

**ALLEGANY COUNTY BOARD OF LEGISLATORS
REGULAR SESSION**

**FEBRUARY 9, 2015
** APPROVED ****

CALL TO ORDER: The regular meeting of the Board of Legislators was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Chairman Curtis W. Crandall.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG: The Pledge of Allegiance was led by retired United States Coast Guard Chief Warrant Officer Second Class Scott G. Stewart.

INVOCATION: The Invocation was given by Legislator Pullen.

ROLL CALL: 13 Legislators Present: Scott Burt, Curtis Crandall, Philip Curran, David Decker, Dwight Fanton, Karl Graves, Dwight "Mike" Healy, Theodore Hopkins, Charles Jessup, Kevin LaForge, Aaron McGraw, David Pullen, Debra Root Absent: Timothy O'Grady, Norman Ungermann, Jr.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The Board meeting minutes of January 26, 2015, were amended following a motion made by Legislator Burt, seconded by Legislator Root, and carried to correct a typographical error on line four of page four. The word "bit" should have been "bid." The minutes were then approved as amended following a motion made by Legislator Burt, seconded by Legislator Root, and carried.

PUBLIC HEARING:

Chairman Crandall closed the regular meeting to hold a public hearing concerning a proposed grant application developed in partnership with the Cattaraugus Community Action Agency and directed to the New York State Homes and Community Renewal Community Development Block Grant Program, seeking a \$750,000 grant to replace seven to eight dilapidated owner-occupied manufactured homes within Allegany County and address septic and water issues serving those homes, with such homes owned by members of a vulnerable population comprising the elderly, disabled and veterans.

The Board did receive one comment via email. The following statement was received from Frederick Sinclair.

"I am writing to express my support for the Cattaraugus Community Action Agency application to the New York State Homes and Renewal Community Development Block Grant Program. The proposed project will replace 7 or 8 dilapidated manufactured homes for the Allegany County vulnerable population comprising elderly, disabled and veterans.

‘The HUD plan for our County as well as the Comprehensive Plan and NYSEERDA Sustainability Plan all identify the need for upgrading aging manufactured homes. Not only are there health and safety issues that will be resolved, but long term reduction in energy costs are also worthwhile results.

‘Such activity will also potentially spark action toward the application of energy efficient modular prototypes which have been developed at the SUNY School of Applied Science in conjunction with Alfred University. These award winning unit designs and costs will be evaluated against the specifications for the replacement homes and possibly be part of the competitive bidding process for the replacements.’

As there were no further comments, the public hearing was declared closed, and the Board reconvened in regular session.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Chairman Crandall presented a certificate to Scott G. Stewart, retired United States Coast Guard Chief Warrant Officer Second Class, in grateful appreciation of his service to our country. Mr. Stewart’s Army service dates were from July 12, 1976, to July 11, 1979. Mr. Stewart’s Coast Guard service dates were from April 28, 1980, to August 31, 1998. Following Basic Training at Fort Dix, NJ, assignments included: Fort McClellan, AL, two tours in Germany, Cape Main, NJ, Yorktown, VA, Iwo Jima, Japan, two tours in Galveston, TX, Marcus, Japan, Kodiak, AK, Fort Seward, AK, Baltimore, MD, Coast Guard Cutter Clamp, Coast Guard Cutter Hatchet, Coast Guard Cutter Yocona and Coast Guard Cutter Mustang. Commendations he received included: Coast Guard Bronze Star, Coast Guard Commendation Medal, Coast Guard Achievement Medal, five Coast Guard Good Conduct Medals, Coast Guard Humanitarian Service Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Commandants Letter of Commendation Ribbon with one gold star, Coast Guard Meritorious Unit Commendation Ribbon, Coast Guard Commendation Ribbon with one gold star, Coast Guard Bicentennial Unit Commendation Ribbon, Sea Service Ribbon with two bronze stars, Coast Guard Restricted Duty Ribbon with one bronze star, and Marksman M-16 and .45 Caliber Pistol. Mr. Stewart led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag at the beginning of the meeting as part of the Veterans’ Honorary Pledge of Allegiance Program. Chairman Crandall noted that Mr. Stewart is the 150th Veteran to be honored since this program began.

