

Agenda

Planning & Economic Development Committee

October 15, 2025, 6:00 p.m., Legislative Chambers

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Gerace Office Building, Mayville, NY

- A. Call to Order
- B. Approval of Minutes (9/17/25)
- C. Privilege of the Floor
 - 1. Proposed Resolution – Amend 2025 Budget to Implement Waterway Hazard Removal Using Interest Earnings from American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) and 3% Occupancy Tax Reserve
 - 2. Other –

RENEW AND AMEND
CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY
RESOLUTION NO. 139-25

TITLE: Amend 2025 Budget to Implement Waterway Hazard Removal Using Interest Earnings from American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) and 3% Occupancy Tax Reserve

BY: Planning & Economic Development and Audit & Control Committees:

AT THE REQUEST OF: County Executive Paul M. Wendel, Jr.:

WHEREAS, Chautauqua County (the County) received an award of \$24,649,420 in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding; and

WHEREAS, such funds have been invested on an interim basis; and

WHEREAS, the interest income earned from the invested ARPA funds is available to be utilized by the County and a procedure has been established for the ARPA working group to review the remaining project requests; and

WHEREAS, The Chautauqua County Department of Planning and Development, in partnership with the Department of Public Facilities, Division of Parks, seeks to fund a capital project for Waterway Hazard Removal; and

WHEREAS, this project will enable the completion of the Marden Cobb Waterways hazard removal project, leveraging additional tourism potential, and aligning with other planning and development goals of the County; and

WHEREAS, the Chautauqua County Parks Commission and Chautauqua County Planning Board have reviewed this request and recommended its approval; and

WHEREAS, the Waterway Hazard Removal project has been reviewed by the ARPA Working Group and the County is pursuing the use of ARPA interest earnings to fund the project; and

WHEREAS, the APRA Interest Earnings Account has a minimum balance of \$87,000, and the 3% Occupancy Tax Reserve has a balance of \$716,631.86 as March 26, 2025; and

WHEREAS, \$87,000 in ARPA Interest Earnings and \$63,000 in 3% Occupancy Tax Reserve Funding is being sought for this project, for a total project cost of \$150,000 for this phase of work; and

WHEREAS, a budget amendment is necessary to authorize spending for the project; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the County Executive is hereby authorized to enter into any necessary agreements for the above-named project; and be it also

RESOLVED, That Capital Project HH.257110.25300 The Waterway Trail Hazard Removal Project closed by Resolution 89-25 be reestablished; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the A fund Balance is appropriated as follows:

INCREASE THE USE OF APPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE:

A. ----. ----.883.0000 Reserved Fund Bal-Reserve for Occupancy Tax \$ 63,000

; and be it further

APPROVED

VETOES (VETO MESSAGE ATTACHED)

County Executive

Date

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RESOLVED, That the Director of Finance is hereby authorized and directed to make the following changes to the 2025 Adopted Budget:

INCREASE APPROPRIATION ACCOUNTS:

HH.257110.25300.4	Contractual-Waterway Hazard Removal	\$ 150,000
A.9950. ----.9	Interfund Transfers-Transfer to Capital	<u>\$ 150,000</u>
	Total	\$ 300,000

INCREASE REVENUE ACCOUNT:

HH.257110.25300.R503.1000	Interfund Transfers-Interfund Transfer	\$ 150,000
A.9950. ----.R240.1REG	Transfer to Capital-Int & Earn: Regular	<u>\$ 87,000</u>
	Total	\$237,000

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