THIRD DAY
ANNUAL SESSION
December 1, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 5:02 p.m. by the Chairman of the Board Lawrence Dolhof.

Roll Call: All Legislators were present virtually. There were 9 additional persons present virtually.

Chairman Dolhof declared the November 19, 2020 meeting minutes approved by general consent.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE AND RULES COMMITTEE:

The Finance and Rules Committee had met and recommended to waive the rules to allow action on late resolutions.

Signed by: Thomas Osborne
          Ronald Burns
          Ian Gilbert
          Gregory Kulzer
          Phil Hathway

Dated: December 1, 2020

Legislator Hathway made a motion to waive the rules, seconded by Legislator Kulzer, and carried.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

At 5:05 p.m. Chairman Dolhof opened the public hearings on “A Local Law Rescinding Local Law No. 6-2020 to Override the Tax Levy Limit Established by General Municipal Law § 3-C (A/K/A 2% Tax Cap) for the Lewis County 2021 Budget” and the “Proposed Jefferson/Lewis County LED Lighting Upgrade Plan Pursuant to a NYS County-Wide Shared Services Initiative (CWSSI)” for comment.

County Manger Ryan Piche asked Planning Director Casandra Buell to give a brief explanation of the NYS County-Wide Shared Services Initiative. Casandra stated that there were 12 communities in Lewis County & Jefferson County areas that are participating in the NYPA LED Upgrade program to achieve substantial savings, and through the NYS County-Wide Shared Services Initiative there is a potential for these communities to receive a match on the savings received. Any savings that are proven through this upgrade New York State will match. The Shared Services plan needs to be submitted by December 31, 2020 to the state in order to “open” the door for the communities to move forward and complete the upgrade. The upgrade has to be completed in 2021 and the savings need to be proven in that time period as well for the match from New York State.
Mickey Dietrich stated that there was a Shared Services grant applied for and awarded to these communities to cover the cost of the asset management node which gives the LED lights the capability to add Smart City Technology to them. NYPA is proving a $20,000 no match grant to each community to go towards Smart City Technology also. Chairman Dolhof clarified that the Tug Hill Commission will help guide these communities through the application process.

REPORTS OF COUNTY OFFICERS AND DEPARTMENTS:

Legislators received copies of the Treasurer’s November report; the November Highway & Solid Waste audit reports; as well as the minutes of the November Youth Bureau Advisory Board meeting.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

Legislator Osborne asked Information Technology Director Conner Biolsi to give a brief presentation on the phone service bid results. Conner shared a brief presentation on the current phone costs with Frontier and the four bids that were received. The factors that are looked at to determine the overall costs are the PRI (Primary Rate Interface); POT (Plain Old Telephone) or Analog lines; and Internet connections. Current costs are roughly $60,000 a year with Frontier. Verizon didn’t not quote everything that was asked and was higher than current costs. Westelcom came in as the lowest bid at roughly $27,000 a year.

The bid asked for a three-year contract, which currently costs us $180,000. Westelcom is roughly $76,908 which is much lower and offers everything asked for. Our current internet speeds are incredibly slow, Westelcom came in with a great offer of 500 download and upload speeds which was better than any other bid received. Conner recommended accepting the Westelcom bid and moving forward with the contract. Ryan responded to Legislators Gilberts questions about their custom services by explaining that references were contacted and had positive things to say.

Legislator King made a motion to approve separate bid documents for Solid Waste Facility Project and Scale House Project as well as authorize Solid Waste Director Kip Turck to send out the respective RFP’s, seconded by Legislator Osborne and carried.

Legislator King made a motion to authorize District Attorney Leanne Moser to backfill a Keyboard Specialist position due to resignation effective immediately, seconded by Legislator Kulzer and carried. Legislator Gilbert abstained.

Legislator Chartrand made a motion to authorize Public Health Director Ashley Waite to refill a per diem Public Health Nurse position due to resignation effective immediately, seconded by Legislator Osborne and carried.

Legislator Chartrand reported that the Hospital Employee of the Month for October was Teresa Allen, Physical Therapist. Dr. Meny was welcomed as the newest Board of Managers member at the last meeting. There was a loss of $405,209 reported for the hospital but still on target to break even by the end of the year. There are Covid-19 updates happening on a regular
basis at the hospital. Dr. Harney and his team are supporting the testing clinic at Maple Ridge. There is a limited number of Rapid PCR test kits available and Jerry Cayer is working on getting more. Legislator Chartrand concluded by asking people to talk to their neighbors about following the CDC guidelines to help save lives.

Hospital CEO Jerry Cayer reported that he and his staff have been spending most of their time on COVID-19 related items. They are following the guidelines set forth by the Governor to increase bed capacity by 50% so they will be adding 8 beds on the ground floor and 7 beds on the second floor. There has been an uptick in hospitalizations for Covid positive community members and they have also started seeing the results of the Thanksgiving Holiday. There are several individuals who are transitioning from Covid hospitalization to a recovery area which is a positive sign. There is currently no spread of the virus from the nursing home to the rest of the hospital and the census of the nursing home is at 122 with no more admissions being allowed. Jerry commended his team for being the most transparent hospital in the tri county area, noting that the daily briefings help get information out to the public.

COUNTY MANAGER REPORT:

Ryan Piche reported that COVID-19 has been the forefront of daily business in the county and many departments are assisting Public Health. Area schools continue to meet on a bi-weekly basis to stay informed and try and keep school open for as long as possible. They are also being trained on testing procedures in order to test staff and students to follow guidelines given by the Governor. Regional calls continue to be twice a week. The County hosted a Town Hall style conference call which went well, and many public questions were answered. There is now a graph on the county website that shows active cases, hospitalizations, and deaths that will be updated daily instead of a daily press brief.

