

Agenda

Public Safety Committee

April 15, 2026, 4:00 p.m., Legislative Chambers

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Gerace Office Building, Mayville, NY

- A. Call to Order
- B. Approval of Minutes (03/18/26)
- C. Privilege of the Floor
 1. Proposed Resolution – Confirm Appointment– Chautauqua County Emergency Medical Services Council
 2. Proposed Resolution – Confirm Appointment – Chautauqua County Fire Advisory Board
 3. Proposed Resolution – Amend 2026 Budget for the Department of Probation
 4. Proposed Resolution – Authorize Execution of New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services Grant Community Outreach and Risk Reduction Program “COT” FY 2026
 5. Proposed Resolution – Authorize Standardization of Axon-brand Camera and Software Products at the Chautauqua County Office of the Sheriff
 6. Proposed Resolution – Authorize Agreement with Chautauqua-Cattaraugus Erie II BOCES for Culinary Arts Instruction 2026-2027
 7. Proposed Resolution – Amend 2026 Budget for the Jail – Office of the Sheriff
 8. Proposed Resolution – Government Reduction Initiative Assistance for Town of Ripley for Development of Multi-Municipality Dog Shelter Facility
 9. Other –

CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY
RESOLUTION NO. _____

TITLE: Confirm Appointment– Chautauqua County Emergency Medical Services Council

BY: Public Safety Committee:

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

WHEREAS, County Executive Paul M. Wendel, Jr. has submitted the following appointment to the Chautauqua County Legislature for action; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Chautauqua County Legislature hereby confirms the following appointment to the Chautauqua County Emergency Medical Services Council.

Chris McKinley
3269 Rt. 62
Kennedy, NY 14747
Term Expires: 12/31/2028
New Appointment
(Battalion 4)

APPROVED
VETOES (VETO MESSAGE ATTACHED)

County Executive

Date

**CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY
RESOLUTION NO. _____**

TITLE: Confirm Appointment – Chautauqua County Fire Advisory Board

BY: Public Safety Committee:

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

WHEREAS, County Executive Paul M. Wendel, Jr. has submitted the following appointment to the Chautauqua County Legislature for action; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Chautauqua County Legislature hereby confirms the following appointment to the Chautauqua County Fire Advisory Board.

4th Battalion

Keith Bean
2322 Scott Hill Rd
Kennedy, NY 14747
Term Expires: 1/31/2027
New Appointment (Alternate)

APPROVED
VETOES (VETO MESSAGE ATTACHED)

County Executive

Date

**CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY
RESOLUTION NO. _____**

TITLE: Amend 2026 Budget for the Department of Probation

BY: Public Safety and Audit & Control Committees:

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

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution 154-25, the Chautauqua County Probation Department received funding totaling \$20,000 from the Criminal Justice Discovery and Bail Reform funding FY 2025; and

WHEREAS, revenue and expenditures associated with the Criminal Justice Discovery and Bail Reform were not realized in Fiscal Year 2025 and the revenue and expenditures were not included in the 2026 Adopted Budget; and

WHEREAS, the Probation Department has received notice that the New York State (NYS) Division of Criminal Justice has provided funding for the ATI Pre-Trial Services; and

WHEREAS, revenues and expenditures associated with the ATI Pre-Trial Services were not included in the 2026 Adopted budget; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Director of Finance is hereby directed to make the following changes to the 2026 Adopted Budget:

INCREASE APPROPRIATION ACCOUNTS:

A.3140. ----.2	Equipment-Probation	\$ 73,974
A.3140. ----.4	Contractual-Probation	<u>\$299,889</u>
	Total	\$373,863

INCREASE REVENUE ACCOUNTS:

A.3140.R308.9000	NYS Aid-Other State Aid	\$ 20,000
A.3140.R331.0ATI	NYS Aid-Probation ATI Pre-Trial	<u>\$353,863</u>
	Total	\$373,863

APPROVED

VETOES (VETO MESSAGE ATTACHED)

County Executive

Date

CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY
RESOLUTION NO. _____

TITLE: Authorize Execution of New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services Grant Community Outreach and Risk Reduction Program “COT” FY 2026

BY: Public Safety and Audit & Control Committees:

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

WHEREAS, the Chautauqua County Office of the Sheriff has received notification the State of New York approved the application submitted to the Division of Criminal Justice Services to enhance our CARES program, community outreach, and risk reduction program; and

WHEREAS, the State of New York will provide funding in the amount of \$560,370 with no local funds required for the contract period from July1, 2026 – June 30, 2027; and

WHEREAS, this grant is not included in the 2026 Adopted budget therefore a budget amendment will be needed; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Chautauqua County Executive is authorized to execute the appropriate agreement with the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services; 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:

INCREASE APPROPRIATION ACCOUNTS:

A.3110.GRNT.4	Contractual - Sheriff - Grants	\$280,185
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INCREASE REVENUE ACCOUNT:

A.3110.GRNT.R338.9000	New York State Aid-OTH PUBLIC SAFETY	\$280,185
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APPROVED

VETOES (VETO MESSAGE ATTACHED)

County Executive

Date

**CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY
RESOLUTION NO. _____**

TITLE: Authorize Standardization of Axon-brand Camera and Software Products at the Chautauqua County Office of the Sheriff

BY: Public Safety and Audit & Control Committees:

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

WHEREAS, the Office of the Sheriff uses a substantial number of Axon-brand products and are limited to a number of similar devices by other manufactures, as these devices are becoming standard in police and corrections operations; and

WHEREAS, due to the substantial number of Axon-brand products and software used by the Office of the Sheriff, uniformity of the brand of product and software uses is essential for efficient operation of the Office of the Sheriff; and

WHEREAS, standardizing the brand will assist the Office of the Sheriff in regulating costs by eliminating the need to stock parts and train staff for several brands of this product, as well as enabling the Office of the Sheriff to take advantage of bulk purchase discounts provided by the supplier and making it possible for all divisions of the Office of the Sheriff to share parts when necessary; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Legislature of the County of Chautauqua finds that standardization of Axon-brand cameras and software products for the Office of the Sheriff is in the best interest of the Agency and the County of Chautauqua.

APPROVED

VETOES (VETO MESSAGE ATTACHED)

County Executive

Date

CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY
RESOLUTION NO. _____

TITLE: Authorize Agreement with Chautauqua-Cattaraugus Erie II BOCES for Culinary Arts Instruction 2026-2027

BY: Public Safety and Audit & Control Committees:

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

WHEREAS, Chautauqua County is required pursuant to the New York State Correction Law and Education Law to provide appropriate educational services to eligible inmates housed at the County Jail; and

WHEREAS, Chautauqua-Cattaraugus Erie II BOCES has successfully administered various education programs at the jail, and has the ability to oversee a culinary arts program; and

WHEREAS, Chautauqua County desires to offer a culinary arts program to eligible inmates in an effort to assist such inmates in obtaining gainful employment when released from jail, and has negotiated a tentative agreement with BOCES for the period of July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027, with payments to be made by BOCES to the County of Chautauqua for a total sum not to exceed \$30,000; and

WHEREAS, this revenue is included in the 2026 Adopted Budget so no amendment is needed; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is hereby authorized and empowered to execute an agreement with Chautauqua-Cattaraugus Erie II BOCES for a culinary arts instruction program.

APPROVED

VETOES (VETO MESSAGE ATTACHED)

County Executive

Date

**CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY
RESOLUTION NO. _____**

TITLE: Amend 2026 Budget for the Jail – Office of the Sheriff

BY: Public Safety and Audit & Control Committees:

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

WHEREAS, some Office of the Sheriff departmental appropriations will exceed initial budgetary estimates, as well as some appropriations have a surplus; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the Sheriff is requesting to amend the 2026 Adopted budget to accommodate the appropriations that will exceed initial budgetary estimates; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Director of Finance is hereby authorized and directed to make the following changes to the 2026 Adopted Budget:

INCREASE APPROPRIATION ACCOUNT:

A.3150.-----2	Equipment - Jail	\$18,794
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DECREASE APPROPRIATION ACCOUNT:

A.3150.-----4	Contractual - Jail	\$18,794
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APPROVED

VETOES (VETO MESSAGE ATTACHED)

County Executive

Date

**CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY
RESOLUTION NO. _____**

TITLE: Government Reduction Initiative Assistance for Town of Ripley for Development of Multi-Municipality Dog Shelter Facility

BY: Public Safety 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 Ripley has submitted a request for GRI funding to support the development of a multi-municipality dog shelter facility in conjunction with the Towns of Clymer and Mina; and

WHEREAS, the development of a multi-municipality dog shelter will allow the three municipalities to be in compliance with the new New York State mandate for dog sheltering, and splits the cost across the three municipalities; and

WHEREAS, a 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 the development of a multi-municipality dog shelter facility project 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 the development of a multi-municipality dog shelter facility; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is hereby authorized to enter into any and all agreements for the aforementioned project, and to 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:

INCREASE THE USE OF FUND BALANCE:

A.----,-----917.0000 Unassigned Fund Balance—Unassigned Fund Balance \$75,000

; 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 development of a multi-municipality dog shelter facility:

APPROVED

VETOES (VETO MESSAGE ATTACHED)

County Executive

Date

INCREASE APPROPRIATION ACCOUNT:

A.8020.----.4

Contractual-Planning

\$75,000

APPROVED

VETOES (VETO MESSAGE ATTACHED)

County Executive

Date