

Inter County Association of Western New York

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ONTARIO COUNTY HOST

DATE:	FRIDAY, February 19, 2016
TIME:	9:30 A.M. - Registration/Continental Breakfast
LOCATION:	Ontario County Safety Training Facility 2914 County Road 48 Canandaigua, NY 14424
RESERVATIONS:	NO LATER THAN Friday, February 12, 2016 (\$20.00 covers registration, etc.) Karen DeMay, Clerk of the Board Phone: 585-396-4447 Email: karen.demay@co.ontario.ny.us

AGENDA

9:30 AM Arrival and Registration with Continental Breakfast
10:00 AM Call to Order – Association President Robert Green
Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
Invocation
Roll Call of Counties
Welcome from Host County – Board Chairman Jack Marren

- Approval of Minutes dated November 20, 2015
- Approval of Minutes (Joint Meeting) dated February 3, 2016
- Approval of Treasurer's Report dated December 31, 2015
- Correspondence
- Comments by members and guests

NYSAC ~ Mark LaVigne

- Old Business
- New Business
- Resolutions

11:00 AM Presentation: "**The Heroin Epidemic - A Crisis For All Communities.**"
Sheriff Philip Povero
Public Health Director Mary Beer
Alice Haskins, Chief Correction Officer
Mr. Tim Goodmann

12:00 PM Adjournment and Lunch

Directions to Ontario County Safety Training Facility
(585) 396-4310

From Thruway Exit 44 (Canandaigua/Farmington)

- Take Rt. 332 into the City of Canandaigua
- Once entering the city, travel past the Courthouse, through the main part of town until you reach a flashing yellow light with the Canandaigua Fire Station on the left. Turn left here (this is Phelps Street). This is approximately 8 miles from the exit to this turn.
- Follow Phelps Street (the street will become Saltonstall Street and when out of the City Limits will become County Rd. 46) until you come to a 4-way roundabout.
- Continue around and straight across to CR 46. The next road you pass will be Smith Road.
- About ½ mile further on the left will be County Rd. 48. Animal shelter is at the turn on the left side. Turn left.
- Follow County Road 48 to the end and the Safety Training Facility is the last building on your left side at the treeline.

From Thruway Exit 43 (Manchester)

- Take a right on Route 21. Follow Rt. 21 through the villages of Manchester and Shortsville. Rt. 21 continues through the hamlet of Chapin. You will come upon a road called County Rd. 22. Take a left (approximately 7 miles from exit to this turn).
- Follow County Rd. 22 to the end. Take a left on County Rd. 4
- Follow County Road 4 across the bridge, take the roundabout to the exit for County Rd. 10 (this is only a few hundred yards, so watch this carefully).
- Follow County Rd. 10 until you get to another 4-way roundabout. Continue around it to CR 46 which is the second exit to your right.
- On County Road 46, the next road you pass will be Smith Road. About ½ mile further on the left will be County Rd. 48. Turn left.
- Follow County Rd. 48 to the end. Last building on the left is the Safety Training Facility at the tree line..

From 5 & 20 Geneva

- Follow 5 & 20 heading to Canandaigua.
- At County Rd. 47, take a right. There is a sign.
- At County Rd. 46, take a left.
- You will then pass the County Complex on the left. Continue over the knoll until you get to County Rd. 48 on the right. Turn right.
- Follow County Rd. 48 to the end. Last building on the left is the Safety Training Facility.

From 5 & 20 West

- Follow 5 & 20 through the outskirts of Canandaigua heading to Geneva
- As you head up the hill out of Canandaigua (past WalMart), Smith Road is a left turn at the top of the hill. Take a left on Smith Rd.
- Follow Smith Road until the stop sign.
- Take a right onto County Rd. 46. About ½ mile on the left will be County Rd. 48. Turn left.
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2016 Meeting Schedule

Meeting Date	Host County	Location
February 3, 2016	NYSAC	ALBANY
February 19, 2016	ONTARIO	Ontario County Safety Training Facility 2914 County Road 48 Canandaigua, NY
March 18, 2016	STEUBEN	Snug Harbor Restaurant 9068A Snug Harbor Drive Hammondsport, NY 14840
April 15, 2016	WYOMING	
May 13, 2016	ONTARIO	Yacht Club West Lake Road Canandaigua, NY 14424
June 17, 2016	CHEMUNG	Elmira College
August 19, 2016	LIVINGSTON	Double M. Farm 6464 Liberty Pole Road Dansville, NY
September 2016	NYSAC	
October 21, 2016	GENESEE	
November 18, 2016		