Chairman Crandall presented a certificate and a copy of the 2013 Allegany County Legislators’ Proceedings to the family of former Legislator Douglas Burdick. The 2013 Allegany County Legislators’ Proceedings was dedicated to Mr. Burdick. His wife Mary Jane and his daughter Dawn were in attendance to accept these items on behalf of his family. Chairman Crandall read the following press release which was made at the time of Mr. Burdick’s death.

“As Chairman of the Allegany County Board of Legislators, I am deeply saddened by the passing of Legislator Doug Burdick as is our entire Board of legislators, Department

Heads, and County employees. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Doug's wife Mary Jane and the Burdick family.

'Doug played a key role in the progression of Allegany County. Since Doug took office in 2006, he has used his common sense approach to issues to influence the Board of Legislators in a positive way. We will miss Doug's quick sense of humor and ability to ask the proper questions for all of our benefit even though many times Doug already knew the answer.

'As Chairman of the Human Services Committee, Doug had the Commissioner of Social Services, Public Health Director, Office for the Aging Director, and Community Services Director report to him and his committee on a regular basis. Collectively these departments make up the largest portion of our County Budget. Doug took special interest in each so he could better understand their operations and better serve the people of Allegany County. Besides Chairman of the Human Services Committee, Doug was Vice Chairman of the Personnel Committee, and served on the Ways & Means and Public Safety Committees. Doug also served as the Legislative representative to the Office for the Aging Citizens Advisory Council, County Board of Health, and Soil & Water Conservation District Board, along with involvement in other organizations.

'Allegany County has lost a great Legislator and citizen with the untimely passing of Doug Burdick.'

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS, COMMUNICATIONS, REPORTS, ETC.:

1. Report of Tax Bill Corrections Approved by the County Administrator in January 2015.
2. Report of IntraFund Transfers Approved by the County Administrator in January 2015.
3. The County Treasurer filed a List of Delinquent Taxes (TF14) which was filed on November 6, 2014, in the Clerk of the Board's Office on January 27, 2015.
4. Correspondence from Nancy Meyers the owner of the Duke House Tea Room & Bakery inviting Legislators to visit her establishment while renovations are taking place.
5. Governor Cuomo's Office has announced that a Cabinet Official will present the Governor's State-of-the-State Address at 10:30 a.m. at the Wellsville Library and 2 p.m. at the Alfred State College Leadership Center. All Legislators are invited to attend.

APPOINTMENTS:

Chairman Curtis W. Crandall appointed Amanda Vallone, Sr. Disaster Program Manager with the American Red Cross of Central & Western New York to the **HAZARD MITIGATION TEAM**, effective immediately, to serve at his pleasure.

Chairman Curtis W. Crandall made the following appointments to the **ALLEGANY COUNTY YOUTH BOARD**.

Jessica Jennings	District I	Re-Appointment (term expiring 3/25/18)
Kelly Goble	District II	New Appointment (term expiring 3/25/18)
Jack Emrick	District III	Re-Appointment (term expiring 3/25/18)
Michele Henry	District IV	Re-Appointment (term expiring 3/25/18)
Vicky Westacott	District V	Re-Appointment (term expiring 3/25/18)

RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION NO. 32-15

RESOLUTION URGING GOVERNOR CUOMO AND THE NEW YORK STATE LEGISLATURE TO ADVANCE FUNDING AND EXPEDITE COMPLETION OF THE INTERSTATE 86 PROJECTS IN BROOME, DELAWARE, SULLIVAN, AND ORANGE COUNTIES

Offered by: Ways & Means Committee

WHEREAS, Governor Pataki committed to a ten-to-twelve year construction program to complete the Route 17 conversion to I-86 beginning with the first designation (177 miles Chemung County West to Pennsylvania) on December 3, 1999; and

