

Minutes
Audit & Control Committee
September 21, 2023, 8:35 a.m., Legislative Chambers
Livestreamed on YouTube
Gerace Office Building, Mayville, NY

Members Present: Pavlock, Wilfong and Chagnon

Members Absent: Niebel, Harmon and Scudder

Others: Lee, Swan, Slagle, Rothwell, Makowski, Golden, Rodgers, A. Gustafson, Walsh, Guttman, Spanos, Card, Meleen, Peters, Crow, Ihrig, McCoy, Faulk, Quattrone and Corwin

Complete video of meeting can be viewed on YouTube

Chairman Pavlock called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m.

Approval of Minutes (8/17/23)

MOVED by Legislator Wilfong, SECONDED by Legislator Chagnon.

Unanimously Carried

Privilege of the Floor

Hi my name is Ida Golden and I'm a Chautauqua County resident and I'm here today because last night I watched the health committee meeting and I was pretty disturbed about what I heard. So I'm here speaking about proposal #11 on your agenda, Authorize Acceptance of Aging and Disability Vaccination Collaborative Funding for Chautauqua County. Some of you may not know about this already because maybe it's the first time you're hearing about it so this is the \$286,000 grant. It will incentivize COVID and vax flu shots against minority populations of all ages. 2,500 shots is the goal. Coercing people with \$25 gift cards to local businesses. I had hope that the health committee body would have recognized this resolution for its ethical void. The committee acknowledged that people can get these shots for free if they wanted them and \$25 may be the push needed for low income people to do the right thing. One legislator remarked, whatever works. Using coercion targeting the needs of individuals is a total disregard for their dignity. The health networks will be targeting towards disabled and minority populations. These are known low income groups. They mention that Chautauqua (*inaudible*) believes coercion would tip the scales for this segment of the population to get vaxed. Besides the ethical aspects of this resolution, it's a horrible waste of money. We are a Nation with 33 trillion dollars in debt. By voting for this resolution such as this one, you will be contributing to that debt. If people want those shots, they would have gotten them and it is past time, this spending spree ends. I don't know how it's legal to coerce vulnerable individuals and the other issue is how are they determining where these gift cards come from and what safeguards will be in place against kickbacks and money laundering? And that's what I have to say today. I hope

that you consider this and by not voting this resolution through. The spending has to end, it just needs to end. Thank you.

Proposed Resolution – Authorize Purchase of Real Property in the Town of Chautauqua –
*Presented by Thomas Walsh, Director of South & Center Chautauqua
Lake Sewer Districts*

Unanimously Carried

Proposed Resolution – Authorize Agreement with County of Cattaraugus to Extend Term of
the Conewango Watershed Commission – *Presented by Drew Rodgers,
Engineer with DPF and Tim Card, DPF Director*

Unanimously Carried

Proposed Resolution – Amend 2023 Budget for Tenant Work for Jury Room Alterations in
the Chautauqua County Courthouse – *Presented by Josh Rothwell,
Assistant Deputy Director of Public Facilities and Tim Card, DPF
Director*

Unanimously Carried

Proposed Resolution – Amend 2023 Budget to Implement the Gerace Office Building
Carpet Tiles Project, Using Funding from the American Rescue Plan
Act (ARPA) – *Presented by Josh Rothwell, Assistant Deputy Director of
Public Facilities and Tim Card, DPF Director*

Unanimously Carried

Proposed Resolution – Adjust Capital Project Accounts-Road Machinery – *Presented by Josh
Rothwell, Assistant Deputy Director of Public Facilities and Tim Card,
DPF Director*

Unanimously Carried

Proposed Resolution – Authorize Agreement for Purchase and Removal of County Owned
Timber from the Dinsbier Landfill Property on Dinsbier Rd. in the
Town of Chautauqua – *Presented by Drew Rodgers, Engineer with DPF
and Tim Card, DPF Director*

Unanimously Carried

Proposed Resolution – Quit Claim Deeds – *Presented by Kim Meleen, Real Property Tax
Director*

Unanimously Carried

Proposed Resolution – Authorize Agreement with Town of Hanover for Enhanced Police Protection Services FY24 – *Presented by Jim Quattrone, Sheriff*

Unanimously Carried

Proposed Resolution – Amend 2023 Emergency Services Budget for FY2019 Hazard Materials Grant Program (HM19) – *Presented by Noel Guttman, Director of Emergency Services and Bonnie Peters, Emergency Services Account Clerk*

Unanimously Carried

Proposed Resolution – Amend 2023 Emergency Services Budget for FY2020 SHSP Grant Expenses – *Presented by Noel Guttman, Director of Emergency Services and Bonnie Peters, Emergency Services Account Clerk*

Unanimously Carried

Proposed Resolution – Authorize Acceptance of Aging and Disability Vaccination Collaborative Funding for Chautauqua County – *Presented by MaryAnn Spanos, Director of Chautauqua County Office for Aging Services, Dana Corwin, Deputy Director of Office for the Aging Services and Dr. Michael Faulk, Chief Medical Officer for Chautauqua County/Interim Public Health Director*

Unanimously Carried

Proposed Resolution – Lake Erie Management Commission Authorization to Approve and Fund Projects – *Presented by Dave McCoy, Chautauqua County Watershed Coordinator*

Unanimously Carried

Proposed Resolution – Environmental Assessment of Projects for 2024 2% Occupancy Tax Grant Program – *Presented by Dave McCoy, Chautauqua County Watershed Coordinator*

Unanimously Carried

Proposed Resolution – Authorize Clerk of the Legislature to Publish Notices – Re: Public Hearings on 2024 Tentative Budget & Maximum Salary of Members of the Chautauqua County Legislature and its Chairman –

*Presented by Olivia Lee, Clerk of the Legislature and Pierre Chagnon,
Chairman of the Legislature*

Unanimously Carried

Late Proposed Resolution – Amend Chautauqua County Department of Mental Hygiene and Social Services 2023 Budget for Increased Services for Recipients Costs – *Presented by Samuel Zafuto, Fiscal Supervisor of Social Services and the Health Department*

Unanimously Carried

Late Proposed Resolution – Amend Chautauqua County Department of Mental Hygiene and Social Services 2023 Budget for Increased Emergency Aid for Adults Costs – *Presented by Samuel Zafuto, Fiscal Supervisor of Social Services and the Health Department*

Unanimously Carried

Discussion – Coroner Update – *Presented by Dr. Michael Faulk, Chief Medical Officer for Chautauqua County/Interim Public Health Director*

MOVED by Legislator Wilfong, SECONDED by Legislator Chagnon to adjourn.
Unanimously Carried (10:10 a.m.)

Respectfully submitted and transcribed,
Olivia Lee, Clerk of the Legislature/Kristi R. Zink, Deputy Clerk