COUNTY TREASURER REPORT:

Eric Virkler reported that the Sales tax figure hasn’t changed since what had been reported in early November. The Health Insurance Fund is still doing very well as claims have been low this year. Work continues on year end items and closing the books for 2020.

At 5:46 p.m. Chairman Dolhof closed the public hearings with no other comments.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE AND RULES COMMITTEE:
REPORT OF
FINANCE AND RULES COMMITTEE
ON THE EXAMINATION OF CLAIMS

To: The Honorable County Legislators

The Finance and Rules Committee reports that they have examined the claims presented for payment in the total amount of $1,012,806.70 and recommend that they be audited and allowed for the amounts claimed.

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Thomas Osborne                      Chair

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Ronald Burns                        Vice-Chair

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Ian Gilbert                         Committee

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Greg Kulzer                         Committee

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Phil Hathway                        Committee

Dated: December 1, 2020

Approved on motion by Legislator Kulzer, seconded by Legislator King, and carried.
RESOLUTION NO. _311_ – 2020
AUDITING AND ALLOWING CLAIMS

Introduced by Legislator Thomas Osborne, Chair of the Finance & Rules Committee.

RESOLVED that the claims presented for payment in the total amount of $1,012,806.70 be and each is hereby audited and allowed for the amounts claimed, and that the Clerk is authorized and directed to draw checks for the County Treasurer for the amounts claimed, in favor of each of the claimants or their assigns.

Moved by Legislator _Kulzer_, seconded by Legislator _Chartrand_, and adopted on the 1st day of December, 2020 by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Gilbert, Moroughan, Osborne, Hathway, King, Chartrand, Kulzer, Dolhof

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Burns, District 2 Vacancy
RESOLUTION NO. _312_ – 2020
RESOLUTION ADOPTING AND OTHERWISE TREATING
LOCAL LAW NO. 7–2020, COUNTY OF LEWIS

Introduced by Legislator Thomas Osborne, Chairman of the Finance and Rules Committee.

WHEREAS, a resolution was duly adopted by the Board of Legislators on November 19, 2020, directing that a public hearing be held by said Board on December 1, 2020, from 5:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the Second Floor Board Room of the Courthouse, 7660 North State Street, Lowville, New York 13367, to hear all interested parties on a proposed Local Law entitled, “A LOCAL LAW RESCINDING LOCAL LAW NO. 6-2020 TO OVERRIDE THE TAX LEVY LIMIT ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW § 3-C (A/K/A 2% TAX CAP) FOR THE LEWIS COUNTY 2021 BUDGET.” and

WHEREAS, notice of said public hearing was duly advertised in the Watertown Daily Times, the official newspaper designated by the County, on November 24, 2020, and posted on the bulletin board of the Lewis County Courthouse, 7660 North State Street, Lowville, New York, at least five (5) days prior to such public hearing. The notice provided that as a result of temporary restrictions on public gatherings due to COVID-19, the public was directed to submit comments on the proposed Local Law by email or regular mail to the Clerk of the Board on behalf of or in opposition to said proposed Local Law, or any part thereof, on or before December 1, 2020 at 4:00 p.m.; and that the public could access the live meeting by internet on the county’s youtube link: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCPhJsUZRBjY7KSIqQ0ywXkG; and

WHEREAS, the public hearing by the above alternative access methods, was duly held with the Board of Legislators acting after receipt of public comment and information;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

Section 1. This Local Law (Introductory No. 8–2020, County of Lewis), being “A LOCAL LAW RESCINDING LOCAL LAW NO. 6-2020 TO OVERRIDE THE TAX LEVY LIMIT ESTABLISHED BY GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW § 3-C (A/K/A 2% TAX CAP) FOR THE LEWIS COUNTY 2021 BUDGET”, be and the same is hereby designated as Local Law No. 7–2020, County of Lewis.

Section 2. That Local Law No. 7–2020, County of Lewis, with designation stated above, be and the same is hereby enacted, waiving any and all defects and informalities in the adoption thereof and shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.

Moved by Legislator _Hathway_, seconded by Legislator _King_, and adopted on the 1st day of December, 2020 pursuant to the following roll call vote:

AYES: King, Kulzer, Chartrand, Hathway, Gilbert, Moroughan, Osborne, Dolhof

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Burns, District 2 Vacancy
LOCAL LAW (INTRODUCTORY NO. 9-2020)  
COUNTY OF LEWIS

Introduced by Legislator Lawrence L. Dolhof, Chairman of the Board of Legislators.

A LOCAL LAW PROVIDING FOR INCREASES TO SALARIES FOR CERTAIN LOCAL OFFICIALS

BE IT ENACTED by the Board of Legislators of the County of Lewis as follows:

SECTION 1. Commencing and effective January 1, 2021, the Compensation Plan of the County of Lewis shall be amended to provide the following salaries for the following County employees appointed to a fixed term of office, to-wit:

Clerk of the Board $ 55,758
Commissioner, Department of Social Services $ 81,163
County Attorney $113,196
Director of Real Property Tax Service $ 57,395
Director of Human Resources/Personnel Officer $ 83,482
County Manager $101,405

SECTION 2. This Local Law is subject to a permissive referendum and shall take effect forty-five (45) days after the adoption hereof and all legal requirements having been met.
RESOLUTION NO. 313 - 2020
FIXING DATE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON LOCAL LAW
(INTRODUCTORY LOCAL LAW NO. 9 - 2020), COUNTY OF LEWIS

Introduced by Legislator Lawrence L. Dolhof, Chairman of the Board of Legislators.