WHEREAS, the designation of New York State Route 17 to I-86 will provide a highway network across the entire Southern Tier into Western New York with connection to every Interstate Highway located within New York State and Interstate Highways leading into Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, the upgrade and designation of Route 17 as I-86 will make the region more competitive and able to attract substantial growth in business, industry, and tourism as well as improve the safety of the traveling public; and

WHEREAS, the New York I-86 Economic Development Benefit Study, issued in January 2000, which was widely accepted and quoted at all levels of government, called for an aggressive eight-year construction period that would result in a 3.2 billion dollar direct economic benefit to communities along the I-86 Highway Corridor once the conversion has been completed; and

WHEREAS, with proper funding and resources (Fast Track/Design Build) for the remaining projects in Broome, Delaware, Sullivan, and Orange Counties, the conversion of Route 17 to I-86 could be completed many years sooner than on the present schedule providing vast economic benefits to the Hudson Valley, Southern Tier, and Western New York regions and would yield significant economic benefits for the nation by facilitating national freight flows, reducing travel times, improving safety, and enhancing access to markets; completion would create new jobs and greater value-added activity; and

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Transportation in the latest update to its capital program proposes to delay to 2017 the first stage of the two stage Exit 131 reconstruction project which was to have begun in 2013; and

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Transportation has also proposed to delay construction to Exit 122 (State Route 3 westbound ramps) to 2017; and

WHEREAS, the Ways and Means Committee of this Board has recommended that the Allegany County Legislature authorize this Resolution, now therefore, be it

RESOLVED:

1. That the Allegany County Legislature does hereby request Governor Andrew Cuomo and the New York State Legislature advance funding (Fast Track/Design Build) expediting completion of the projects in Broome, Delaware, Sullivan and Orange Counties on New York State Route 17 so that the same may be converted to Interstate Route 86.

2. The the Clerk of the Board is hereby authorized and directed to forward copies of this resolution to Governor Andrew Cuomo, the current Speaker of the New York State Assembly, Honorable Dean Skelos, Honorable Christopher Friend, Honorable Thomas O'Mara, Honorable David Gantt, Honorable Catharine Young, Honorable Thomas Libous, Honorable David Carlucci, Honorable John Bonacic, Honorable William Larkin, Honorable Joseph Giglio, Honorable Kenneth Zebrowski, Honorable Phillip Palmesano, Honorable Karl Brabenec, Honorable Donna Lupardo, Honorable Aileen Gunther, Honorable Andy Goodell, Honorable Thomas Santulli, the Inter-County Association of Western New York, the New York State Association of Counties, and the I-86 Corridor Counties (Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Steuben, Tioga, Broome, Delaware, Sullivan, Orange).

Moved by: Mr. Jessup
Seconded by: Mr. Fanton

Adopted: Voice Vote

Comments made regarding Resolution No. 32-15 included: Legislator Decker remarked that this project was supposed to take ten years. The project began in 1999. There are still four counties to go through to finish this up. This project benefits the whole state, not just the Southern Tier. We need to have this highway show up on the Interstate map. Legislator Decker offered his support for the resolution.

RESOLUTION NO. 33-15

**CREATION OF ONE POSITION OF A FULL TIME E-911 DISPATCHER
WITHIN THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

Offered by: Public Safety Committee

RESOLVED:

1. That one position of full time E-911 Dispatcher (AFSCME, Council 66, Grade 13, Step Base) is created.
2. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by: Mr. Curran
Seconded by: Mr. Pullen

Adopted: Roll Call
13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent

Comments made regarding Resolution No. 33-15 included: Legislator Burt stated that he had talked to Sheriff Whitney about the need for this position. He said that Sheriff Whitney explained the situation very well and Legislator Burt understands that this will save costs. Legislator Burt offered his support for the resolution.

RESOLUTION NO. 34-15

APPOINTMENT TO THE ALLEGANY COUNTY PLANNING BOARD

Offered by: Planning & Economic Development Committee

RESOLVED:

1. That the appointment of John Stolfus of Independence, New York, by the Chairman of this Board, to a three-year term as a member of the Allegany County Planning Board commencing January 1, 2015, and expiring December 31, 2017, is approved.