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2016 Delegates

as of 2-5-16

<i>Counties</i>	<i>Contact</i>	<i>Delegates</i>
Allegany	Brenda Rigby Riehle rigbyba@alleganyco.com	Charles O. Jessup Kevin S. LaForge Brenda Rigby Riehle Alternates: Philip B. Curran Debra A. Root
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MINUTES – November 20, 2015

The meeting was called to order by Association President James Hoffman (*Wayne*) at 10:00 a.m. J. Hoffman (*Wayne*) led the Association in the Pledge of Allegiance, and Shelley Stein (*Genesee*) provided the invocation.

Roll call of counties

- The following **10** counties answered roll call:
Allegany (3/2), Cattaraugus (2/0), Chautauqua (3/8), Chemung (3/1), Genesee (2/0), Livingston (3/1), Ontario (3/0), Steuben (3/0), Wayne (3/1) and Wyoming (1/1). **26/14 attending**

Welcome from Host County

- Chautauqua County Executive Vince Horrigan thanked all for coming to today's event. He noted the many challenges both socially and in government and the need to encourage additional participation, especially by younger people, into public service. He thanked all legislators present for their leadership rolls. David Himelein, Majority Leader of the Chautauqua County Legislature, thanked InterCounty members for coming to today's meeting and wished them all a safe trip home. Stephen Keefe, Mayor of the Village of Fredonia, noted what a beautiful county Chautauqua County is. He commented on the artistic community of Fredonia, recommending all present consider coming back to the area to spend some additional time enjoying the many sites and activities.

Approval of Minutes

- On a motion by J. Pastrick (*Chemung*), second by R. Lemon (*Chautauqua*) minutes from the October 16th InterCounty Meeting were approved as written. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

Approval of Treasurer's Report

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**TREASURER'S REPORT
AS OF October 31, 2015**

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Treasury Balance ending September 30, 2015			\$7,539.21
"Cash Box" as of October 31, 2015		\$30.00	
Check Book Balance as of October 31, 2015		\$7,634.71	
Receipts:			
October Meeting Registrations – Wayne County		\$760.00	
Monroe August Meeting Registrations (4)		\$ 80.00	
Monroe October Meeting Registrations (1) lacking 2 paid registrations			
Disbursements:			
Ck#1150 – Young Sommer Winery - October Meeting	\$100.00		
Ck#1148 – Bad to the Bond Catering – October Meeting	\$634.50		
Treasury Balance ending October 31, 2015			\$7,664.71

On a motion by J. Knab (*Wyoming*), second by D. Draxler (*Chemung*), the Treasurer's report dated October 31, 2015, was approved as presented. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

Correspondence

None

NYSAC Update

Patrick Cummings, Legal Counsel for NYSAC, update members on NYSAC activities and issues:

- The 2016 Legislative Conference is scheduled for February 1st-3rd in Albany. NYSAC is working through a list of 30 workshops for the event. Topics will include micro beads, body cameras, drones, social media, UBER and Air BnB, food recycling and electronic waste.
- Part of the \$5.4 billion in bank settlement funds appropriated in last year's budget included \$150 million in grants for local governments to facilitate more shared services and government efficiency. Grants will be awarded three times a year; and there will be two types of projects. Ones from scratch need to have a project charter, a project plan, an estimate for property tax savings, a pilot stage, and a full implementation stage. These projects will have to achieve milestones in order to qualify for additional funding. Those projects that are ready to implement will get funding that will enable them to get over the goal line, if they have completed the up-front work and are ready for implementation.
- Property Tax Reform: The State will be implementing the next phase of property tax reform. Counties want to build upon the Governor's focus on property taxes in New York compared to the rest of the nation. Counties concur that property taxes remain too high in New York and it places us at a competitive disadvantage and reduces economic opportunities for residents. The

State will be looking at a takeover of local Medicaid costs and the restoration of historic Safety Net funding shares.