WHEREAS, a proposed Local Law entitled “A LOCAL LAW PROVIDING FOR INCREASES TO SALARIES FOR CERTAIN LOCAL OFFICIALS” was presented and introduced at a meeting of this Board of Legislators held on December 1, 2020;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

Section 1. That a virtual public hearing (as a result of temporary restrictions on large gatherings due to COVID-19) will be held on December 17, 2020 from 10:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., via the internet. Comments sent via email, mail or hand delivered should be submitted on or before December 17, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. to the Clerk of the Board at cassandramoser@lewiscounty.ny.gov or at 7660 North State Street, Lowville, NY 13367. All comments received will be read into the record prior to any action by the Board on the proposed Local Law.

Section 2. That at least five (5) days notice of such hearing shall be given by the Clerk of this Board by the due posting thereof upon the bulletin board of the Lewis County Court House, Lowville, New York, and by publishing such notice at least once in the official newspaper of the County.

Moved by Legislator Osborne, seconded by Legislator Kulzer, and adopted on the 1st day of December, 2020.
RESOLUTION NO. 314 – 2020
RESOLUTION APPOINTING
LEWIS COUNTY LEGISLATOR
TO FILL DISTRICT NO. 2 VACANCY

Introduced by Legislator Lawrence Dolhof, Chairman of the Board of Legislators.

WHEREAS, the resignation of Legislator Randall L. LaChausse has created a vacancy in the office of Legislator for District No. 2; and

WHEREAS, Local Law No. 5-1980 provides that where a vacancy occurs in any elective office for reasons other than the expiration of the term of office, the Board of Legislators may fill the vacancy by appointing to said office any person qualified under law to hold the office to which he or she is appointed; and

WHEREAS, Local Law No. 5-1980 further provides that the person so appointed to fill a vacancy shall enter upon his or her oath to faithfully discharge the duties of the office to which he or she is appointed until the office is filled by the next succeeding general election to be held on November 2, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Lewis County Board of Legislators conducted interviews of interested and qualified candidates to fill the position and seek to appoint Lisa Virkler as Legislator to fill the unexpired vacancy in Legislative District No. 2;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

Section 1. That the Board of Legislators hereby appoints Lisa Virkler of Beaver Falls, New York 13305 as Legislator to fill the vacancy for District No. 2, effective December 2, 2020 and continuing through and including December 31, 2021.

Section 2. That the office of Legislator for District No. 2 shall thereafter be filled pursuant to the official results of the November 2, 2021 general election.

Section 3. That the within resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator __Hathway__, seconded by Legislator __Chartrand__, and adopted on the 1st day of December, 2020.
RESOLUTION NO. 315 - 2020
RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE “I LOVE NY” CAMPAIGN MATCHING FUNDS AND DESIGNATE LEWIS COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AS THE COUNTY’S AGENT TO SUPERVISE PROMOTION AND MARKETING OF THE CAMPAIGN

Introduced by Legislator Jerry King, Chair of the General Services Committee.

WHEREAS, in order to enhance and promote tourism within New York State, the NY Empire State Development Corporation offers to match local municipality contributions to the “I Love NY” promotional and marketing campaigns; and

WHEREAS, the Lewis County Board of Legislators seeks to authorize and appropriate $40,000.00 in matching funds to demonstrate its commitment to the “I Love NY” promotional campaign for 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Lewis County Board of Legislators seeks to designate the Lewis County Chamber of Commerce as the agent to supervise the promotion and marketing of the “I LOVE NY” campaign, and to market the benefits of Lewis County tourism with utilization of the County’s 2021 matching funds as well as the State’s committed funds; and the Board seeks to enter into an Agreement with the LC Chamber of Commerce to provide such services as the designated agent of the County under this State program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

Section 1. That the Board of Legislators hereby commits to appropriate $40,000.00 in matching local funds toward the 2021 “I LOVE NY” promotional and marketing tourism campaign in Lewis County.

Section 2. That the Board of Legislators hereby designates the Lewis County Chamber of Commerce as the County’s agent to supervise and conduct the promotional and marketing programs for Lewis County tourism under the 2021 campaign, with the utilization of the aforesaid County matching funds as well as the State’s committed funds to the campaign, and endorses the application by the Chamber for matching funds under the program.

Section 3. That the Board of Legislators authorizes an Agreement with the Lewis County Chamber of Commerce to act as the County’s agent under the 2021 “I LOVE NY” campaign, and to perform the services of promoting and marketing the benefits of tourism in the County of Lewis with the funds so provided under the campaign, for the period from January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021.

Section 4. That the Chairman or Vice-Chairman of the Board of Legislators is hereby authorized to execute, seal and deliver said Agreement and any and all other necessary papers and documents in connection with the application and program, pending approval by the County Attorney.
Section 5. That the within resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator _Osborne_, seconded by Legislator _Kulzer_, and adopted on the 1st day of December, 2020.
RESOLUTION NO. 316 - 2020
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AGREEMENTS
BETWEEN LEWIS COUNTY COMMUNITY SERVICES AND
VARIOUS PROVIDERS FOR PROGRAM SERVICES

Introduced by Legislator Richard Chartrand, Vice-Chair of the Health and Human Services Committee.

WHEREAS, the Community Services Board is a local governmental unit established by the Lewis County Board of Legislators pursuant to the authority granted in Mental Hygiene Law § 41.05; and

WHEREAS, the Community Services Board is responsible to provide local or unified mental health services and facilities directly and/or by contract for the provision of those services by other units of local or state government, by voluntary agencies, or by professionally qualified individuals; and

WHEREAS, the Community Services Board has reviewed the proposals for the following providers of mental health services and has determined that these services are necessary to meet the needs of the community and the costs are reasonable for servicing such needs; and

WHEREAS, the Community Services Board receives state aid funding for some of these agreements which provide mental health services. During 2021, Community Services may receive adjustments to the state aid funding for each provider agency based upon a Cost Of Living Adjustment ("COLA") determined by the state; and

WHEREAS, the Community Services Board has met to consider the contracts for the following service providers and has resolved to recommend to the Board of Legislators to enter into such contracts, and to include a provision to accept any COLA adjustment granted, if any, by the state pertaining to the 2021 service contracts;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

Section 1. That the Board of Legislators hereby authorizes Agreements between the County of Lewis and the following various providers for program services in the amounts herein set forth, subject to any financial adjustment(s) made by the State to said contract(s), including any COLA adjustments pertaining to 2021:

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<td>Coordinated Care Services, Inc.</td>
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<td>One Path Career Partners, Inc.</td>
<td>Psychological Services - AOT evaluations &amp; Court Testimony</td>
<td>$325.00 per hour &amp; mileage</td>
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Section 2. That the term of said Agreements shall be the period from January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021.