Moved by: Mr. Hopkins
Seconded by: Ms. Root

Adopted: Voice Vote

RESOLUTION NO. 35-15

**REAPPOINTMENT OF TWO LEGISLATIVE MEMBERS AND ONE
COUNTY GRANGE MEMBER TO THE ALLEGANY COUNTY SOIL AND WATER
CONSERVATION DISTRICT BOARD**

Offered by: Resource Management Committee

Pursuant to Soil and Water Conservation District Law §§ 6 and 7

RESOLVED:

1. That Theodore L. Hopkins of Fillmore, New York, and Karl Graves of Wellsville, New York, are reappointed to the Allegany County Soil and Water Conservation District Board as Legislative Members, with term of office commencing January 1, 2015, and expiring December 31, 2015.

2. That James Wilcox of Almond, New York, is appointed to the Allegany County Soil and Water Conservation District Board as the County Grange appointee, to replace Curtis Rung, with term of office commencing January 1, 2015, and expiring December 31, 2017.

Moved by: Mr. Graves
Seconded by: Mr. Fanton

Adopted: Voice Vote

RESOLUTION NO. 36-15

**APPROVAL OF BOARD CHAIRMAN'S RE-APPOINTMENTS OF TWO MEMBERS TO
REGION NINE FISH AND WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT BOARD**

Offered by: Resource Management Committee

Pursuant to Environmental Conservation Law § 11-0501

RESOLVED:

1. That the re-appointments by the Chairman of this Board of Phillip May as the Landowner Representative Member and Richard (Butch) Lorow as the Alternate Landowner Representative Member, to the Region Nine Fish and Wildlife Management Board, with a term of office commencing January 1, 2015, and expiring December 31, 2016, are approved.

Moved by: Mr. Graves
Seconded by: Mr. Curran

Adopted: Voice Vote

RESOLUTION NO. 37-15

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A CONSOLIDATED GRANT
APPLICATION FOR SECTION 5311 CAPITAL/OPERATING FUNDING FOR THE
ALLEGANY COUNTY PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM FOR CALENDAR YEARS
2015 AND 2016 THROUGH THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION (NYSDOT)**

Offered by: Ways & Means Committee

WHEREAS, the County of Allegany is submitting a grant application for funding to the New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT), pursuant to Section 5311, Title 49 United States Code, for Capital/Operating funding for the Allegany County public transportation system for calendar years 2015 and 2016, and

WHEREAS, the total amount being sought for the 2015 and 2016 calendar years is \$2,044,275, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED:

1. That the Chairman of the Board is authorized to act on behalf of the County of Allegany to sign the consolidated grant application for Section 5311 Capital/Operating funding.

Moved by: Mr. Jessup
Seconded by: Mr. Graves

Adopted: Roll Call
13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent

RESOLUTION NO. 38-15

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ALLEGANY COUNTY TO PURSUE A \$750,000
GRANT UNDER THE NEW YORK STATE HOMES AND COMMUNITY
RENEWAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM;
AUTHORIZING CHAIRMAN TO SIGN DOCUMENTS**

Offered by: Ways & Means Committee

WHEREAS, Cattaraugus Community Action Agency has approached Allegany County to act as the lead agency on a grant application under the New York State Homes and Community Renewal Community Development Block Grant Program, and

WHEREAS, the application will seek a grant in the amount of \$750,000 to replace, within Allegany County, seven to eight dilapidated owner occupied manufactured homes and address septic and well issues serving those properties, and

WHEREAS, the houses to be replaced will target the most vulnerable populations within Allegany County comprising the elderly, disabled and veterans, and

WHEREAS, there is no requirement that any County dollars be committed as a condition of receiving the grant, and

WHEREAS, Cattaraugus Community Action Agency intends to prepare the grant application and oversee administration of the grant, and

WHEREAS, the program requires that a municipal corporation act as the lead agency and recipient of the grant funds, and

WHEREAS, Allegany County is willing to serve as the lead agency, and

WHEREAS, as part of the grant process a public hearing was conducted, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED:

1. That Allegany County is authorized to pursue a \$750,000 grant under the New York State Homes and Community Renewal Community Development Block Grant program.