- Indigent Defense. In most states the lion's share of funding to support indigent defense services is provided by the State. Counties are requesting the State begin to lay the groundwork for a multi-year expansion of a State funded program.
- Raising the Age of Criminal Responsibility. The State is considering raising the age of criminal responsibility from 16 to 18 which will force a significant increase in human services and probation costs to deal with this population of up to 30,000 youth that would be diverted out of the judicial system. Under any such proposal the State must absorb all new costs to support these necessary services.
- Re-allocate a Larger Share of County Clerk Walk-in Fees to Counties: Online and mail-based transactions through the State Department of Motor Vehicles have unfairly impacted county DMV offices and revenues. Allowing counties to retain more of these revenues would keep quality services locally, boost revenues, and enable counties to better cap or reduce county property taxes.
- Shortfall in Funding to Support 911 Emergency Operations. The state-imposed public safety surcharge must be fundamentally altered to keep pace with changes in the cellular marketplace and to more fairly distribute the existing surcharge among users of the 911 system. New pricing options are being implemented by all major cellular providers that are migrating consumers away from annual contracts to prepaid plans where the public safety surcharge is not collected.
- Increase Investment in Local Infrastructure. Counties encourage the Governor to propose a new round of grants to support local infrastructure using bank settlement funds that have not yet been appropriated.
- Support of Local Revenues: NYSAC has encouraged the Governor to support modernizing the state tax code in order to help counties maintain current revenue sources that fund locally desired services and state mandated programs.
- Internet Marketplace Act. Counties support the Governor's proposal to ensure sales taxes owed to the State are collected as required under State law. A significant amount of State and local sales tax remains uncollected related to certain internet transactions.
- Combine Primary Election Dates for 2016. Some counties are increasing their election budget allocations by 80 percent or more to accommodate the numerous State and Federal primaries next year. We strongly encourage the State consolidate primary dates to help lower costs for taxpayers and improve government efficiency.
- Property Tax Cap for 2017. Four months of data are available for calculating the 2017 county property tax cap and through the first four months we are running at 0 percent. Assuming a return to modest inflation over the next eight months we still expect an inflation adjustment for the tax cap below two percent in 2017.
- It was questioned if NYSAC is taking any stand on the Syrian refugee issue. P. Cummings said there has been a great deal of talk on the issue and NYSAC would want to voice the concern of it's counties, however are waiting to hear from them. The Governor has taken no action on the matter, stating it is a Federal matter.
- Why so much State//Federal highway money is given to downstate was questioned. P. Cummings noted downstate did receive a great deal of infrastructure money this year, it is hoped allocations will change in 2016. New York State has a great deal of settlement money that he believes can be used towards this purpose.

- If the State will provide exceptional funding for Land Banks was questioned. P. Cummings noting this is a growing issue throughout the State. It appears Land Bank programs are successful where they are adequately funded; he will look into this.
- Will the State give counties any Medicaid relief in 2016? P. Cummings said this is an issue NYSAC is always pushing for. This expense is great in every county budget; however he has not heard that the existing cost sharing program for Medicaid will be changing.
- Jacqueline Chairot, Aide to Congressman Thomas Reed, thanked Legislators for coming to today's meeting and for their commitment to public service. The Congressman's Office is always available for comments or to be used as a resource.
- Kevin Muldowney, Aide to NY State Senator Kathy Young, noted the Senator serves four counties, including Chautauqua.
- New York State Assemblyman Andy Goodell noted the difficulty in budgeting at the county level. He will continue to work to make the Medicaid cap more advantageous for counties. The State is looking to streamline the Welfare process. He stated the need to strengthen graduation requirements and get individuals off of Welfare. There is a need for parity in State funding, i.e. highway funding. Upstate is in need of these funds as much as downstate. The State is looking to increase tourism funding in the coming year.

Old Business

- Remaining on the agenda from last month's meeting was the resolution urging support of adoption of NYS Assembly Bill A01951 and Senate Bill S1792A titled "An Act to Amend the Vehicle and Traffic Law in Relation to the Definition of an All Terrain Vehicle or ATV". This legislation would change the definition of all terrain vehicles/ATVs to units weighing up to 1,500 pounds; the current law only allows the registration of these specifically named vehicles that weight up to 1,000 pounds. Mr. Hoffman questioned if any member wanted to comment on the issue. There were no comments. The request for consideration was dropped.

