

**WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
BOARD MEETING  
FRIDAY, AUGUST 19, 2011**

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Warren convened at the Supervisors' Room in the Warren County Municipal Center, Lake George, New York, at 10:15 a.m.

Mr. Daniel G. Stec presiding.

Salute to the flag was led by Supervisor Belden.

Roll called, the following members present:

Supervisors Conover, Monroe, Girard, McDevitt, Taylor, Loeb, Kenny, Belden, Bentley, Goodspeed, McCoy, Merlino, Stec, Strainer, Champagne, VanNess, Sokol, Thomas, Wood and Geraghty - 20.

Motion was made by Mr. Sokol, seconded by Mrs. Wood and carried unanimously, to approve the minutes of the July 15, 2011 Board Meeting, subject to correction by the Clerk of the Board.

Chairman Stec declared the Public Hearing on the proposed tentative budget for Adirondack Community College for fiscal year 2011-2012, open at 10:17 a.m. and requested the Clerk read the Notice of Public Hearing for the record.

Clerk read the Notice of Public Hearing on the proposed tentative budget for Adirondack Community College for fiscal year 2011-2012.

Privilege of the floor was extended to Bill Long, Vice President of Administrative Services for Adirondack Community College (ACC). Mr. Long asserted that according to Education Law, the State was supposed to fund community colleges at 40% and in 2010-2011, the State provided 29.05% support to ACC; he noted that it was expected to be reduced to 27% for 2011-2012. He added that under the Education Law, student tuition was supposed to be 33.3% and the students had paid nearly 48% of the operating budget for 2010-2011; he stated they expected that to increase to 50.4% for 2011-2012. Mr. Long noted that the local share, which was the cash and chargebacks of Warren and Washington Counties, was supposed to equate to 26.7% of the operating budget; however, he said, for 2010-2011 it was 23.3% and they expected it to equate to 22.6% for 2011-2012. He highlighted the following budget details: an increase over last years budget of 2.25%; an increase in salaries and wages of approximately \$346,000, which comprised 80% of the budget; health and dental insurance decreased by \$140,000; significant decreases in travel and technology equipment; an increase of 5.02% in tuition. Mr. Long reminded the board members that the State Aid had decreased over the last two years by 21%. He reported that the requested contribution from Warren County was an increase of \$9,165 over last year. He apprised that the professional staff, which were the only non-union workforce on campus, would not receive raises this year. Mr. Long announced the total budget for ACC for 2011-

2012, not including grants, was \$24,698,580. He added that the grant amount to be included was \$686,637; thereby totaling \$25,385,217.

There being no one further wishing to speak on the proposed tentative budget for Adirondack Community College for fiscal year 2011-2012, Chairman Stec declared the Public Hearing closed at 10:25 a.m.

Chairman Stec informed the next item on the Agenda was a presentation of the logo for the Warren County Bicentennial by representatives of the Warren County Historical Society. He advised that the winner of the logo design contest was Rachael DelSignore from Glens Falls High School who was present today to be recognized. He added that the runners-up would also receive recognition and he listed them as follows: Shelby Backus, from Hadley-Luzerne High School; Molly Newst, from Glens Falls High School; and Sophie Bruno, Lauren Peneck and Peter Valente from Lake George High School. Chairman Stec presented Miss DelSignore with a certificate of appreciation for her creative design of the logo, which was shown to the board members, and he thanked her for her work on the project. The board members responded with applause. John Strough, Chair of the Logo Design Committee, explained the process of determining the logo for the Warren County Bicentennial, which included the involvement of six area schools and many students in the County. Mr. Strough thanked Miss DelSignore for her participation, as well.

Chairman Stec acknowledged Barbara Sweet, of the Tri-County United Way, who had requested to address the board members to present the new draft of the Resource Guide. Ms. Sweet advised that she was representing a large task force that was established by the Tri-County United Way to review the costs that affected peoples lives and led them into economic distress. She introduced Kevin O'Brien, a member of the Tri-County United Way Board of Directors, who was present to discuss the new Resource Guide. Mr. O'Brien distributed copies of the Resource Guide to the board members, a copy of which is on file with the minutes. Mr. O'Brien reviewed the information with the board members and requested each Supervisor to place the Guides in their Town Halls, churches and schools. Chairman Stec thanked Ms. Sweet and Mr. O'Brien for the information.