Section 3. That the Chairman or Vice-Chairman of the Board of Legislators is hereby authorized to make, execute, seal and deliver said Agreements and any COLA adjustment modifications, pending approval by the County Attorney.

Section 4. That the within resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator Osborne, seconded by Legislator Kulzer, and adopted on the 1st day of December, 2020.
RESOLUTION NO. 317 - 2020
RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBERS TO
COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD

Introduced by Legislator Richard Chartrand, Vice-Chair of the Health & Human Services Committee.

BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

Section 1. Pursuant to Mental Hygiene Law Section 41.11, the Board of Legislators hereby appoints the following individuals as members of the Lewis County Community Services Board:

Dr. John Wat, Lewis County Health System, Lowville NY 13367
Karen Boliver, Northern Regional Center for Independent Living, Lowville NY 13367
Scott Mathys, Lewis County Opportunities Inc., Lowville NY 13367

Section 2. That the term of said appointments shall be effective from January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2024.

Section 3. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator Osborne, seconded by Legislator Kulzer, and adopted on the 1st day of December, 2020.
RESOLUTION NO. _318_ - 2020
RESOLUTION TO APPOINT MEMBER TO
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SUB-COMMITTEE OF
COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD

Introduced by Legislator Richard Chartrand, Vice-Chair of the Health & Human Services Committee.

BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

Section 1. Pursuant to Mental Hygiene Law Section 41.11, the Board of Legislators hereby appoints Karen Boliver of the Northern Regional Center for Independent Living, to the Developmental Disabilities Sub-Committee of the Lewis County Community Services Board.

Section 2. That the term of said appointment shall be effective January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2024.

Section 3. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator ___Osborne___, seconded by Legislator ___Kulzer___, and adopted on the 1st day of December, 2020.
RESOLUTION NO. 319 - 2020
RESOLUTION TO APPOINT MEMBERS TO
MENTAL HEALTH SUB-COMMITTEE OF LEWIS COUNTY
COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD

Introduced by Legislator Richard Chartrand, Vice-Chair of the Health & Human Services Committee.

WHEREAS, the Lewis County Community Services Board Mental Health Sub-committee shall have nine members appointed by the Board of Legislators pursuant to Mental Hygiene Law § 41.11;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

Section 1. That the Board of Legislators hereby appoints the following individuals as members of the Mental Health Sub-Committee of the Lewis County Community Services Board:

Crystal Collette, Lewis County Office for the Aging, Lowville NY 13367
Deanna Edick, Department of Social Services, Lowville NY 13367
Mark Waterhouse of Carthage NY 13619
Randall Clendenning of Lowville NY 13367

Section 2. That the term of said appointments shall be effective January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2024.

Section 3. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator Osborne, seconded by Legislator Kulzer, and adopted on the 1st day of December, 2020.
RESOLUTION NO. 320 - 2020
RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBERS TO
SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER SUB-COMMITTEE OF
COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD

Introduced by Legislator Richard Chartrand, Vice-Chair of the Health & Human Services Committee.

WHEREAS, the Lewis County Community Services Board Substance Use Disorder Subcommittee shall have nine members appointed by the Board of Legislators pursuant to Mental Hygiene Law § 41.11;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

Section 1. That the Board of Legislators hereby appoints the following individuals as members of the Substance Use Disorder Sub-Committee of the Community Services Board:

Kyle Chartrand of Lowville, New York
Amanda Martin of Lowville, New York

Section 2. That the term of said appointments shall be effective January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2024.

Section 3. That Matthew Morrow of Lowville, New York is hereby appointed to the Substance Use Disorder Sub-Committee to fill the un-expired term of MaryJo Burkhard, effective December 2, 2020 through December 31, 2022.

Section 4. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator Osborne, seconded by Legislator Kulzer, and adopted on the 1st day of December, 2020.
RESOLUTION NO. 321 - 2020
RESOLUTION TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS
Community Service

Introduced by Legislator Richard Chartrand, Vice-Chair of the Health & Human Services Committee:

BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

Section 1. That the following appropriation take place in the Community Services accounts for the increase in funds due to additional State Aid:

Increase Revenue:
A0432400 334902 NRCIL $14,639.00
A0431800 334915 TLS $13,248.00
A0432600 334917 ARC OMH $612.00
A0432500 334914 MVPS $3,340.00

Increase Expense:
A0432400 422800 NRCIL $14,639.00
A0431800 422800 TLS $13,248.00
A0432600 422800 ARC OMH $612.00
A0432500 422800 MVPS $3,340.00

Section 2. That the within resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator [Osborne], seconded by Legislator [Kulzer], and adopted on the 1st day of December, 2020.
RESOLUTION NO. 322 - 2020
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADDENDUM TO THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN LEWIS COUNTY COMMUNITY SERVICES AND COORDINATED CARE SERVICES, INC.

Introduced by Legislator Richard Chartrand, Vice-Chair of the Health & Human Services Committee.