New Business

- The Nomination Committee presented their slate for Association Officers for the coming year. They are as follows: Robert Green (*Ontario*) President, Peter Yendell (*Livingston*) 1st Vice President, Shelley Stein (*Genesee*) 2nd Vice President, Karen DeMay (*Ontario*) Secretary and Brenda Mori (*Steuben*) Treasurer. S. LeRoy (*Wayne*) made a motion the slate of Officers be approved as presented, P. Helming (*Ontario*) second. Carried.
- R. Green (*Ontario*) presented all outgoing InterCounty delegates with Certificates of Appreciation, along with a rose and certificate to the InterCounty Secretary. After acknowledging the years of service InterCounty President James Hoffman has given to his community and the InterCounty Association, he presented him with a desk clock. J. Hoffman (*Wayne*) thanked members, stating it was a pleasure being an InterCounty delegate and President of the organization for the past year.

Resolutions

- On motion by R. Lemon (*Chautauqua*), second by J. Keefe (*Chautauqua*) to move Resolution 2015-IC-24 to the floor for discussion and consideration. It was noted resolutions were received from both Chautauqua and Cattaraugus Counties regarding prohibiting the sale of personal care products containing micro beads. It was noted the State Assembly passed bill A5896-2015 titled Enact the "Micro Bead-Free Waters Act" to prohibit personal cosmetic products containing

micro beads; however the issue has not been addressed yet by the State Senate. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

2015-IC-22	Cattaraugus Chautauqua	RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE STATE ESTABLISH A LAW THAT WOULD PROHIBIT THE SALE OF PERSONAL CARE PRODUCTS CONTAINING MICRO BEADS	CARRIED
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Presentations

- Mark Geise, Deputy Director of Planning for the Chautauqua County Land Bank spoke to members on conquering blight, strengthening neighborhoods and revitalizing communities. Chautauqua County set aside \$200,000 in 2007 under a Housing and Neighborhood Trust Fund for blight abatement and established a task force. In 2010 the County completed a Comprehensive Plan which recommended establishment of a Land Bank. The Plan was adopted by the Chautauqua County Legislature in 2011 and a Land Bank application approved by the State the same year. In September 2012 the Chautauqua County Land Bank Corporation was officially incorporated. In 2013 the Land Bank was awarded \$1.56 million by the State for 2014-15 activities. In 2014 they were awarded \$1.3 million for 2015-16 activities. A copy of the presentation is attached to these minutes.
- Tom Benson, Chairman of the National Comedy Center spoke to members about the Jamestown Urban Design Plan. The Plan outlines a vision for renewing downtown Jamestown, identifies the actions needed to accomplish the vision, and designates the roles and responsibilities of the institutions and people who can make it happen. The Plan recognizes that community revitalization requires the involvement of both the public and private sector to be successful and helps to guide these sectors as to the role they may play in rejuvenating downtown Jamestown. The Plan was put together through a year long planning process that grew out of a collaborative effort involving city government, businesses and community leaders, foundations, and city residents. Groundbreaking for the National Comedy Center in Jamestown took place in the summer of 2015. The Center will be the home of the first world-class experience entirely dedicated to comedy, both the craft and its legendary contributors. Photos of the 35,000 sq.ft. facility were displayed. The Center will be designed to allow for interactive involvement and a personal experience for visitors.

Adjournment

- R. Lemon (*Chautauqua*) thanked the Rotunda Grapevine Railroad Farm and other organizations for making donations for today's event. At 11:50 a.m. there was a motion by S. Stein (*Genesee*) to adjourn the meeting for lunch, second J. Pastrick (*Chemung*). All voted Aye. Carried. The next InterCounty Association of Western NY meetings are scheduled at the Winter NYSAC Conference and on February 19th in Ontario County.

Respectfully submitted,



Debbie A. Liseno, Secretary
Inter County Association of Western New York

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MINUTES - February 3, 2016
Joint meeting of
Intercounty Legislative Committee of the Adirondacks
and
Inter County Association of Western New York

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Adirondack Association President Mike Tabolt (*Lewis*) at 8:00 a.m.

NYSAC President, Bill Cherry, welcomed all present and admired the efforts of these two associations which meeting to exchange ideas and information on a regular basis. He thanked everyone for attending and was appreciative of being a part of this meeting.

