

**General Services Committee**  
**October 8, 2013**  
**Minutes**

**Members Present:** Committee Chairman Philip Reed, Legislators Michael Astafan, Michael Behling, Robert Ferris, Scott Gray, Jennie Adsit, Anthony Doldo, Chairwoman Carolyn Fitzpatrick

**Others Present:** Legislators Michael Docteur, Robert Thomas, Allen Drake, John Peck, Deputy Administrator Michael Kaskan, County Attorney David Paulsen, Undersheriff Paul Trudeau, Highway Superintendent James Lawrence, Treasurer Accountant Anne Converse, Watertown Daily Times Reporter Daniel Flatley, Secretary Torri Richmire

Chairman Reed called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. and offered privilege of the floor. The minutes of the September meeting were approved without objection or correction.

Chairman Reed introduced a resolution authorizing agreement with the NYS Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services in Relation to the Federal Domestic Preparedness Equipment Program and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Adsit and seconded by Legislator Ferris. There being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Reed introduced a resolution authorizing an agreement with Drs. Danser & Knudsen for the provision of Psychological Evaluation and Testing of Children at Risk of Out of Home Placement and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Behling and seconded by Legislator Astafan. There being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Reed introduced a resolution authorizing an agreement with Insights Forensic Counseling, Inc. for the provision of Psychological Testing, Evaluation and Recommendations for Treatment of JDs, PINS at Risk of Out of Home Placement, and Adult Sexual Offenders and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Doldo and seconded by Legislator Adsit. There being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Reed introduced a resolution authorizing agreement with Jefferson County Children's Home for the Provision of Non-Secure Detention Services and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Gray and seconded by Legislator Ferris. There being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Reed introduced a resolution amending the 2013 County Budget in relation to Road Machinery Fund and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Astafan and seconded by Legislator Adsit. Highway Superintendent James Lawrence advised the committee that once equipment has exhausted its usefulness they either trade in or sell



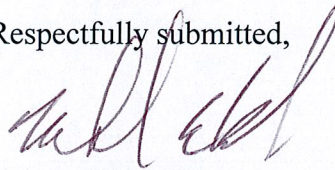
the piece of equipment. He stated that they sold five pieces of equipment at auction and are putting that revenue towards the purchase of equipment this year that was to be in the 2014 budget request. He stated that the resolution looks like they are requesting additional equipment when in actuality they are down 21 pieces of highway equipment compared to 2003.

In response to a question from Legislator Gray, Mr. Lawrence stated that the \$30,000 for automotive equipment is for the purchase of a sport utility vehicle to replace an older high mileage model that will be passed on and used by the sign crew. There being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Deputy Administrator Michael Kaskan advised that on each Legislator's desk is an updated draft of the Local Law requested by the Development Authority of the North Country to control solid waste. He stated that the local law is getting close but he wanted everyone to get a chance to review it before it is introduced to the committee. He stated that one difference from the 1991 law is that the insurance requirements will be set by the board instead of being written into the local law and that regulations can be changed at any time by the board. He said that he will send out a summary of the changes that have been made within the next couple days to board members and that the local law will be introduced next month.

There being no further business, on a motion by Legislator Doldo seconded by Legislator Adsit and unanimously carried, the meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Michael E. Kaskan", written in a cursive style.

Michael E. Kaskan  
Deputy Clerk of the Board