WHEREAS, the County of Lewis, by and through Lewis County Community Services entered into an agreement for services with Coordinated Care Services, Inc. ("CCSI") on November 25, 2019 pursuant to Resolution No. 382-2019 for professional, specialized financial management services at $105.00 per hour, at a total annual cost not to exceed $17,850.00; and

WHEREAS, the County of Lewis desires to authorize an amendment to the agreement with CCSI to add an additional sixteen (16) hours to complete the following four (4) tasks set forth below at a cost of $105.00 per hour for a total cost not to exceed $1,680.00:

- 2019 CFR claims Surplus/Deficit Log and Maximization of State Aid funding
- 2019 NYS OMH County Allocation Tracker
- Management and communication of the final State Aid Distributions for 2020
- Review and processing of provider Actual Financial reports and processing of final 2020 vouchers

WHEREAS, the Board of Legislators wishes to accept such addendum;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

Section 1. That the Lewis County Board of Legislators hereby authorizes an Addendum to the Agreement between Lewis County Community Services and Coordinated Care Services, Inc. by adding an additional sixteen (16) hours to complete additional identified tasks at a cost of $105.00 per hour, not to exceed $1,680.00.

Section 2. That the Chairman or the Vice-Chairman of the Board of Legislators be and the same are hereby authorized to execute and deliver such addendum to the agreement upon such form as approved by the County Attorney.

Section 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator _Osborne_, seconded by Legislator _Kulzer_, and adopted on the 1st day of December, 2020.
RESOLUTION NO. 323 – 2020
RESOLUTION AND ORDER WITH REFERENCE TO DOG QUARANTINE

Introduced by Legislator Jerry King, Chair of the General Services Committee.

WHEREAS, this Board of Legislators determines that the deer population in the County of Lewis may suffer from depredation due to dogs attacking, chasing or worrying deer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, pursuant to Section 122 of the Agriculture and Markets Law, and any other appropriate provisions of laws, rules and regulations as follows:

Section 1. It is ordered that all dogs in the County of Lewis shall be securely confined during the period of time from December 15, 2020 to May 15, 2021.

a. Pursuant to Agriculture and Markets Law Section 122 (3), a dog shall not be deemed in violation of this order if it is accompanied by, and under the control of its owner.

b. Pursuant to Agriculture and Markets Law Section 122 (6), this order shall not apply to dogs in special dog training areas or shooting preserves enclosed and licensed pursuant to the environmental conservation law, while such dogs are under the control of the owner or trainer.

Section 2. It is resolved and ordered that notice of this order shall immediately be given by publication in the Watertown Daily Times, as the Board’s official newspaper with general circulation in Lewis County.

Section 3. It is resolved and ordered that the Clerk of the Board of Legislators be and she hereby is directed to file a copy of this Order and Resolution in the office of each Town Clerk in the area affected by the order; and that a certified copy of the resolution be forwarded to the NYS Commissioner of Agriculture and Markets.

Section 4. That such order shall be in full force and effect within 24 hours following publication.

Moved by Legislator Osborne, seconded by Legislator Kulzer, and adopted on the 1st day of December, 2020.
RESOLUTION NO. 324 - 2020
RESOLUTION RE-APPOINTING MEMBER TO
REGION 6 FISH AND WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT BOARD

Introduced by Legislator Lawrence L. Dolhof, Chairman of the Board of Legislators.

WHEREAS, Title 5, Section 11-0501 of the NYS Environmental Conservation Law established a Fish and Wildlife Management Practices Cooperative Program, which includes the commissioning of a Regional Fish and Wildlife Management Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

Section 1. That the Lewis County Board of Legislators hereby re-appoints Jacqueline Mahoney of Castorland, New York as a member of the Region 6 Fish and Wildlife Management Board, as the Lewis County Landowner’s Representative.

Section 2. That the term of said appointment shall be effective from January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2022.

Section 3. That the within resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator Osborne, seconded by Legislator Kulzer, and adopted on the 1st day of December, 2020.
RESOLUTION NO. 325 - 2020
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT BETWEEN
THE COUNTY OF LEWIS AND STANTEC CONSULTING SERVICES INC. FOR THE
FUEL STORAGE SYSTEM AT THE LEWIS COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Introduced by Legislator Jerry King, Chair of the General Services Committee.

WHEREAS, the County of Lewis, by and through the Lewis County Highway Department, recently entered into an agreement with Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. ("Stantec") for professional engineer services pertaining to the removal and replacement of the underground petroleum storage tanks at the Highway Garage located at 7362 East Road, Lowville, New York; and

WHEREAS, Stantec desires to revise the original agreement's scope of services for the following additional services: Electrical design to provide emergency generator connectivity; supplemental geotechnical design; tank and drive pad revisions; design option changes; and additional contract provisions required for the above; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Legislators seeks to authorize this amendment to the agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

Section 1. That the Lewis County Board of Legislators hereby authorizes an amendment to the original scope of services with Stantec Consulting Services Inc., to provide the specific professional engineering and administrative services outlined in its "Modification 02" proposal dated October 29, 2020 pertaining to the fuel storage system at the Highway Garage.

Section 2. That the Lewis County Board of Legislators authorizes said amendment to the original scope of services at a total cost of $5,900, comprised of $1,500 for electrical design, $1,300 for supplemental geotechnical design, $900 for tank and drive pad revisions, and $2,200 for bid/design option changes and additional contract provisions.

Section 3. That the Chairman or Vice-Chairman of the Board of Legislators is hereby authorized to make, execute, seal and deliver such Agreement, as may be approved by the County Attorney.

Section 4. That the within resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator Osborne, seconded by Legislator Kulzer, and adopted on the 1st day of December, 2020.
RESOLUTION NO. 326 – 2020
RESOLUTION AMENDING COMPENSATION PLAN
WITH REFERENCE TO LEWIS COUNTY GENERAL HOSPITAL

Introduced by Legislator Richard Chartrand, Hospital Board of Managers’ representative.

BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

Section 1. That the Board of Legislators hereby amends the Compensation Plan of the County of Lewis with reference to the Lewis County General Hospital, to create the following positions:

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Section 2. That the following positions are hereby abolished:

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<td>Dietetic Technician (1)</td>
<td>Part-time</td>
<td>$17.91 - $22.75/hour</td>
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Section 3. That the within resolution shall be effective immediately.

Moved by Legislator Osborne, seconded by Legislator Kulzer, and adopted on the 1st day of December, 2020.
RESOLUTION NO. 327 - 2020
RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE NEW YORK STATE CLIMATE SMART COMMUNITIES PLEDGE AND DESIGNATE KEVIN BROUILLARD AS THE LEWIS COUNTY COORDINATOR FOR THE CLIMATE SMART COMMUNITIES AND TASK FORCE

Introduced by Legislator Jerry King, Chairman of the General Services Committee

WHEREAS, the Lewis County Board of Legislators authorized the County of Lewis, through the Lewis County Planning Department, to apply for a Clean Energy Community ("CEC") grant under NYSERDA funding pursuant to Resolution No. 484-2016. This designation allowed upgrades to the County's interior and exterior energy-efficient LED lighting fixtures and two (2) electric vehicle charging stations; and

WHEREAS, with this CEC designation, the County is committed to develop and prioritize clean energy goals. The County now seeks additional sustainability opportunities with another New York State Program, Climate Smart Communities ("CSC"); and

WHEREAS, the County of Lewis believes that climate change poses a real and increasing threat to our local and global environments and is primarily due to the burning of fossil fuels; and

WHEREAS, the effects of climate change will endanger our infrastructure, economy and livelihoods; harm our farms, orchards, and ecological communities, including native fish and wildlife populations; spread invasive species and exotic diseases; reduce drinking water supplies and recreational opportunities; and pose health threats to our citizens; and

WHEREAS, by becoming a Certified CSC, Lewis County will score higher on grant applications for a variety of New York State funding programs, have state-level recognition for each community’s leadership, gain access to resources, training, tools and expert guidance all while leading the way to organize climate action and highlight priorities with municipalities throughout the county; and

WHEREAS, the County’s response to climate change provides us with an unprecedented opportunity to save money, to build livable, energy-independent and secure communities, vibrant innovation economies, healthy and safe schools, and resilient infrastructures. The scale of greenhouse gas emissions reductions required for climate stabilization will require sustained and substantial efforts. Even if emissions were dramatically reduced today, communities would still be required to adapt to the effects of climate change for decades to come. In order to become a Certified CSC, the County is required to adopt the New York State Climate Smart Communities pledge; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Legislators wishes to adopt the New York State Climate Smart Communities pledge and designate the County’s Community Development Specialist, Kevin Brouillard, as the Lewis County Coordinator for Climate Smart Communities (CSC) and the CSC Task Force; and
WHEREAS, one of the mandatory action items certification is creating a CSC Task Force. The CSC Task Force serves as a central body of leadership that promotes and supports climate mitigation and adaption in the community. The role of the CSC Task Force is to assess the status and/or feasibility of action items in the CSC certification program and act as an advisory board;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

Section 1. That the Lewis County Board of Legislators, in order to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and adapt to a changing climate, adopts the New York State Climate Smart Communities pledge, which comprises the following ten elements:

1) Build a climate-smart community.
2) Inventory emissions, set goals, and plan for climate action.
3) Decrease energy use.
4) Shift to clean, renewable energy.
5) Use climate-smart materials management.
6) Implement climate-smart land use.
7) Enhance community resilience to climate change.
8) Support a green innovation economy.
9) Inform and inspire the public.
10) Engage in an evolving process of climate action.

Section 2. That the Lewis County Board of Legislators hereby appoints Kevin Brouillard as the Lewis County Coordinator for Climate Smart Communities (CSC).

Section 3. That the Lewis County Board of Legislators hereby authorizes the formation of a Lewis County CSC Task Force to be coordinated by Kevin Brouillard, comprised of 7 – 10 members to be approved by the Board upon recommendations from the Planning Department.

Section 4. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator Osborne, seconded by Legislator Kulzer, and adopted on the 1st day of December, 2020.
RESOLUTION NO. 328 - 2020
RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBER TO PLANNING BOARD

Introduced by Legislator Lawrence L. Dolhof, Chairman of the Board of Legislators.

BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

Section 1. That the Board of Legislators hereby re-appoints Timothy Petersen of 6041 Houseville Road, Turin, New York 13473, as a member of the Lewis County Planning Board.

Section 2. That the term of said appointment shall be effective from January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2023.

Section 3. That the within resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator Osborne, seconded by Legislator Kulzer, and adopted on the 1st day of December, 2020.
RESOLUTION NO. 329 - 2020
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FUNDING AND A MEMORANDUM OF
UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN LEWIS COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH AGENCY AND
LEWIS COUNTY HEALTH SYSTEMS TO ADMINISTER THE SERVICES
OF COVID-19 TESTING AT THE MAPLE RIDGE CENTER

Introduced by Legislator Richard Chartrand, Vice-Chair of the Health & Human Services Committee.