Western NY Inter County President Bob Green (*Ontario*) led the Association in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call of Counties

The following 20 counties answered roll call:

Allegany, Cattaraugus, Cayuga, Chemung, Clinton, Franklin, Hamilton, Herkimer, Lewis, Livingston, Niagara, Ontario, Orleans, Saratoga, Schuyler, Seneca, St. Lawrence, Steuben, Warren, and Wyoming. Others present: NYSAC officials Steve Acquario, Mark LaVigne, and Patrick Cummings.

Guest Speaker, Kevin King Director of Agriculture Development with New York State Agriculture and Markets, spoke to the associations about promotion and presentation of New York State foods. A fine example of the initiative named Taste NY is located at Todd Hill in Dutchess County.

<http://ccedutchess.org/taste-ny-at-todd-hill> This marketing effort is a way to showcase local farms, selected products, and small businesses while promoting New York State's farm produce and products. These markets are funded through grants from the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets. It is an exciting way to promote agriculture and tourism businesses. Gross sales figures are estimated to reach 9 million in 2016. The Department of Agriculture and Markets is focused on broadening this program, defined as the Governor's initiative, throughout the state. These types of operations are funded through the NYS Consolidated Funding Application (CFA) process.

Following discussion, Adirondack Association President Mike Tabolt thanked Mr. King for his informative presentation. He also expressed appreciation for NYSAC's efforts to bring this meeting of the two associations to this conference. Steve Acquario and Mark LaVigne were thanked for their continued support.

Adjournment

On motion of Craig Brennan (*Lewis*), seconded by Donna Vickman (*Cattaraugus*) the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 AM.

Respectfully submitted,





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November Meeting Registrations – Chautauqua County		\$740.00	
Disbursements:			
Ck#1149 – Crown Jewelry (Outgoing President's Gift)	\$107.50		
Ck#1152 – The Catering Company – Chautauqua County	\$1,329.00		
Treasury Balance ending December 31, 2015			\$6,968.21



*Resolutions submitted
by member counties for
February 19, 2016*

County	No.	Title
Allegany	Res No. 292-15	Resolution Urging the Governor and Legislature to Gradually Restore the 50/50 State/County Sharing for the Safety Net Program and to Increase Shelter Grant Reimbursements to Counties
Allegany	Res. No. 9-16	Resolution in Support of an Educational Initiative Regarding a Vote to Convene a Constitutional Convention
Allegany	Res. No. 10-16	Resolution Calling on the State of New York to Restore Funding Parity Between the Capital Plans of the Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) and the New York State Department of Transportation
Orleans	Res. No. 70-116	Resolution Opposing Governor Cuomo's Proposed Increase in the Minimum Wage

RESOLUTION URGING THE GOVERNOR AND LEGISLATURE TO GRADUALLY RESTORE THE 50/50 STATE/COUNTY SHARING FOR THE SAFETY NET PROGRAM AND TO INCREASE SHELTER GRANT REIMBURSEMENTS TO COUNTIES

Offered by: Human Services Committee

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WHEREAS, the 2011-2012 State budget dramatically lowered the State's fiscal responsibility in the Safety Net Program by shifting the cost of 71 percent county/29 percent state, severing the historic 50 percent county/50 percent New York State partnership, and

WHEREAS, this continues a long line of state legislative actions that have transferred the State's constitutional and fiscal responsibility to care for the needy to county taxpayers, while providing counties virtually no control over eligibility for services and benefit levels, and

WHEREAS, the Safety Net funding shift also builds upon recent trends where the State has leveraged significant savings from maximizing available federal resources largely for state financial plan purposes only, at the expense of local property taxpayers, and

WHEREAS, the net effect of this state practice forced local property taxes to be higher than they should because available savings are being spent by the state rather than being used to lower the cost of state mandates that can provide direct relief to local property taxpayers, and

WHEREAS, nearly half of the states do not have Safety Net programs and New York is one of only 11 states that provides benefits to childless adults that do not have some disability, and

WHEREAS, most other states do not require counties to fund such a large share of public assistance costs, and

WHEREAS, counties in New York are required to finance the vast majority of Safety Net costs, putting in twice as much funding as the State, and

WHEREAS, counties believe that the rising cost of providing shelter assistance to recipients is a major contribution to this increase, and