Chairman Stec remarked that Margaret Sing Smith, Director of Youth Bureau, had requested to address the board members regarding the proposed skate park at the former Gaslight Village property. Ms. Smith introduced the team of young individuals that had been working with the community, area businesses and elected officials for the past three years to advance the concept of a skate park in Lake George. She also acknowledged Patricia Dow, of the Lake George Steamboat Company, who has been a key supporter of the young people involved in this project. Ms. Smith advised these individuals had assisted in the design and development of the skate park, as well as coordinated fund-raising efforts for the project. Ms. Dow expressed her opinion that a skate park would be a great tourism attraction and an asset to the community. Mr. Monroe pointed out that at the Gaslight Village Ad Hoc Committee meeting held earlier in the morning, the Committee approved the conceptual design for the

property which included the skate park. Ms. Smith concluded that she was very proud of the young individuals involved with this project. Chairman Stec expressed his appreciation to the young individuals, as well, and encouraged them to continue to be involved in community projects, such as this, in the future.

Continuing the Agenda review, Chairman Stec reported that the Corinth Road Reconstruction Project was nearing completion and was ahead of schedule. He noted that the Department of Public Works had overseen a very complex project and he congratulated Jeff Tennyson, Superintendent of Public Works, and Kevin Hajos, Deputy Superintendent of Public Works, for all of their work on the project. He stated that the Capital District Regional Economic Development Council had held their second meeting recently in which discussions focused on putting together competing strategic plans for improving economic development opportunities in New York State. He asserted that a survey was forwarded to each Supervisor requesting input regarding the same. Chairman Stec added that the Beach Road Project was also discussed at the recent meeting of the Capital District Regional Economic Development Council relative to the section of road that was owned by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYS DEC) and he was encouraged that the issue would be resolved in the near future.

Chairman Stec called for reports by Committee Chairmen on past month's activities or meetings and the following gave verbal reports:

Supervisor Belden, Public Works; Supervisor Bentley, Legislative & Rules; Supervisor Merlino, Tourism; Supervisor Strainer, Human Services; Supervisor Champagne, Community College; Supervisor VanNess, Public Safety; Supervisor Sokol, Health Services; Supervisor Thomas, Finance; Supervisor Geraghty, Budget; Supervisor Conover, Personnel; Supervisor Monroe, Gaslight Village Ad Hoc; Supervisor Girard, Extension Service; Supervisor Taylor, Economic Growth & Development and Support Services; Supervisor Loeb, Social Services; and Supervisor Kenny, Occupancy Tax Coordination.

Concerning the Public Works Committee, Mr. Belden regretfully reported that Don DeGraw, Airport Manager, was resigning from the County to accept a new position out of State. He wished him well with his new endeavors and noted that Mr. DeGraw would be greatly missed. Under the Airport portion of the meeting, he said, an update was provided on the arrival of the new fire truck and snow blower and the November Committee meeting would be held at the Airport to view the new equipment. Mr. Belden advised that the Parks, Recreation & Railroad portion of the meeting consisted mainly of housekeeping issues. He informed that a donation was made to Up Yonda Farm in the amount of \$1,800 from a resident of the Town of Bolton which was greatly appreciated. He announced that the Stony Creek platform for the railroad should be completed in early September and the project remained under budget. Mr. Belden thanked the DPW, Highway Department and Mr. Tennyson for all of their assistance during the recent storms and their quick response to the subsequent destruction throughout various towns.

