Third Special Meeting February 18, 2021

The Third Special Meeting of 2021 was held on February 18, 2021 and was called to order by the Chair at 10:06 A.M. with Legislators Monell, Mullen, and Standinger being absent.

Chair Sauerbrey asked for a moment of prayer. "Lord, we ask you to bless us this day and guide us in our decision-making, as we make decisions for all the citizens of Tioga County. We ask for protection on the roads as people travel. We pray for healing of the COVID-19 virus."

Chair Sauerbrey led all Legislators and those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

There were ten people in attendance.

Legislator Roberts moved for the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Legislator Sullivan.

REFERRED TO: LEGISLATIVE WORKSESSION

RESOLUTION NO. 62–21 ADOPT LOCAL LAW NO. 2 OF 2021

WHEREAS: A public hearing was held on February 9, 2021, following due notice thereof to consider the adoption of Local Law Introductory No. B of 2021 of the Year 2021 A Local Law establishing the salary for the Office of County Treasurer for the four-year term of office commencing January 1, 2022 and continuing through and including December 31, 2025; and

WHEREAS: It is in the best interests of the residents of Tioga County to adopt such Local Law which will be Local Law No. 2 of 2021; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the following Local Law be and hereby is adopted:

County of Tioga

Local Law No. 2 of the Year 2021.

A Local Law establishing the salary for the Office of County Treasurer for the four-year term of office commencing January 1, 2022 and continuing through and including December 31, 2025.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the County of Tioga as follows:

SECTION 1: PURPOSE

As set forth at Local Law No. 3 of 2003, the annual salary for the elected public office of County Treasurer shall not be increased during a term of office.

Accordingly, it is the purpose and intent of this Local Law to establish the salary for Office of County Treasurer for the four-year term of office commencing January 1, 2022 and continuing through and including December 31, 2025.

SECTION 2: ANNUAL SALARY

A) The annual salary for the Office of County Treasurer for the term of office beginning January 1, 2022 and continuing through and including December 31, 2025 is hereby established as follows:

1. County Treasurer

\$73,087

SECTION 3: SEVERABILITY

If any clause, sentence, phrase, paragraph, subdivision, section, rule or part of this ordinance shall be adjudged by any Court or Agency of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, phrase, paragraph, subdivision, section, rule or part thereof directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment shall have been rendered.

SECTION 4: EFFECTIVE DATE

This Local law shall take effect January 1, 2022.

And be it further

RESOLVED: That the Clerk of the Legislature be and hereby is directed, pursuant to Local Law No. 4 of 1992, to cause to be published in the official newspapers of the County of Tioga a synopsis of such Local Law, such synopsis to be within ten days after adoption of the Local Law; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the Clerk of the Legislature be and hereby is directed within five days after adoption of such Local Law to cause the Local Law to be filed as required by the Municipal Home Rule Law Section 27.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Yes – Legislators Sauerbrey, Roberts, Sullivan, Weston, Balliet, and Hollenbeck.

No - None.

Absent – Legislators Monell, Mullen, and Standinger.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

Legislator Roberts moved for the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Legislator Hollenbeck.

REFERRED TO: LEGISLATIVE WORKSESSION

RESOLUTION NO. 63-21 ADOPT TIOGA COUNTY POLICE REFORM &

REINVENTION COLLABORATIVE PLAN

WHEREAS: The Police Reform & Reinvention Collaborative was directed by Governor Cuomo's Executive Order of June 12, 2020; and

WHEREAS: All municipalities in New York State that have police forces are required to participate and submit a written plan by April 1, 2021; and

WHEREAS: If communities to fail to submit a written plan, their funding will be withheld by the NYS Department of Budget; and

WHEREAS: This process was structured, according to the guidelines provided in the New York State Police Reform and Reinvention Collaborative, requiring community input and participation, along with an assessment of policing policies; and

WHEREAS: Tioga County understands that maintaining public safety is extremely important and is one of the essential roles of government. In order to achieve that goal, there must be mutual trust and respect between police and the communities they serve; and

WHEREAS: Tioga County has followed the guidelines of the Police Reform & Reinvention Collaborative in the following ways:

- Reviewed the needs of the community served by the Tioga County Sheriff's Office and evaluated the Department's current policies and practices.
- Established and evaluated policies that allow police to safely perform their duties.

- Involved the entire community in the discussion by way of a public survey distributed on November 23, 2020 and hosted a community-wide conversation on January 27, 2021.
- Comments and recommendations were received from the public.

And

WHEREAS: The Tioga County Legislature has read, reviewed, and agreed with the information presented in the Plan; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Tioga County Legislature accepts and adopts the Tioga County Sheriff Police Reform & Reinvention Collaborative Plan; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the Tioga County Legislature, upon adoption of this resolution, will send the Tioga County Sheriff Police Reform & Reinvention Collaborative Plan to the New York State Department of Budget by the established deadline for full compliance.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Yes – Legislators Sauerbrey, Roberts, Sullivan, Weston, Balliet, and Hollenbeck.

No - None.

Absent – Legislators Monell, Mullen, and Standinger.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

Legislator Roberts moved for the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Legislator Sullivan.

REFERRED TO: FINANCE/LEGAL COMMITTEE

LEGISLATIVE WORKSESSION

RESOLUTION NO. 64-21 ESTABLISH AND FUND E911RESERVE FROM

LOCAL LAW NO. 3 OF 2017 AND

LOCAL LAW NO. 1 OF 1991

WHEREAS: Tioga County adopted Local Law No. 1 of 1991 which imposed a monthly local surcharge per access line for an enhanced emergency telephone system; and

WHEREAS: Tioga County adopted Local Law No. 3 of 2017 which imposed a monthly wireless communication surcharge per wireless device in service; and

WHEREAS: Local Law No. 1 of 1991 and Local Law No. 3 of 2017 restrict the use of such funds as required by Article 6 of the County Law and section 186-g of the Tax Law and further requires Legislative approval to expend these funds collected from line and wireless surcharges; and

WHEREAS: The County desires to place future wired and wireless surcharge funds into a E911 Reserve account and presently fund this account with the balance of unexpended surcharge funds from 2012 to present; therefore be it

RESOLVED: The E911 Reserve is hereby established and funded through a transfer of unexpended funds as follows:

FROM: A 390900 Fund Balance Unrestricted \$1,475,160.30

TO: A 388903 Reserve for E911 \$1,475,160.30

ROLL CALL VOTE

Yes – Legislators Sauerbrey, Roberts, Sullivan, Weston, Balliet, and Hollenbeck.

No - None.

Absent – Legislators Monell, Mullen, and Standinger.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:09 A.M.