2. That the Chairman of this Board is authorized to sign all documents necessary to apply for the grant.

Moved by: Mr. Jessup
Seconded by: Ms. Root

Adopted: Roll Call
13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent

RESOLUTION NO. 39-15

**RE-APPROPRIATION OF ALLEGANY COUNTY
COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING SCHOOL GRANT MONEY**

Offered by: Planning & Economic Development and Ways & Means Committees

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 131-14, Allegany County Comprehensive Planning School grant funds in the amount of \$67,669 were accepted and appropriated, and

WHEREAS, the Allegany County Comprehensive Planning School grant funds were not received in 2014, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to re-appropriate the Allegany County Comprehensive Planning School grant funds, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED:

1. That the sum of \$67,669 is appropriated and shall be placed in Account No. A8020.495 (Home and Community Service-Contractual Allegany County Comprehensive Planning School) with a like sum credited to Revenue Account No. A8020.3089.00 (Planning-State Aid Other).

Moved by: Mr. Hopkins
Seconded by: Mr. Fanton

Adopted: Roll Call
13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent

RESOLUTION NO. 40-15

**APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT WITH ALLEGANY COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY
FOR PAYMENT OF 2015 BUDGETARY APPROPRIATION**

Offered by: Planning & Economic Development Committee

RESOLVED:

1. That the Agreement between the County of Allegany and the Allegany County Agricultural Society, is approved.
2. That the Chairman of this Board is authorized to execute such Agreement.
3. That the County Treasurer, upon receipt of a true copy of said Agreement, is authorized and directed to remit to said Society the sum of \$8,000 and charge Account No. A8752.492 (Agricultural Society) therefor.

Moved by: Mr. Hopkins
Seconded by: Ms. Root

Adopted: Roll Call
13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent

RESOLUTION NO. 41-15

**APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT WITH ALLEGANY COUNTY ASSOCIATION FOR THE
BLIND AND VISUALLY HANDICAPPED, INC., IN RELATION TO THE RENDERING OF
SERVICE, TRAINING OR AID TO INDIGENT BLIND IN ALLEGANY COUNTY**

Offered by: Human Services Committee

Pursuant to County Law § 224 (6)

RESOLVED:

1. That the Agreement in the amount of \$8,000 between the County of Allegany and Allegany County Association for the Blind and Visually Handicapped, Inc., in relation to the rendering of service, training or aid to indigent blind in Allegany County during 2015, is approved.
2. That the Chairman of this Board is authorized to execute said Agreement in triplicate.

Moved by: Mr. LaForge
Seconded by: Mr. Graves

Adopted: Roll Call
12 Ayes, 1 No, 2 Absent

Voting No: Burt

Comments made regarding Resolution No. 41-15 included: Legislator Burt stated that he would probably be the only Legislator to vote "no". He indicated that it was not because of the services provided by the association. He noticed when looking at the association's budget that they give Christmas bonuses to their employees. He feels he needs to be a good steward of the taxpayer's money. He can't see giving the association \$8,000 and then have the association give bonuses to their employees. (Note: The bonuses Legislator Burt referred to total \$150, divided by three employees.)