WHEREAS, the reduction of State funding support for Safety Net Assistance is part of a larger trend where the State has reduced its fiscal commitment for nearly every public assistance program including child welfare, adoption subsidies, food stamp administration, Safety Net, child support enforcement, juvenile justice and programs designed to help recently released state incarcerated offenders returning to the community, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED:

1. That Allegany County calls on the State to gradually restore the historic 50/50 state/county cost sharing for the Safety Net program over a five year period, starting with an increase in county reimbursement for shelter assistance in order to help lower the local property tax burden for homeowners and small businesses; and

2. That certified copies of this resolution be sent to Governor Andrew Cuomo; Senator Catharine M. Young; Assemblyman Joseph M. Giglio; the New York State Association of Counties and the Inter-County Association of Western New York.

I, Brenda Rigby Riehle, Clerk of the Board of Legislators of the County of Allegany, State of New York, do hereby certify that the foregoing constitutes a correct copy of the original on file in my office and the whole thereof of a resolution passed by said

Board on the 28th day of December, 2015.

Brenda Rigby Riehle

Clerk, Board of Legislators, Allegany County

Dated at Belmont, New York this 29th day of December, 2015

Moved by LaForge Seconded by Fanton VOTE: Ayes _____ Noes _____ Absent _____ Voice

Intro. No. 10-16

RESOLUTION NO. 9-16

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County Attorney SM

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF AN EDUCATIONAL INITIATIVE REGARDING
A VOTE TO CONVENE A CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION**

Offered by: Ways & Means Committee

WHEREAS, the Board of Legislators of Allegany County believes basic structural change is necessary in New York State government, and

WHEREAS, according to Article 19, Section 2 of the New York State Constitution, a proposition will appear on the statewide ballot on November of 2017 for the convening of a Constitutional Convention for New York State, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED:

1. The Allegany County Board of Legislators requests that the New York State Association of Counties, along with the Inter-County Association of Western New York, engage with other like-minded organizations in a program of voter education regarding the importance of a vote to convene a Constitutional Convention.

2. That certified copies of this resolution be sent to the New York State Association of Counties and the Inter-County Association of Western New York.

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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

I, Brenda Rigby Riehle, Clerk of the Board of Legislators of the County of Allegany, State of New York, do hereby certify that the foregoing constitutes a correct copy of the original on file in my office and the whole thereof of a resolution passed by said

Board on the 11th day of January, 20 16

Brenda Rigby Riehle
Clerk, Board of Legislators, Allegany County Dated at Belmont, New York this 12th day of January, 20 16

Moved by Jessup Seconded by Healy VOTE: Ayes _____ Noes _____ Absent _____ Voice

Absent: McGraw

**RESOLUTION CALLING ON THE STATE OF NEW YORK TO RESTORE FUNDING
PARITY BETWEEN THE CAPITAL PLANS OF THE METROPOLITAN
TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY (MTA) AND THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT
OF TRANSPORTATION**

Offered by: Public Works Committee

WHEREAS, Governor Andrew Cuomo and Mayor de Blasio recently announced an agreement to jointly subsidize the Metropolitan Transportation Authority's (MTA) nearly \$11 billion funding gap for its 2015-19 five-year capital program; and

WHEREAS, as part of this agreement, the Governor is committing \$8.3 billion in state resources to cover the MTA plan's multi-year deficit; and

WHEREAS, while we may agree that this vital investment in downstate transit is needed, the state has yet to develop a new Department of Transportation Five-Year Capital Plan designed to assess current conditions and determine investments needed to provide for the future needs of a modern, safe, reliable, and efficient multimodal transportation system; and

WHEREAS, the enactment of the FAST Act, a fully funded five-year authorization of federal surface transportation programs that provides long-term federal funding predictability, should now facilitate the state to develop and fund a Transportation Five-Year Capital Plan; and

WHEREAS, locally-owned roads and bridges account for 87 percent of the State's 110,000 miles of roadways and 50 percent of the State's 18,000 bridges and are responsible for a vast system of aging culverts. These locally-owned transportation facilities are deteriorating at a rapid rate as counties continue to struggle to find adequate funding for their maintenance and replacement; and

WHEREAS, three of the last four DOT/MTA five-year capital programs were virtually identical in size; and