Regarding the Legislative & Rules Committee, Mr. Bentley reported that Resolution Nos. 501 through 503 and 508 were resultant of the meeting and he listed them as follows: Resolution No. 501, Resolution Requesting Federal and State Priority Funding for the Eradication of Asian Clams in Lake George; Resolution No. 502, Resolution Requesting that the State Legislature Amend Real Property Tax Law of the State of New York Regarding the Order in Which Liens Must be Redeemed to Prevent Foreclosure Upon Real Property and the Requirement that All Delinquent Taxes be Included in Tax Payment Installment Agreements; Resolution No. 503, Supporting Suffolk County's Request that the New York State Legislature Take Action to Reform the Funding Policy for the New York State Common Retirement Fund; and Resolution No. 508, Introducing Proposed Local Law No. 9 of 2011 and Authorizing Public Hearing Thereon in Relation to Preventing the Spread of Aquatic Invasive Species in Warren County.

In connection with the Tourism Committee, Mr. Merlino apprised Resolution Nos. 456 through 458 were generated at the meeting and he outlined them as follows: Resolution No. 456, Authorizing Agreement with Benchmark Printing, Inc. for Printing of the 2011-2012 Winter Events Brochure for the Tourism Department; Resolution No. 457, Authorizing Agreement with Benchmark Printing, Inc. for Printing of the 2012 Group Tour Planner for the Tourism Department; and Resolution No. 458, Awarding Bid and Authorizing Agreement with Kenyon Press, Inc. for Printing of the 2012 Warren County Travel Guide (WC 44-11) for the Tourism Department.

With regard to the Human Services Committee, Mr. Strainer informed that under the Employment & Training Administration (ETA) portion of the meeting, Resolution No. 476 was generated which authorized an agreement with the Washington-Saratoga-Warren-Hamilton-Essex Board of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) to provide GED/Basic Skills Educational Services for the WIA Youth Employment Program. He added that Resolution No. 480 would authorize the Director of the Office for the Aging to fill the vacant position of Meal Site Manager #2 due to the inability to return after one year of cumulative leave. He mentioned the ETA Youth Summer Picnic and thanked the Supervisors that attended, as well as Joan Sady, Clerk of the Board; JoAnn McKinstry, Assistant to the County Administrator; Kate Hogan, District Attorney; and Sheriff York for their attendance.

Mr. Champagne referred to Resolution No. 459 which would adopt and approve the Adirondack Community College Budget and he requested the board members support of that resolution.

Relative to the Public Safety Committee, Mr. VanNess expounded that lengthy discussions were held concerning the part-time Account Clerk in the Office of Emergency Services (OES) and the need to increase the position to full time. He noted Resolution No. 504 included in the packets outlined the increase in hours for the Account Clerk. He remarked that an update was provided on the FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency) funding

for the damage and work being performed subsequent to the recent storms. Under the Sheriff & Communications portion of the meeting, he continued, the Committee approved the requests to fill two vacant Correction Officer positions, which was reflected in Resolution No. 484, as well as a Patrol Officer and Patrol Sergeant as was outlined in Resolution No. 505. Mr. VanNess stated that the Fire Prevention & Building Code Enforcement Office had reported that as of June there was an increase of 17% in permits issued and a 19% increase in revenues compared to last year. He noted that a review continued relative to the fees charged for fire inspections.

Pertaining to the Health Services Committee, Mr. Sokol apprised the Committee reviewed the 2010 Financial Report for Westmount Health Facility. He informed that the Facility recently received \$1.5 million from Medicaid that was due to the County in 2009 and \$1.6 million was secured for the IGT (Intergovernmental Transfer) Funds that should be received this fall.

Regarding the Finance Committee meeting, Mr. Thomas asserted Resolution Nos. 454, 455 and 494 through 500 were resultant of the meeting and he listed them as follows: Resolution No. 454, Making Supplemental Appropriations; Resolution No. 455, Amending Warren County Budget for 2011 for Various Departments within Warren County; Resolution No. 494, Amending Resolution No. 295 of 2011; Increasing Amount of Retainer Agreement with Thorp, Reed & Armstrong, LLP for Attorney Services Concerning STB Filings and Federal Rule Review Related to the Railroad Operator Contract; Resolution No. 495, Amending Resolution No. 214 of 2011; Shortening the Term of the Lease Agreement with New England Police Vehicle Leasing Corp. for the Lease of Two (2) 2010 Harley Davidson Motorcycles in Connection with the Sheriff's Office; Resolution No. 496, Authorizing the Settlement Negotiations of Several Pharmaceutical Litigation Matters; Resolution No. 497, Terminating Agreement with New World Systems Corporation for Software Maintenance at the Sheriff's Office; Resolution No. 498, Increasing Capital Project No. H277.9550 280 CR51/CR6 Beach Road Reconstruction; Authorizing Transfer of Funds and Amending Warren County Budget for 2011; Resolution No. 499, Authorizing the Submission of a No-Cost Time Extension of the New York State Office of Homeland Security for the 2008 State Law Enforcement Prevention Program; and Resolution No. 500, Authorizing a Supplemental Agreement to the Warren County Police Supervisors Benevolent Association Collective Bargaining Agreement. Mr. Thomas announced that the Contingent Fund balance prior to the Finance Committee meeting was \$189,000 and following the meeting and approval of Contingent Fund transfer requests, the balance was now \$151,771. He noted that the Lake George Asian Clam Task Force provided a presentation and update to the Committee and subsequently, the Committee referred a request to the Occupancy Tax Coordination Committee for additional funding. He concluded that Julie Pacyna, Purchasing Agent, had provided information to the Committee that reflected a savings of approximately \$92,000 since 2007 in annual office supply expenses and he congratulated Mrs. Pacyna for her work.

Mrs. Wood expressed her support of the Lake George Asian Clam Task Force and the steps that the County was taking to assist in the eradication of the invasive species. She noted that FEMA recently toured the Town of Thurman again and had discovered additional damages. She thanked Mr. Tennyson for advocating for the Town of Thurman when in discussions with Congressman Gibson's Office regarding the storm issues. She also congratulated Mr. Tennyson for being recognized as a "20 under 40" nominee in *The Post Star* and added that Mr. Tennyson was a great asset to the County. Chairman Stec echoed Mrs. Woods comments with regard to Mr. Tennyson.

In connection with the Budget Committee, Mr. Geraghty advised the budget process was going well and they were half way through the meetings. He acknowledged the Real Property Tax Services Committee for their diligence during the Last Chance meeting and for extending every possible avenue of assistance to their constituents throughout the County that were enduring hardships.

Concerning the Personnel Committee, Mr. Conover remarked that Resolution Nos. 478 through 486 and 491 were generated from the meeting, as well as Resolution Nos. 504 through 506 which were resultant of the meeting held earlier this morning, as discussed by Mr. VanNess. The majority of the resolutions, he continued, authorized the filling of vacant positions in various departments.

Mr. Monroe informed that at the recent Adirondack Park Agency (APA) meeting, discussions were held concerning the Asian Clam and the need for funding to assist in the eradication of such. Relative to the Gaslight Village Ad Hoc Committee, he stated the Gaslight Village Project Management Executive Committee continued to meet and guide the design of the project. Following the meeting of the Gaslight Village Ad Hoc Committee this morning, he said that the Committee approved the following: moving the Festival Space to a more central location on the property; the conceptual design of the project; and authorizing the County to join the Village of Lake George in the submission of grant applications to the Environmental Protection Fund (EPF). Mr. Monroe mentioned a decision that was reached recently concerning Lows Lake which was located in Hamilton and St. Lawrence Counties. He further explained that Lows Lake was a large, man-made lake, consisting of two concrete dams and a large Boy Scout Camp was located on the lake, as well as some privately owned property. He asserted that the Adirondack Mountain Club and Protect the Adirondacks, which were two environmental groups, had recently sued the APA and argued that the APA was required to classify these water bodies as wilderness. He opined that the APA should appeal that decision.

Motion was made by Mr. Monroe, seconded by Mr. Bentley and carried unanimously to waive the rules of the board requiring a resolution be in writing. Clerk noted it would be Resolution No. 509 of 2011 for the record.

Motion was made by Mr. Monroe, seconded by Mr. Bentley and carried unanimously to urge the Adirondack Park Agency (APA) to appeal the decision that Lows Lake should be classified as wilderness. Clerk added it would be Resolution No. 510 of 2011 for the record.

Returning to reports by Committee Chairmen on past month's activities or meetings, Mr. Girard reported on the Extension Service Committee, and announced that Cornell Cooperative Extension would be hosting their Annual Golf Tournament on August 27, 2011 at 10:00 a.m., and donations were still being accepted. He questioned the status of consolidating dispatch services with the City of Glens Falls and Mr. Dusek responded that discussions had been held relative to legal language contained in the Civil Service Law that appeared to prevent certain things regarding seniority benefits. Since that time however, he continued, he had been in communication with the attorneys for the Civil Service Department of New York State; as a result, the attorneys had pointed out their interpretation of that section of law which would be favorable in terms of accomplishing what the County and City desired. He opined that the matter should be resolved during the month of September.

Mr. Girard recalled that the County loaned a piece of equipment to the City of Glens Falls to perform mowing and he advised the City had procured the necessary equipment due to the understanding that the County DPW was low on resources because of the recent storms throughout the County.

With regard to the Economic Growth & Development Committee, Mr. Taylor said that the Committee received an update on a recent retreat that was held by the Warren County Economic Development Corporation (EDC) which was attended by businesses in the private sector that were committed to making economic development vibrant in Warren County. He added that they focused on developing initiatives that would create private sector investment, a well planned customer retention plan and plans for compiling data from existing businesses to help EDC develop the necessary tools to bring new growth to the area.

Mr. Taylor apprised that the Support Services Committee met and reviewed the Self-Insurance Budget, which he noted was a separate budget from the County budget. He reported that the assessments to the towns for Workers Compensation for 2010 would be approximately \$1,182,000. He stated that a recommendation had been made to utilize 25% of the Fund Balance for the County's match, as opposed to the 50% that was used last year.

In connection with the Social Services Committee, Mr. Loeb informed that the Social Services portion of the meeting consisted of several requests for training. He added that the Youth Court received the necessary funding to continue the program for the remainder of the year. Under the Countryside Adult Home, he continued, discussions were focused on the future of the facility. He noted Resolution No. 474 included in the packets, authorized the facility to provide adult social day care services for up to six people. Mr. Loeb announced that Countryside Adult Home would be hosting their Annual Family Picnic on September 11, 2011 and he invited all Supervisors to attend.

Pertaining to the Occupancy Tax Coordination Committee, Mr. Kenny expounded that the Committee addressed the return of \$5,100 that was previously awarded in Special Events Funding and decided to expend those funds as follows: \$3,100 to the Special Olympics Event in the City of Glens Falls; and \$2,000 to the Adirondack Race Management Three Day Triathlon in Lake George. Mr. Kenny advised that an additional Occupancy Tax Coordination meeting had been held to discuss the proposed use of Occupancy Tax Reserve Funds to assist with the effort to eradicate the Asian Clam infestation in Lake George and the Committee approved the utilization of \$100,000 of the Reserve Fund to lead the effort, as outlined in Resolution No. 493 in the packets.

Chairman Stec introduced Martin Auffredou, the newly appointed County Attorney who was at the meeting today. Mr. Auffredou said he was looking forward to beginning his duties as the new County Attorney. He stated it was a privilege and an honor to be selected as the County Attorney and he thanked the Board of Supervisors for the opportunity.

Chairman Stec announced the next item on the Agenda was a report by Mr. Dusek. Mr. Dusek informed that he had submitted his letter of resignation as County Attorney, with a proposed date of September 26, 2011. The second item to report on, he said, concerned Resolution No. 508 in the packets, which introduced Local Law No. 9 of 2011, relative to preventing the spread of aquatic invasive species in Warren County. He asserted that in the Law, it provided for enforcement and any violation of the provisions of the Law would lead to conviction of a violation and subjected to a fine not to exceed \$250 or imprisonment not to exceed fifteen days, or both. He explained that he made the Law effective after ninety days following the filing of the Law with the Department of State, in order to allow for a period of public education before fines and penalties began. He deferred to the board members to determine whether or not the ninety days was necessary.

Mr. Loeb opined this was a serious issue and waiting ninety days would only allow more time for more invasive species to be introduced into the Lake. Mr. Kenny expressed his concern with the imprisonment portion of the Law and noted his support of increasing the fine. Mr. Monroe suggested that it become effective immediately with soft enforcement for ninety days. Mr. McCoy apprised that the \$250 fine was too light and he agreed with Mr. Kenny's suggestion of removing the imprisonment portion of it. Mr. Bentley stated that the Law should become effective immediately and he suggested that the fine for the first offense should be \$10,000. Mr. Conover expressed his opinion that the penalty needed to be strong enough in order to deter people from bringing an invasive species to the Lake. Mr. Goodspeed added that there were varying levels of culpability in a situation like this and he recommended that a minimum and maximum be set for the fine, such as \$500 minimum and \$10,000 maximum; thereby providing a fair amount of judicial and prosecutorial latitude in determining the level of offense. Mr. Monroe opined that he supported a minimum and maximum fine being included; however, he noted, he would support a maximum fine of \$5,000 not \$10,000 and Mr. Taylor agreed.

Motion was made by Mr. VanNess, seconded by Mr. McCoy and carried by majority vote, with Mr. Kenny voting in opposition, to amend Resolution No. 508, Local Law No. 9 of 2011, Section 6., to reflect that the fine shall be a minimum of \$500 and a maximum of \$5,000; and Section 9., to state that the Local Law shall take effect immediately upon filing in the Office of the Secretary of State.

Mr. Dusek referenced Resolution No. 507 included in the Supervisors packets, relative to a snowmobile trail to be included in the New York State Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation Snowmobile Trail Grant-in-Aid Program, which would make the trail eligible for maintenance and operation grant funds. He advised that a State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) review was necessary and he requested Mr. Tennyson to review the necessary documentation with the board members.

Mr. Tennyson explained that this was an existing trail that was established last year and connected Warren County to the Washington County trail system. He reviewed the project description and noted that the amount of land affected was approximately 8.68 miles of a ten foot wide trail. He advised that the proposed action would comply with existing zoning or other restrictions. He stated that the present land use in vicinity of the project was Park/Forest/Open Space. Mr. Tennyson said Item 10 which questioned whether the action involved a permit approval, or funding, now or ultimately from any other governmental agency and explained the answer would be no. He added that Item 11 which questioned if any aspect of the action currently had a valid permit or approval and he said the answer would be no. Item 12, he continued, asked if as a result of the proposed action, would an existing permit/approval require modification, and asserted the answer would be no. Mr. Tennyson reviewed Part II- Impact Assessment, and he expounded all answers would be no based on the responses of the board members.

Chairman Stec called for reading of communications.

Clerk read communications, including the following:

Minutes from:

Warren County Planning Board;  
Warren/Washington Counties IDA and Executive/Park Committee.

Monthly Reports from:

Weights & Measures;  
Probation.

Annual Reports from:

Warren County Health Services;  
Westmount Health Facility.

Capital District Regional Off-Track Betting Corporation, May 31, 2011 Financial Report and June Surcharge in the amount of \$8,157.

Office of the New York State Comptroller, Audit Report for Warren County for period from January 1, 2008 - September 30, 2010.

Warren/Washington Counties Industrial Development Agency, correspondence advising of the resignation of Board Member Jerold Quintal.

Letter from Paul B. Dusek, County Attorney/Administrator, advising of his resignation as County Attorney effective September 26, 2011.

Communications, resolutions and reports ordered placed on file.

Chairman Stec called for reading of resolutions and discussion.

Mrs. Sady advised that Resolution Nos. 455 through 502 were mailed. She noted that Resolution No. 492 was mailed and had been corrected. She stated a motion was needed to approve Resolution No. 492 as corrected.

Motion was made by Mr. Belden, seconded by Mr. Goodspeed and carried unanimously to approve Resolution No. 492 as corrected.

Mrs. Sady added that the resolutions relating to the filling of vacant positions were Resolution Nos. 479 through 486, 505 and 506; and unless a roll call vote was requested, all would be approved in the collective vote.

Mrs. Sady announced a motion was needed to bring Resolution Nos. 454 and 503 through 508 to the floor. Motion was made by Mr. Bentley, seconded by Mr. Goodspeed and carried unanimously to bring Resolution Nos. 454 and 503 through 508 to the floor.

Chairman Stec called for a vote on the resolutions.

Mr. Kenny requested roll call votes on Resolution No. 459, Adopting and Approving Adirondack Community College Budget; Resolution No. 494, Amending Resolution No. 295 of 2011; Increasing Amount of Retainer Agreement with Thorp, Reed & Armstrong, LLP for Attorney Services Concerning STB Filings and Federal Rule Review Related to the Railroad Operator Contract; and Resolution No. 505, Authorizing the Warren County Sheriff to Fill Vacant Positions.

Mr. Strainer requested clarification on Resolution No. 502, Resolution Requesting That the State Legislature Amend the Real Property Tax Law of the State of New York Regarding the Order in Which Liens Must be Redeemed to Prevent Foreclosure Upon Real Property and

the Requirement That All Delinquent Taxes Be Included in Tax Payment Installment Agreements. Mr. Dusek responded that this would just defer foreclosure for one year. Mr. Strainer expressed his concern with this modification to the Real Property Tax Law.

Mr. Taylor requested a roll call vote on Resolution No. 490, Introducing Proposed Local Law No. 8 of 2011 and Authorizing Public Hearing Thereon.

Mr. Girard requested a roll call vote on Resolution No. 506, Appointing Martin Auffredou as Warren County Attorney.

Chairman Stec apprised that a motion to waive the rules of the board was necessary in order to introduce the resolutions that were approved earlier at the Gaslight Village Ad Hoc Committee.

Motion was made by Mr. Monroe, seconded by Mr. Belden and carried unanimously to waive the rules of the board requiring a resolution be in writing. Clerk noted it would be Resolution No. 511 of 2011 for the record.

Motion was made by Mr. Monroe, seconded by Mr. Belden and carried unanimously to approve the relocation of the Festival Space on the former Gaslight Village property to a more central location on the north parcel. Clerk added it would be Resolution No. 512 of 2011 for the record.

Motion was made by Mr. Monroe, seconded by Mr. Merlino and carried unanimously to approve the conceptual design of the Westbrook Stormwater Project and Festival Space area as presented by the Elan Planning Group. Clerk stated it would be Resolution No. 513 of 2011 for the record.

Motion was made by Mr. Monroe, seconded by Mr. Belden and carried unanimously to authorize Elan Planning Group to submit an application to the EPF (Environmental Protection Fund) for grant funding with the source of funding for the local share to be revenue generated from the parking fees, with the Village contributing their proportionate share, subject to approval by the County Attorney. Clerk said it would be Resolution No. 514 of 2011 for the record.

Resolution Nos. 454 through 514 were approved.

Chairman Stec announced that a Property Tax Cap Seminar would be held on August 25, 2011 in Plattsburgh and any Supervisors that were interested in attending should contact Mrs. Sady.

Mr. Goodspeed thanked Mr. Dusek for his dedication over the years as the County Attorney and the board members responded with applause.

Mr. Dusek advised an executive session was needed to discuss matters leading to the discipline or possible termination of a particular person. Motion was made by Mr. Belden, seconded by Mr. McCoy and carried unanimously that executive session be declared pursuant to Section 105 (f) of the Public Officers Law.

Executive session was declared from 12:20 p.m. to 1:12 p.m.

The board reconvened. Pursuant to the executive session, motion was made by Mr. Loeb, seconded by Mrs. Wood and carried unanimously to authorize a resolution regarding Administrative Leave of the Commissioner of Social Services and authorizing the designation of a Hearing Officer to hear and report on employment related charges. Clerk noted it would be Resolution No. 515 of 2011 for the record.

There being no further business, on motion made by Mr. Belden and seconded by Mr. Bentley, Chairman Stec adjourned the meeting at 1:15 p.m.