RESOLUTION NO. 42-15

ACCEPTANCE OF PROPOSAL FROM MRB GROUP TO CONDUCT AND OVERSEE, IN COOPERATION WITH THE COUNTY PLANNER, THE ALLEGANY COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING SCHOOL

Offered by: Planning & Economic Development Committee

WHEREAS, Allegany County has received a grant from NYSERDA in the amount of \$67,669 for the purpose of running an Allegany County Comprehensive Planning School to assist participating Towns and Villages throughout the County in the preparation of their respective comprehensive plans, and

WHEREAS, the total cost of the Comprehensive Planning School project is not to exceed \$90,225 with the County and participating Towns and Villages to provide \$22,556 of in-kind services, which amount represents 25% of the total cost, and

WHEREAS, a requirement of the grant is that the County must procure the professional services of a consultant to work with the County Planner in conducting and overseeing the Comprehensive Planning School, and

WHEREAS, in response to the issuance of an RFP by the County, MRB Group submitted a proposal that best meets the requirements of the County for a professional consultant to work with the County Planner in conducting and overseeing the Allegany County Comprehensive Planning School at a cost not to exceed of \$67,669, now therefore, be it

RESOLVED:

1. That the terms of the proposal set forth in a letter dated January 19, 2015 from MRB Group to H. Kier Dirlam regarding the provision of professional services related to the Allegany County Comprehensive Planning School at a lump sum cost of \$67,500 are hereby approved.

2. That the Chairman of this Board is authorized to execute said letter indicating acceptance of the proposal.

Moved by: Mr. Hopkins
Seconded by: Mr. Pullen

Adopted: Roll Call
13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent

Comments made regarding Resolution No. 42-15 included: Legislator Pullen remarked that this school represents an innovative effort by County Planner Kier Dirlam. He noted that this could be a template or model for other counties. Legislator Pullen wanted to recognize Mr. Dirlam for his efforts and offered his support of the resolution.

Resolution Intro. No. 45-15 (**AMENDING RESOLUTION 20-2015 TO SHOW THE PROPER ACCOUNT THAT FUNDS ARE BEING TRANSFERRED TO**) was not pre-filed and was considered from the floor on a motion made by Legislator Curran, seconded by Legislator Root, and carried by an affirmative voice vote of the requisite two-thirds of the Board membership.

RESOLUTION NO. 43-15

AMENDING RESOLUTION 20-2015 TO SHOW THE PROPER ACCOUNT THAT FUNDS ARE BEING TRANSFERRED TO

Offered by: Public Safety and Ways & Means Committees

RESOLVED:

1. That Resolution 20-2015 is hereby amended to provide that the sum of \$36,900 in unexpended Literacy West Grant funds shall be transferred from A15.599.00 (Fund Balance) to Account No. A3151.447 (Jail-Educational Services-Contractual).

Moved by: Mr. Curran
Seconded by: Mr. Fanton

Adopted: Roll Call
13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent

Resolution Intro. No. 46-15 (**APPROVAL OF MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH CORNELL COOPERATIVE EXTENSION ASSOCIATION OF ALLEGANY COUNTY AND AUTHORIZING CHAIRMAN TO EXECUTE MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT; AUTHORIZING COUNTY TREASURER TO MAKE APPROPRIATION PAYMENTS IN RELATION TO THE 2015 BUDGETARY APPROPRIATION FOR THE WORK OF SUCH ASSOCIATION**) was not pre-filed and was considered from the floor on a motion made by Legislator Graves, seconded by Legislator LaForge, and carried by an affirmative voice vote of the requisite two-thirds of the Board membership.

RESOLUTION NO. 44-15

**APPROVAL OF MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH CORNELL COOPERATIVE
EXTENSION ASSOCIATION OF ALLEGANY COUNTY AND
AUTHORIZING CHAIRMAN TO EXECUTE MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT;
AUTHORIZING COUNTY TREASURER TO MAKE APPROPRIATION PAYMENTS
IN RELATION TO THE 2015 BUDGETARY APPROPRIATION FOR THE
WORK OF SUCH ASSOCIATION**

Offered by: Resource Management Committee

Pursuant to County Law § 224 (8)

RESOLVED:

1. That Memorandum of Agreement between the County of Allegany and the Cornell Cooperative Extension Association of Allegany County, dated January 21, 2015, in relation to the payment of appropriations to such Association by the County and the providing of services for such appropriations is approved and the Chairman of this Board is authorized to execute such Memorandum of Agreement.

2. That the County Treasurer is authorized and directed to pay one-half of the sum provided in the 2015 County Final Budget for such Association in advance on the first day of each half of the year beginning January 2015, to be used by such Association pursuant to the terms and conditions of such Agreement; such payments to be made to the duly bonded Treasurer of such Association.

Moved by: Mr. Graves
Seconded by: Mr. LaForge

Adopted: Roll Call
12 Ayes, 1 No, 2 Absent
Voting No: Burt

Comments made regarding Resolution No. 44-15 included: Legislator Burt remarked that this is a huge amount of money. He doesn't know exactly what we're getting for that money. Legislator Graves stated that he'd had the pleasure of working with the director of Cornell Cooperative Extension. He's seen what they do and feels it's a much needed program. Legislator Graves urged support of the resolution. Legislator Pullen stated that he's been on the Board of Cornell Cooperative Extension for nine years. He feels it's an excellent program. It pulls together state and federal money, and we get "considerable bang for our buck." Legislator Pullen urged support of the resolution.

Resolution Intro. No. 47-15 (**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTINUING AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF NEW YORK FOR UNDERTAKING THE PROJECT AS IT RELATES TO SECTION 5311 FUNDING FOR THE COUNTY PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM; AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF ANNUAL GRANT APPLICATIONS FOR 5311 FUNDS**) was not pre-filed and was considered from the floor on a motion made by Legislator Jessup, seconded by Legislator Curran, and carried by an affirmative voice vote of the requisite two-thirds of the Board membership.

RESOLUTION NO. 45-15

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTINUING AGREEMENT WITH THE
STATE OF NEW YORK FOR UNDERTAKING THE PROJECT AS IT
RELATES TO SECTION 5311 FUNDING FOR THE COUNTY PUBLIC
TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM; AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION
OF ANNUAL GRANT APPLICATIONS FOR 5311 FUNDS**

Offered by: Ways and Means Committee

WHEREAS, Section 5311 of Title 49, United States Code, provides federal financial assistance for public transportation in rural and small urban areas by way of a formula grant program to be administered by the States; and

WHEREAS, the County of Allegany may make application annually to New York State Department of Transportation for such federal aid for operating assistance for a Project to provide public mass transportation service on a continuing basis in Allegany County; and

WHEREAS, the County of Allegany desires to enter into a continuing agreement with the State of New York for the undertaking of the Project; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED:

1. That the Chairman of this Board is authorized to act on behalf of the County of Allegany to sign a continuing agreement between the County of Allegany and the State of New York providing for the undertaking of the Project and authorizing annual grant applications for such Section 5311 funds.

2. That the Chairman of this Board is further authorized to act on behalf of the County of Allegany to sign any and all agreements between the County of Allegany and any third party subcontractors necessary to complete the Project.

Moved by: Mr. Jessup
Seconded by: Mr. Curran

Adopted: Roll Call
13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent

AUDITS:

A motion was made by Legislator Jessup, seconded by Legislator Graves, and carried, that the audits be acted upon collectively and by totals.

Legislator Healy asked for clarification on the appropriations under Public Safety. County Treasurer Terri Ross indicated that equipment for the E911 phone system was included in there, and that it's part of the grant received by the Sheriff's Office. Legislator Hopkins added that grants are included in the appropriation accounts, so you have to be

careful when talking about appropriations, because these grants can make the Budget look larger.

A motion was made by Legislator Root, seconded by Legislator Graves, and adopted on a roll call vote of 13 Ayes, 0 Noes, 2 Absent, that the audit of claims, totaling \$3,402,577.08, including prepaid expenses, be approved for payment as recommended by the County Administrator. (*Allegany County's Local Dollar Share of the NYS Medicaid Program paid year-to-date is \$965,930.*)

COMMENTS: Chairman Crandall reminded the Board about the State-of-the-State Address being presented locally. He added that the presentation was open to the public as well.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 2:56 p.m. on a motion made by Legislator Graves, seconded by Legislator Root, and carried.