WHEREAS, for nearly two decades, through 2009, the parity agreement was honored and both five-year capital programs were similar in size as well as adopted within a month of each other. It is necessary to once again restore parity between the programs; and

WHEREAS, according to a 2014 Comptroller's report, thirty-four percent (34%) of bridges are deficient and forty-eight percent (48%) of road pavements in the state are rated fair or poor and getting worse; and

WHEREAS, restoring parity between the Department of Transportation's (DOT) highway and bridge five-year capital program and the MTA's capital program will assure each program is funded at a \$26.1 billion level, providing enough resources to help fund the local needs as described above, now, therefore, be it

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RESOLVED:

1. That the Allegany County Board of Legislators calls upon Governor Cuomo and our State Legislative Delegation to work with our County and other local governments in order to develop and fully-fund a Five-Year Capital Plan that will provide the necessary and proper funding to New York's counties by substantially increasing CHIPS and Marchiselli funding and establishing a five-year State Aid to Local Bridge and Culvert Program to give them the ability to adequately maintain their infrastructure.

2. That the Clerk of this Board shall forward certified copies of this resolution to Governor Andrew Cuomo; Senator Catharine M. Young; Assemblyman Joseph M. Giglio; the New York State Association of Counties and the Inter-County Association of Western New York.

Brenda Rigby Riehle, Clerk of the Board of Legislators of the County of Allegany, State of New York, do hereby certify that the foregoing constitutes a correct copy of the original on file in my office and the whole thereof of a resolution passed by said

Board on the 25th day of January, 2016.

Brenda Rigby Riehle Dated at Belmont, New York this 26th day of January, 2016
Clerk, Board of Legislators, Allegany County

Approved by Fanton Seconded by Graves VOTE: Ayes _____ Noes _____ Absent _____ Voice

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RESOLUTION NO. 70-116

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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

OPPOSING GOVERNOR CUOMO'S PROPOSED INCREASE IN THE MINIMUM WAGE

WHEREAS, Governor Cuomo's Executive 2016-17 State Budget Proposal includes increasing the minimum hourly wage from \$9.00 to \$15.00 over the period from December 31, 2016 to July 1, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Orleans County has experienced the loss of local jobs when New York's minimum wage was previously increased, which made New York State non-competitive with the minimum wage paid in other states; and

WHEREAS, it is the belief of this Legislature that the proposed government mandated minimum wage increase will cost upstate New York hundreds of thousands of jobs since the onerous tax structure in New York State already places a tremendous burden on small businesses; and

WHEREAS, this proposed increase in minimum wage will also create pressure on local governments, as employers, to increase wages in order to attract workers; and

WHEREAS, this wage pressure, together with a possible .12% tax cap on property taxes for next year, would create great pressure to cut non-mandated programs, such as valuable youth employment and senior programs to keep seniors at home and out of nursing homes; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Orleans County Legislature urges the Governor to reconsider this proposal, and asks our state delegation to oppose this increase; and, be it further

FURTHER RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Governor of the State of New York, NYS Senate Majority and Minority Leaders, NYS Assembly Majority and Minority Leaders, Senator Robert Ort, Assemblyman Stephen Hawley, Assemblywoman Jane Corwin, NYSAC, InterCounty of Western New York, all Orleans County Towns and Villages, Orleans Community Health System, and all others deemed necessary and proper.

Moved, Johnson; second, DeFilippis.
Adopted. 7 ayes; 0 nays; 0 absent.

COUNTY OF ORLEANS
STATE OF NEW YORK

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of a resolution duly adopted by the Orleans County Legislature on the 27th day of January, 2016.

Dated at Albion, New York
January 28, 2016

Nadine P. Hanlon

Nadine P. Hanlon, Clerk
Orleans County Legislature
County of Orleans, New York



Inter-County Western Association of New York

Bylaws and Rules

(Revise, Adopted - 4/16/10)

1. NAME AND COMPOSITION:

This organization shall be known as the "Inter-County Association of Western New York", and shall consist of the counties of Allegany, Cattaraugus, Cayuga, Chautauqua, Chemung, Erie, Genesee, Livingston, Monroe, Niagara, Ontario, Orleans, Schuyler, Seneca, Steuben, Tompkins, Wayne, Wyoming, and Yates.

