

MR. MEYERS moved to approve the resolution. MR. JOHNSON seconded. MR. GREENE, MR. LORIGO, MR. MILLS and MR. TODARO voted in the negative.

CARRIED. (7-4)

COMMUNICATIONS FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS

FROM THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Item 42 – (COMM. 11E-1) Letter to County Clerk Regarding CSEA Contract Requirements

Received and referred to the GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE.

Item 43 – (COMM. 11E-2) Letter to County Clerk Regarding the ZOMBIE Initiative Tax Delinquency Report

Received and referred to the ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE.

Item 44 – (COMM. 11E-3) SUNY Erie Community College 2022-2023 Budget

Received and referred to the COMMUNITY ENRICHMENT COMMITTEE.

Item 45 – (COMM. 11E-4) Letter Designating Acting County Attorney

Received and referred to the GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE.

Item 46 – (COMM. 11E-5) ECSD No. 3 Engineer Term Contract Agreement

Item 47 – (COMM. 11E-6) ECSD No. 3 Engineer Term Contract Agreement

The above two items were received and referred to the ENERGY & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE.

Item 48 – (COMM. 11E-7) Alzheimer's Disease Caregiver Support Initiative 2022-2023 Grant Funding

Item 49 – (COMM. 11E-8) Authorization to Increase Funds for Forensic Mental Health IT Purchases

The above two items were received and referred to the HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE.

Item 50 – (COMM. 11E-9) ECDPW Project - Rehabilitation of Borden Road

Item 51 – (COMM. 11E-10) SUNY Erie Campus-wide Sidewalk & Concrete Curb Replacement

Item 52 – (COMM. 11E-11) PILOT Agreement - Sutton Place Project

The above three items were received and referred to the ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE.

Item 53 – (COMM. 11E-12) Municipal Waste Reduction Recycling Grant

Received and referred to the ENERGY & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE.

Item 54 – (COMM. 11E-13) Renaissance Commerce Park - Signage & Wayfinding Implementation

Received and referred to the ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE.

Item 55 – (COMM. 11E-14) Department of Health Transfer of Funds

Received and referred to the HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE.

FROM THE SHERIFF

Item 56 – (COMM. 11E-15) Renewing Re-Entry Programming Contracts

Item 57 – (COMM. 11E-16) NY CARES UP Grant

Item 58 – (COMM. 11E-17) Additional Deputy Sheriff Seasonal Positions

Item 59 – (COMM. 11E-18) Sheriff's Office Personnel Adjustment

The above four items were received and referred to the PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE.

FROM THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Item 60 – (COMM. 11E-19) 2022 Capital Project Funding Conversion to Pay as You Go - Stadium

Received and referred to the ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE.

Item 61 – (COMM. 11E-20) Department of Health – Personnel Adjustment – Surveillance & Epidemiology

Received and referred to the HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE DEPARTMENTS

FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF CENTRAL POLICE SERVICES

Item 62– (COMM. 11D-1) Letter Regarding E-911 and MERS Operations

Received and referred to the PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE.

FROM THE DIRECTOR OF BUDGET & MANAGEMENT

Item 63 – (COMM. 11D-2) Budget Monitoring Report for Period Ending April 2022

Received and referred to the FINANCE & MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE.

FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF LAW

Item 64 – (COMM. 11D-3) Transmittal of New Claims Against Erie County

Received and referred to the GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PEOPLE AND OTHER AGENCIES

FROM THE TOWN OF MARILLA

Item 65 – (COMM. 11M-1) Letter Regarding the Status and Condition of County Roads in Marilla

Received and referred to the ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE.

FROM VISIT BUFFALO NIAGARA

Item 66 – (COMM. 11M-2) 2022 First Quarter Report & Financial Statements

Received and referred to the FINANCE & MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE.

FROM SUNY ERIE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Item 67 – (COMM. 11M-3) 2022-2023 SUNY Erie Operating Budget

Received and referred to the COMMUNITY ENRICHMENT COMMITTEE.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Item 68 – Chair Baskin announced that the Legislature will conduct committee meetings on Thursday, June 16, 2022, and the schedule will be distributed. Chair Baskin also announced that a public hearing concerning the SUNY ECC 2022-23 budget will be held on Thursday, June 16, 2022 at 6 p.m. in the Chambers of the Legislature. Chair Baskin further announced that the next session of the Legislature will be held on Thursday, June 23, 2022.

MEMORIAL RESOLUTIONS

Item 69 – Legislator Chimera requested that when the Legislature adjourns, it do so in memory of Clayton L. Adams.

Item 70 – Legislator Bargnesi requested that when the Legislature adjourns, it do so in memory of Honorable Ronald J. Pillozzi.

Item 71 – Legislator Mills requested that when the Legislature adjourns, it do so in memory of Honorable Ronald J. Pillozzi.

Item 72 – Legislator Greene requested that when the Legislature adjourns, it do so in memory of Richard F. Wiley.

Item 73 – Legislator Todaro requested that when the Legislature adjourns, it do so in memory of Norbert J. Liss.

ADJOURNMENT

Item 74 - At this time, there being no further business to transact, CHAIR BASKIN announced that the Chair would entertain a Motion to Adjourn.

MS. CHIMERA moved that the Legislature adjourn until Thursday, June 23, 2022 at 12:00 Noon Eastern Standard Time. MR. JOHNSON seconded.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

CHAIR BASKIN declared the Legislature adjourned until Thursday, June 23, 2022 at 12:00 Noon Eastern Standard Time.

ROBERT M. GRABER
CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE