

Agenda

Human Services Committee

**March 18, 2026, 5:00 p.m., Legislative Chambers**

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Gerace Office Building, Mayville, NY

- A. Call to Order
  - B. Approval of Minutes (02/18/26)
  - C. Privilege of the Floor
1. Proposed Resolution – Government Reduction Initiative Assistance for Town of Pomfret for Sharing and Consolidating of Services between Municipalities
  2. Proposed Resolution – Amend 2026 Public Health Budget Appropriations to Accommodate Acceptance of Funds to Support Dental Health Workforce Initiatives
  3. Presentation – Potential Changes to the Administrative Code – *Presented by The Charter & Administrative Code Review Commission*
  4. Discussion – NYS Education Department’s Preschool Program - Committee on Preschool Special Education
  5. Other –
    - Late Proposed Resolution – Amend 2025 Budget for Year End Reconciliation – Department of Mental Hygiene and Social Services

**CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY  
RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**TITLE:** Government Reduction Initiative Assistance for Town of Pomfret for Sharing and Consolidating of Services between Municipalities

**BY:** Public Facilities, Administrative Services, Public Safety, Human Services, Planning and Economic Development and Audit & Control Committees:

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

WHEREAS, pursuant to Local Law 4-17 of the County of Chautauqua, the County is authorized pursuant to a duly adopted resolution to “provide assistance to other municipalities in Chautauqua County to accomplish the consolidation and dissolution of local government entities”; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution 139-17 and Resolution 251-25, the County implemented a Government Reduction Initiative (GRI) Plan in furtherance of Town and Village government efficiencies; and

WHEREAS, the County wishes to continue its efforts to work alongside New York State by minimizing the layers of local government in order to reduce property taxes, improve the business climate, and spur economic development in Chautauqua County; and

WHEREAS, the County further wishes to encourage government efficiency initiatives among school districts, cities, and local government entities as defined by New York General Municipal Law § 750(13) (which includes, without limitation: towns, villages, sewer districts, water districts, and fire districts); and

WHEREAS, the Town of Pomfret has submitted a request for GRI funding to support sharing and consolidating services in conjunction with the Village of Fredonia, Town of Dunkirk, City of Dunkirk, and Town of Sheridan and

WHEREAS, sharing and consolidating of services between municipalities will involve analyzing and determining the process which best serves all parties in regards to equipment and potential associated debt, staffing and union contracts, taxing districts and funding sources for services, and

WHEREAS, the services to be analyzed in include the dissolving the Village of Fredonia’s Department of Public Works into the Town of Pomfret’s Highway Department with potential services to the Town of Dunkirk, Town of Pomfret and Village of Fredonia consolidating into a single court facility, Town of Pomfret and Village of Fredonia consolidating into a single code enforcement office, and the sharing of a dog control officer and associated needs with the Towns of Dunkirk, Pomfret, and Sheridan, City of Dunkirk, and Village of Fredonia; and

WHEREAS, an GRI review group consisting of the County Executive, Chair of Chautauqua County Legislature, Majority Leader, Minority Leader, and Deputy County Executive for Economic Development thoroughly reviewed Town of Pomfret’s request for consistency with State and Local Laws and County Resolutions 139-17 and 251-25; and

WHEREAS, budget amendments are necessary to authorize funding for Town of Pomfret’s request; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the County Executive is hereby authorized to enter into any and all agreements for the aforementioned project, and execute any additional documentation, amendments, or addenda necessary to effectuate the aforementioned project; and be it further

RESOLVED, That A Fund Balance is appropriated as follows:

**APPROVED**

**VETOES (VETO MESSAGE ATTACHED)**

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County Executive

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Date

INCREASE THE USE OF FUND BALANCE:

A.-----917.0000 Unassigned Fund Balance—Unassigned Fund Balance \$50,000

; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Director of Finance is hereby authorized and directed to make the following changes to the 2026 adopted budget in order to fund the Town of Pomfret's request:

INCREASE APPROPRIATION ACCOUNT:

A.8020.-----4 Contractual-Planning \$50,000

**APPROVED**

**VETOES (VETO MESSAGE ATTACHED)**

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**County Executive**

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**CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY  
RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**TITLE:** Amend 2026 Public Health Budget Appropriations to Accommodate Acceptance of Funds to Support Dental Health Workforce Initiatives

**BY:** Human Services and Audit & Control Committees:

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

WHEREAS, the Chautauqua County Health Department is responsible for promoting and protecting the health of County residents; and

WHEREAS, Chautauqua County has been designated by the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), as a Health Professional Shortage Area (HPSA) for Dental Health; and

WHEREAS, limited access to dental care presents significant public health concerns and underscores the need to strengthen the local dental workforce; and

WHEREAS, the Chautauqua County Health Department is committed to improving dental health and hygiene among County residents through prevention, education, and workforce development initiatives; and

WHEREAS, the Health Department does not currently have sufficient funding within its 2026 Adopted Budget to fully support this work; and

WHEREAS, the Chautauqua Health Network has been awarded funding by HRSA under the Rural Health Outreach and Rural Network Development Program to support the Southern Tier West Health Workforce Partnership (STWHWP), including the development of Dental Hygienist training opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the Chautauqua Health Network is authorized to utilize these funds and has determined that \$25,000 shall be allocated to the Chautauqua County Health Department to support dental health workforce initiatives; and

WHEREAS, the County is authorized to enter into agreements with the Chautauqua Health Network for the acceptance and administration of such funds; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Director of Finance is hereby authorized and directed to amend the 2026 Adopted Budget to reflect the acceptance of \$25,000 in grant funding; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the following amendments be applied to the 2026 Adopted Budget:

INCREASE APPROPRIATION ACCOUNTS:

A.4010.----.1	Personal Services - Public Health Admin	\$16,513
A.4010.----.8	Employee Benefits - Public Health Admin	<u>\$8,487</u>
	Total	\$25,000

INCREASE REVENUE ACCOUNTS:

A.4010.----.R440.1000	Federal Aid-Public Health Grant	\$25,000
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**VETOES (VETO MESSAGE ATTACHED)**

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**CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY  
RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**TITLE:** Amend 2025 Budget for Year End Reconciliation – Department of Mental Hygiene and Social Services

**BY:** Human Services and Audit & Control Committees:

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

WHEREAS, some Department of Mental Hygiene and Social Services departmental expenditures have exceeded initial budgetary estimates, as well as some appropriations have a surplus; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Mental Hygiene and Social Services has received revenues in excess of budget; now therefore be it

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

INCREASE USE OF FUND BALANCE:

A.----.----.917.0000 Unassigned Fund Balance--Unassigned Fund Balance \$128,591

;and be it further

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

INCREASE APPROPRIATION ACCOUNTS:

A.6055.----.4	Contractual - Day Care	\$ 68,015
A.6070.----.4	Contractual - Services for Recipients	\$ 8,222
A.6109.----.4	Contractual - Family Assistance	\$ 61,458
A.6119.----.4	Contractual - Child Care (Foster/Inst)	\$ 1,279
A.6140.----.4	Contractual - Safety Net	<u>\$157,811</u>
	Total	\$296,785

DECREASE APPROPRIATION ACCOUNTS:

A.6010.----.4	Contractual - Social Services Admin	\$ 13,678
A.6142.----.4	Contractual – Emergency Aid for Adults	<u>\$ 4,322</u>
	Total	\$ 18,000

INCREASE REVENUE ACCOUNTS:

A.6055.----.R365.5000	New York State Aid-Day Care	\$ 3,826
A.6055.----.R465.5000	Federal Aid-Day Care	\$ 62,914
A.6070.----.R467.0000	Federal Aid-Services for Recipients	\$ 8,222
A.6109.----.R460.9000	Federal Aid-EAF Foster Care	\$ 28,045
A.6140.----.R364.0000	New York State Aid-Safety Net	\$ 45,185
A.6140.----.R464.0000	Federal Aid-Safety Net	<u>\$ 2,002</u>
	Total	\$150,194

**APPROVED**

**VETOES (VETO MESSAGE ATTACHED)**

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County Executive

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