2. PURPOSE:

This Association exists to serve its members by providing a forum for the exchange of ideas and information relative to local government, by considering problems of mutual interest, and by supporting those policies and programs of common interest to the members.

3. REPRESENTATION AND DUES:

Each member county shall be entitled to equal representation. Each county shall designate in January of each year, three voting members and their alternates who shall either be members of the legislative body or county officers. The names and addresses of each voting member shall be forwarded to the Secretary as soon after appointment as possible. The annual dues of this Association shall be fifty dollars (\$50.00) per county, to be remitted to the Treasurer on or before the submission of the list of voting members.

4. OFFICERS - ELECTIONS, TERMS:

This Association shall elect a President, 1st Vice President, and 2nd Vice President at the annual meeting to serve until the next annual meeting. The President cannot succeed him/herself more than once. A Secretary and a Treasurer shall be appointed by the President for a term commensurate with his or her own, but said individuals are not officers of the Association unless a member thereof.

5. DUTIES OF THE PRESIDENT:

The President shall be responsible for the administration of the association and the care of its property. In addition to the other duties prescribed herein, the President shall organize, or cause to be organized, all meetings of the Association, including designation of host county, location, agenda, program, and notification. The President may delegate administrative duties to the Secretary and/or Treasurer and to appoint all special committees as required by the voting members. The President will appoint a committee of three members to both the Nomination and Resolutions Committees in September of each year, with no more than one voting member from a county on each committee. .

6. RESOLUTION PROCEDURE:

a. Member counties shall submit draft copies of all proposed resolutions of general interest to the Secretary to be received at that office at least fifteen days prior to the regularly scheduled monthly meeting of the Association.

b. Proposed resolutions should be of interest to and have impact on more than one county. These resolutions will be shared with the membership for possible adoption by individual counties.

c. The Secretary will, as soon as practicable, forward copies of proposed resolutions to each member of the resolution committee. On receipt of proposals, Resolution Committee members will interact by phone or other means and discuss the merits of the proposed resolutions. If necessary, they will attempt to clarify the intent and reasoning of the initiating county by direct contact with that county.

The committee will meet immediately prior to monthly meetings and finalize its position on proposals and will make oral recommendations to the membership at the monthly meeting.

d. Initiating counties should be prepared to explain and defend their proposed resolutions when brought to the floor.

e. Any resolution may be introduced on the floor of scheduled meetings with the consent of two-thirds of the members present.

f. No resolution may be brought back once voted down for a period of one year without approval of two-thirds of the voting members.

g. The voting count on each resolution will be recorded by Ayes and Nays.

h. Priorities for InterCounty Resolutions shall be determined by recommendation to Resolution Committee members. Information included in the resolution should indicate budget impact statements gathered from estimates from each member county. Member counties will prioritize these recommended resolutions and vote on their adoption.

7. MEETINGS:

a. Regular meetings of the Association will be held monthly except during the months of January, July, and December, at a time and date as the Association decides by majority vote of the organization at the Annual meeting in November. Meeting dates may be changed by the President for valid reason. Call to order will be at 10:00 a.m.

b. Special meetings may be called at the discretion of the President or by at least 50% of the voting members.

c. Annual meetings shall be held not later than the last day of November each year.

d. Meetings shall be held in various locations, and host counties will select locations and programs.

e. Five counties represented by voting members at a meeting shall constitute a quorum for conducting business.

f. The President shall preside at all meetings. In the absence of the President, the 1st or the 2nd Vice President, in that order, shall preside. In the event of the absence of all three, the members present shall elect an acting President to preside.

g. Roberts' Rules of Order shall be used in the conduct of the meetings. The right to have the floor may be questioned by any member. In such event, the President shall get an expression from the members present and a majority vote shall be final.

h. Order of Business:

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
2. Roll Call of Counties.
3. Approval of Minutes.
4. Communications.
5. Reports of Officers.
6. Special orders, unfinished and old business.
7. New Business.
8. Program.
9. Adjournment.

i. Each voting member and guest shall be assessed a fee of twenty dollars (\$20 .00) per meeting to help defray program costs, luncheon, room reservation, and related expenses. Said fee is due and payable to the Treasurer on each meeting day.

8. AMENDMENT OF BYLAWS:

Any amendment to these bylaws may be adopted by a majority vote at the first meeting after its introduction.