WHEREAS, Lewis County Public Health ("PH"), as the local agency of the NYS Department of Health and National Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has been working with the Lewis County Health System ("LCHS") to ensure that there are testing clinics available to residents of Lewis County during the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the winter months pose a challenge to the Covid-19 testing clinic being offered at the parking lot of the LCHS campus; and

WHEREAS, LCHS has secured a lease agreement with Maple Ridge Center, to have a portion of that facility be modified to allow for a drive-thru testing clinic during the winter and spring months (approximately 6 months) at a cost of $1,200/mo ($100/clinic day with the intention of at least 12 clinic days per month); and

WHEREAS, in consideration of LCHS administering the services at the clinic, the County, through Lewis County Public Health as the local DOH agency, will agree to pay the monthly lease obligation to Maple Ridge, upon receipt of proper invoices and other document which may be required by PH, in support of this shared service and interest in Covid-19 testing and distribution for the entire population of Lewis County; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Legislators wishes to approve such funding and agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

Section 1. That the Lewis County Board of Legislators hereby authorizes a Memorandum of Understanding by and between the County of Lewis, acting by and through the Lewis County Public Health Agency with the Lewis County Public Health Agency, for PH to pay the monthly lease obligation charged by Maple Ridge Center to LCHS, in consideration of LCHS agreeing to administer and provide the necessary services to operate a COVID-19 testing and distribution clinic at the Maple Ridge Center facility located on the East Road, Lowville, NY, for approximately six (6) months commencing November 16, 2020, at a cost of $1,200/month ($100/clinic day, anticipated 12 clinic days per month), as shared services/partnerships in response to the COVID-19 pandemic outbreak.

Section 2. That Lewis County Public Health will pay the lease obligation with available Federal funds.
Section 3. That the Lewis County Public Health Director is hereby authorized to make, execute, seal and deliver said MOU with LCHS, pending approval by the County Attorney.

Section 4. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator Osborne, seconded by Legislator Kulzer, and adopted on the 1st day of December, 2020.
RESOLUTION NO. 330 - 2020
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL AGREEMENTS WITH E. F. JOHNSON, UNITED RADIO, INC. AND AVIAT NETWORKS FOR REMOTE MAINTENANCE AND SUPPORT SERVICES OF THE E911 RADIO EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM

Introduced by Legislator Jerry King, Chair of the General Services Committee.

WHEREAS, the Lewis County Sheriff's Department desires to renew agreements with the following providers regarding remote maintenance and support services of the E911 Radio Emergency Communications System;

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<td>United Radio, Inc.</td>
<td>Maintenance &amp; Repair for the Radio System and all Equipment</td>
<td>$91,434.00</td>
<td>January 1, 2021 – December 31, 2021</td>
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<td>Aviat Networks</td>
<td>Remote Support for the Radio Microwave Network</td>
<td>$8,818.00</td>
<td>February 1, 2021 – December 31, 2021</td>
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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

Section 1. That the Board of Legislators hereby authorizes renewal Agreements between the County of Lewis and the above providers for remote maintenance and support services of the E911 Radio Emergency Communications System as described above.

Section 2. That there is no County cost, as all agreements are fully funded under the Interoperable Communication Radio Grant.

Section 3. That the Chairman or Vice-Chairman of the Board of Legislators is hereby authorized to make, execute, seal and deliver said Agreements and any required revisions thereto, pending approval by the County Attorney.

Section 4. That the within resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator Osborne, seconded by Legislator Kulzer, and adopted on the 1st day of December, 2020.
RESOLUTION NO. 331 - 2020
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN LEWIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES AND THE RESOURCE CENTER FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING FOR CONSUMER DIRECTED PERSONAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Introduced by Legislator Richard Chartrand, Vice-Chair of the Health & Human Services Committee.

WHEREAS, in accordance Sections 365-f and 367-p of the Social Services Law, the Department of Social Services ("DSS") wishes to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Resource Center for Independent Living ("RCIL") to enable Medicaid recipients to utilize the Consumer Directed Personal Assistance Program ("CDPAP"); and

WHEREAS, this agreement is for a retroactive term commencing on August 7, 2020 and will be an on-going Memorandum of Understanding unless either party desires to terminate upon a thirty (30) day notice and/or upon notification from the New York State Department of Health or other designated New York State oversight agency that the State and/or Federal funds are unavailable for these services;

WHEREAS, the Board of Legislators wishes to accept such services;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

Section 1. That the Board of Legislators hereby authorizes a Memorandum of Understanding between the Lewis County Department of Social Services ("DSS") and the Resource Center for Independent Living to enable Medicaid recipients to utilize the Consumer Directed Personal Assistance Program, for a retroactive term commencing on August 7, 2020 and continuing unless and until either party terminates.

Section 2. That the Board of Legislators hereby authorizes the Commissioner of Lewis County Department of Social Services to make, execute, seal and deliver said Agreement and any required revisions thereto, pending approval by the County Attorney.

Section 3. That the within resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator Osborne, seconded by Legislator Kulzer, and adopted on the 1st day of December, 2020.
RESOLUTION NO. 332 - 2020
RESOLUTION TO RE-APPOINT MEMBERS TO
SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Introduced by Legislator Lawrence L. Dollhof, Chairman of the Board of Legislators.

BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

Section 1. That this Board of Legislators hereby re-appoints Ashley Marolf of 10449 Second Road, Carthage, New York 13619 as the Grange Representative on the Lewis County Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Directors and re-appoints Jennifer Myers of 4217 West Road, Turin, New York 13473, as the Member-at-Large to the Lewis County Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Directors.

Section 2. That the term of said appointments shall be from January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2023.

Section 3. That Gary Rosiczkowski of 5066 Lee Road, Turin, New York 13473, is appointed as the Farm Bureau representative on the Lewis County Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Directors for a term of January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2022

Section 4. That the within resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator Osborne, seconded by Legislator Kulzer, and adopted on the 1st day of December, 2020.
RESOLUTION NO. _333_ - 2020
RESOLUTION TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS
SOLID WASTE

Introduced by Legislator Jerry King, Chair of the General Services Committee.

BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

Section 1. That the following budget transfers are hereby approved in the Solid Waste accounts for additional costs incurred over the preliminary budget:

Increase Revenue:
ES816000 312310 Finance Charges $ 7,500.00
ES816000 321300 Refuse & Garbage $40,000.00
ES816000 321301 Recycling Sales $45,000.00
ES816000 321302 Refuse Invoiced $42,500.00

Increase Expense:
ES 816000 490100 Professional Services $130,000.00
ES 816000 490900 Miscellaneous $ 5,000.00

Section 2. That the within resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator Osborne, seconded by Legislator Kulzer, and adopted on the 1st day of December, 2020.
RESOLUTION NO. 334 - 2020
RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBERS TO TRAFFIC SAFETY BOARD

Introduced by Legislator Jerry King, Chair of the General Services Committee.

BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

Section 1. That the Board of Legislators hereby appoints the following individuals to the Lewis County Traffic Safety Board:

Joseph Austin, Lewis County Public Health Planner, 7785 N State Street, Lowville, NY 13367
Undersheriff Jason McIntosh, Outer Stowe St., Lowville, NY 13367
Randy Roggie, Lowville Police Chief, 5535 Bostwick Street, Lowville, NY 13367
Ann Wolff, Lewis County Opportunities, Inc., 8265 State Route 812, Lowville, NY 13367
Frank Monnat, Beaver River Central School, P.O. Box 179, Beaver Falls, NY 13305
Casandra Buell, Lewis County Planning Director, Lowville, NY 13367

Section 2. That the term of said appointments shall be effective January 1, 2021 and terminate on December 31, 2023.

Section 3. That the within resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator Osborne, seconded by Legislator Kulzer, and adopted on the 1st day of December, 2020.
RESOLUTION NO. _335_ - 2020
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COUNTY TREASURER
TO MAKE NECESSARY BUDGET TRANSFERS

Introduced by Legislator Thomas Osborne, Chair of the Finance & Rules Committee.

BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

Section 1. That the Board of Legislators hereby authorizes the Lewis County Treasurer to make such inter-fund departmental transfers as are necessary to close the books for the 2020 fiscal year.

Section 2. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator _Osborne_, seconded by Legislator _Kulzer_, and adopted on the 1st day of December, 2020.
RESOLUTION NO. 336 - 2020
RESOLUTION TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY ACT

Introduced by Legislator Richard Chartrand, Vice-Chair of the Health & Human Services Committee:

NOA#PY-20-3

Section 1. That the following funds be appropriated for Program Year 2020 for the period July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2022 for the Adult and Dislocated Worker Programs per the Notice of Obligational Authority (NOA), #PY20-3, dated October 1, 2020 through the New York State Department of Labor, in the amount of $91,990.39.

Increase WIOA Revenue:
CD629300.347910 WIA $91,990.39

Increase Dislocated Worker Program expense:
CD629100.110100 Wages $1,000.00
CD629100.490900 Contractual $150.00
CD629100.801000 Retirement $632.00
CD629100.807000 Dental Insurance $20.00
CD629100.806000 Health Insurance $2,028.00
CD629100.499900 OJT/CRT Checkbook $25,929.30
$29,759.30

Increase Adult Program expense:
CD629200.110100 Wages $24,000.00
CD629200.490900 Contractual $110.00
CD629200.801000 Retirement $500.00
CD629200.803000 FICA $2,200.00
CD629200.804000 Compensation $280.00
CD629200.807000 Dental Insurance $600.00
CD629200.806000 Health Insurance $6,500.00
CD629200.499900 OJT/CRT Checkbook $28,041.09
$62,231.09

Section 2. That the within shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator Osborne, seconded by Legislator Kulzer, and adopted on the 1st day of December, 2020.
RESOLUTION NO. 337 - 2020
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BID AWARD AND AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF LEWIS AND WESTELCOM NETWORK INC. FOR COUNTY PHONE SYSTEM AND COMPREHENSIVE INTER-OFFICE PHONE SERVICES

Introduced by Legislator Thomas A. Osborne, Chair of the Finance & Rules Committee.

WHEREAS, the Lewis County Information Technology Director recently sent out a Request for Proposals (RFP) to qualified vendors to provide a Multi-Location Phone System Program and Comprehensive Inter-Office Phone Services for the County’s telecommunication technology needs; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the procedures set forth in the RFP, on November 16, 2020, the County opened four (4) bids duly received; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Finance & Rules Committee along with the IT Director, and County Manager reviewed the bid proposals and considered the pricing responses in conjunction with the best interests of the County, and recommend that the lowest bidder, Westelcom Network Inc. (“Westel”), located at 130 Park Place, Watertown, NY 13601 be awarded a three-year contract for county phone system services including PRI/DID (Primary Rate Interface/Direct Inward Dialing), POTS-(Plain Old Telephone or analog/copper lines) and Internet services as outlined in the RFP, in the amount of $25,636.00 per year ($76,908.00 for three-year period), with the cost for the POTS subject to adjustment as to the number of POTS to be transferred determined after set up; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Legislators seeks to award the bid and authorize a three-year contract with Westelcom Network Inc. in accordance with its bid proposal in response to the County’s RFP;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

Section 1. That the Lewis County Board of Legislators hereby awards the bid to and authorizes a three-year agreement with Westelcom Network Inc. (“Westel”), located at 130 Park Place, Watertown, NY 13601 for a Multi-Location Phone System Program and Comprehensive Inter-Office Phone Services for the County’s telecommunication technology needs in accordance with the specifications set forth in the RFP.

Section 2. That the agreement shall provide for such services to be in place and operational by February 1, 2021, and continuing through January 31, 2024 at an annual cost of $25,636.00 (subject to adjustment for POTS to be transferred), payable in monthly installments.

Section 3. That the Chairman or Vice-Chairman of the Board of Legislators is hereby authorized to make, execute, seal and deliver such Agreement, as may be approved by the County Attorney.

Section 4. That the within resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator Osborne, seconded by Legislator Kulzer, and adopted on the 1st day of December, 2020.
OTHER BUSINESS:

At 5:52 p.m. Legislator Kulzer made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Legislator Osborne and carried.