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October 29, 2021

TO: Media

FROM: Cassandra Moser, Clerk of the Board

The Lewis County Board of Legislators will meet on **Tuesday, November 2, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.** in the Legislative board room of the Court House in Lowville, NY 13367 for the First Day of Annual Session. Attached are proposed resolutions for action. All in attendance must adhere to current NYS COVID-19 guidance and the County mask policy. Any other business may be conducted. A presentation on the Snowmobile Economic Impact Study results and Tourism Activities by the Lewis County Chamber of Commerce will begin at 4:00 p.m.

The meeting will be streamed live on the YouTube channel "Lewis County" listed as:
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCPhIjsUZRBJY7KSIQ0ywxkg>

RESOLUTION NO. 262 – 2021

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 \$ 1,966,123.92 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 _____, seconded by Legislator _____, and adopted by the following roll call vote:

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

RESOLUTION NO. 263 - 2021

**RESOLUTION TO SET PUBLIC HEARING ON
2022 TENTATIVE LEWIS COUNTY BUDGET**

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

Section 1. In accordance with County Law Section 359, the Lewis County Board of Legislators hereby sets the public hearing for comments on the 2022 Tentative Lewis County Budget to be held in the second floor board room of the Lewis County Court House, 7660 State Street, Lowville, New York on the 18th day of November, 2021 to begin at 5:00 p.m.

Section 2. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator __, seconded by Legislator __, and adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 264 - 2021

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN
THE COUNTY OF LEWIS AND THE TOWN OF GREIG FOR FLOOD DAMAGE
PREVENTION ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT**

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

WHEREAS, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) have promulgated regulations concerning the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), which, inter alia, require Towns/Villages to enact a local law adopting certain floodplain management regulations; and

WHEREAS, the local law must include the designation of a “Local Administrator” as defined in such local law to administer and implement the regulations, including enforcement thereof; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Greig has enacted a local law or ordinance related to Flood Damage Prevention Administration and Enforcement and designated the Lewis County Code Enforcement Office as the Local Administrator to administer and implement its floodplain management regulations, by granting or denying Flood Plain Development permits and enforcement in accordance with their provisions and regulations; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 5-G of the General Municipal Law and Town Law § 284 [4](d), the County and Town/Village are authorized to enter into intermunicipal agreements to carry out all or a portion of the ministerial functions related to land use regulation within such Town/Village and to provide for land use administration and enforcement programs and activities provided for herein; and

WHEREAS, the County of Lewis wishes to promote inter-governmental cooperation to the extent of offering to have the Lewis County Codes Department perform certain ministerial functions for the purpose of administering and enforcing the zoning and land use regulations that pertain to Floodplain Damage and Prevention, including to act as the Local Administrator on behalf of the Town, in accordance with Federal and State floodplain prevention regulations and the Town of Greig Floodplain Management Program under its local law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

Section 1. That the Lewis County Board of Legislators hereby authorizes an Intermunicipal Agreement between the County of Lewis and the Town of Greig for the Lewis County Codes Department to be designated as the Town’s “Local Administrator” under its local law, to administer and implement the regulations of the Town of Greig’s Flood Plan Management Program, including enforcement, together with the Federal and State Floodplain Management Regulations.

Section 2. That the Chairman or Vice-Chairman of the Board of Legislators is hereby authorized to make, execute, seal and deliver such Agreement, pending approval by the County Attorney.

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

Moved by Legislator __, seconded by Legislator __, and adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 265 - 2021

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBERS TO
COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD**

Introduced by Legislator Andrea Moroughan, Chair of the Health & Human Services Committee.

WHEREAS, the Lewis County Community Services Board 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 Julie Grau, South Lewis Central School, Turin, NY 13473 as a member of the Lewis County Community Services Board for a term that shall be effective January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2025.

Section 2. That Anna Platz, Lewis County Public Health, Lowville, NY 13367 is hereby appointed to the Lewis County Community Services Board to fill the un-expired term of Ashley Waite, effective 11/3/2021 through December 31, 2023.

Section 3. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator __, seconded by Legislator __, and adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 266 - 2021

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBERS TO
MENTAL HEALTH SUB-COMMITTEE OF
COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD**

Introduced by Legislator Andrea Moroughan, Chair of the Health & Human Services Committee.

WHEREAS, the Lewis County Community Services Board Mental Health 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 Anna Platz, Lewis County Public Health, Lowville, NY 13367 as a member of the Mental Health Sub-Committee to fill the un-expired term of Ashley Waite, effective November 3, 2021 through December 31, 2022.

Section 2. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator __, seconded by Legislator __, and adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 267 - 2021

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBERS TO
SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER SUB-COMMITTEE OF
COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD**

Introduced by Legislator Andrea Moroughan, Chair of the Health & Human Services Committee.

WHEREAS, the Lewis County Community Services Board Substance Use Disorder 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 Julie Grau, South Lewis Central School, Turin, NY 13473 as a member of the Substance Use Disorder Sub-Committee for a term that shall be effective January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2025.

Section 2. That Cassie Forbus of Lowville, NY 13367 is hereby appointed to the Substance Use Disorder Sub-Committee to fill the un-expired term of Kyle Chartrand, effective 11/3/2021 through December 31, 2024.

Section 3. That Christopher Paige of Lowville, NY 13367 is hereby appointed to the Substance Use Disorder Sub-Committee to fill the un-expired term of Ashley Waite, effective November 3, 2021 through December 31, 2021, and then for another 4 year term commencing on January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2025.

Section 4. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator __, seconded by Legislator __, and adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 268 - 2021

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AGREEMENTS
BETWEEN LEWIS COUNTY COMMUNITY SERVICES AND
VARIOUS PROVIDERS FOR PROGRAM SERVICES**

Introduced by Legislator Andrea Moroughan, 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 at a reasonable cost; and

WHEREAS, the Community Services Board receives state aid funding for some of these services by providers, and may receive adjustments to the initial state aid funding for each named provider agency based upon a Cost Of Living Adjustment ("COLA") or other funding adjustment determined by the state; and

WHEREAS, the Community Services Board has met to consider the proposed agreements with the following service providers and has resolved to recommend to the Board of Legislators to enter into three (3) year contracts, subject to annual modification in the amounts payable to the providers, including any COLA funding adjustment granted by the state for each year's funding;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

Section 1. That the Lewis County Board of Legislators hereby authorizes three-year Agreements between the County of Lewis and the following various providers for program services, with the following amounts set forth for as the 2022 funding, plus any financial adjustment(s) made by the State to said annual amount for COLA:

2022 FUNDING		
CONTRACTOR	PURPOSE	AMOUNT
Transitional Living Services of Northern NY	Community Based Programs	\$709,473.00

Oneida-Lewis Chapter, NYSARC	Vocational Training Services	\$30,319.00
Mountain View Prevention Services	Community Prevention Education	\$244,141.00
NRCIL	• Family Support Services • Mental Health Advocacy & Psychosocial Club • MICA • Transition Management • Peer Recovery Services • Self Help Program and • Outreach Peer Advocate	\$835,636.00
Credo Community Center for Treatment of Addictions, Inc.	Outpatient Medically Supervised Chemical Dependence Treatment Services	\$80,027.00
Coordinated Care Services, Inc.	Professional, Specialized Financial Management Services and Training	\$110.00 per hour (Not to exceed \$21,620.00)
One Path Career Partners, Inc.	Psychological Services - AOT evaluations & Court Testimony	\$325.00 per hour & mileage
Rubenzahl, Knudsen & Associates	Psychological Services	\$125.00 per hour for psychological exams \$150.00 per hour for court testimony Not to exceed \$500.00 without prior approval

Section 2. That the term of said Agreements shall be from January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2024, with annual review and modification based upon the annual funding awarded by the State, together with any annual COLA adjustment. The County shall have the right to terminate the Agreement upon 180 days prior written notice to the service provider. The term for Coordinated Care Services, Inc., One Path Career Partners, Inc. and Rubenzahl, Knudsen & Associates shall be for a one (1) year term commencing on January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022.

Section 3. That the Lewis County Board of Legislators hereby authorizes the Treasurer to adjust the appropriation upon receipt of any adjustment notification from the state.

Section 4. That the Chairman or Vice-Chairman of the Board of Legislators is hereby authorized to make, execute, seal and deliver said Agreements and any modifications thereto, pending approval by the County Attorney.

Section 5. That the within resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator ___, seconded by Legislator ___, and adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 269 - 2021

**RESOLUTION TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS
Community Service**

Introduced by Legislator Andrea Moroughan, Chairman 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 Revenues:

A0432400 334922 NRCIL	\$13,126.00
A0431800 334915 TLS	\$ 8,128.00
A0432600 334917 ARC OMH	\$ 243.00
A0432500 334914 MVPS	\$ 1,809.00
A0431900 334921 CREDO	<u>\$ 450.00</u>
	\$23,756.00

Increase Expenditures:

A0432400 422800 NRCIL	\$13,126.00
A0431800 422800 TLS	\$ 8,128.00
A0432600 422800 ARC OMH	\$ 243.00
A0432500 422800 MVPS	\$ 1,809.00
A0431900 422800 CREDO	<u>\$ 450.00</u>
	\$23,756.00

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

Moved by Legislator __, seconded by Legislator __, and adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 270 - 2021

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT BETWEEN COUNTY OF LEWIS AND
TOWNS OF HARRISBURG AND PINCKNEY FOR TRANSFER OF RIVER ROAD
BRIDGE (BIN # 3340140) AND PROVISION OF \$179,000.00 TOWARD COSTS FOR
BRIDGE REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT WITH CULVERT**

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

WHEREAS, the Lewis County Superintendent of Highways is charged with responsibility for maintenance of bridges within the municipalities comprising Lewis County; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Highways closed the River Road Bridge (identified as Bridge Bin #3340140) which will be in need of significant repairs and ultimate replacement; and

WHEREAS, the Towns of Harrisburg and Pinckney seek to have the County transfer its title and ownership interest in the bridge property, with the intention of the Towns removing the bridge and replacing it with a culvert and other required materials through the financial assistance from the County in the amount of \$179,000.00 toward the costs of materials for this conversion, subject to receipt of appropriate permit(s) and approvals required by the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation (NYS DEC); and

WHEREAS, the cost to the County in repairing/replacing and maintaining this bridge in the short term and long term will be greater than the financial assistance sought by the Towns in its proposal, and will forever eliminate the County's responsibilities for maintenance of the bridge; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Highways requests that the Board authorize this transfer of ownership to the Towns of Harrisburg and Pinckney to share in the responsibility of removing the bridge and converting for installation of a culvert, subject to the Towns' receipt of proper permit(s) and approvals as may be required by the NYS DEC for conversion from bridge to culvert, and to transfer the amount of \$179,000.00 from the County to the Town of Harrisburg toward the material costs of this undertaking.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

Section 1. That the Lewis County Board of Legislators hereby approves and authorizes a joint agreement with the Towns of Harrisburg and Pinckney for the transfer of title and ownership of the River Road Bridge, (Bridge Bin #3340140) to the named Towns, together with the sum of \$179,000.00 to the Town of Harrisburg toward the material costs associated with removal of the bridge and replacement of same with appropriate culverts and other required materials, provided that the Towns comply with and receive all necessary permits and approvals from the NYS DEC.

Section 2. That the Lewis County Treasurer is directed to make the following budget transfers and appropriations:

Budget Transfer

Transfer From:

A0 005990 Fund Balance	\$179,000.00
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Transfer To:

A09901000 991200 Interfund Transfer to Hwy	\$179,000.00
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Appropriation

Increase:

D0501000 350310 Interfund Revenue	\$179,000.00
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Increase:

D0501000 490900 CR Admin Misc Exp	\$179,000.00
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Section 3. That the Chairman or Vice-Chairman of the Lewis County Board of Legislators, together with the Superintendent of Highways is authorized to sign, seal and execute any and all agreements and transfer documents required to give effect to this Resolution, upon review and approval of the County Attorney.

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

Moved by Legislator __, seconded by Legislator __, and adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 271 - 2021

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN EXTENSION TO THE
SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN
THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
AND THE COUNTY OF LEWIS**

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

WHEREAS, the County of Lewis ("County") and New York State Department of Transportation ("NYSDOT") entered into a shared services agreement (Contract No. C005701) for the term commencing September 1, 2015 to August 31, 2019 pursuant to Transportation Law Sections 14(14) and 14(15) and Section 99-4 of the General Municipal Law; and

WHEREAS, the sharing of such materials and services promotes and assists both the State and County in the maintenance of each municipality's roads and highways, and provides cost savings by maximizing the effective utilization of both parties' resources; and

WHEREAS, the original agreement allows for the term to be extended for up to three additional one-year periods. The second of three extensions expired on August 31, 2021, and the NYSDOT and the County wish to extend this agreement through August 31, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Legislators desires to accept the extension of the shared services agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

Section 1. That the Lewis County Board of Legislators hereby authorizes an extension of the Shared Services Agreement (Contract No. C005701) between the County of Lewis and the New York State Department of Transportation to share certain materials and services to promote and assist in the maintenance of NYSDOT and the County of Lewis roads and highways, and to provide cost savings by maximizing the effective utilization of both parties' resources.

Section 2. That this Shared Services extension Agreement shall be for the term September 1, 2021 through August 31, 2022, with each party contributing no more than \$77,000.00 in costs and services to the other.

Section 3. That the Chairman or Vice-Chairman of the Board of Legislators is hereby authorized to make, execute, seal and deliver such extension Agreement, pending approval by the County Attorney.

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

Moved by Legislator __, seconded by Legislator __, and adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 272 - 2021

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN INTER-MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT
FOR SHARED SERVICES HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE
BETWEEN LEWIS COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT AND TOWNS AND
VILLAGES WITHIN THE COUNTY OF LEWIS**

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

WHEREAS, the County of Lewis, by and through the Lewis County Highway Department, ("County") and the Towns and Villages within the County of Lewis wish to share services; and

WHEREAS, each of the parties, from time to time, are in the need of borrowing manpower, machinery and equipment in connection with sharing highway, maintenance and similar services and both parties desire to assist each other in meeting their respective requirements; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

Section 1. The Lewis County Board of Legislators hereby authorizes an Inter-Municipal Agreement for shared highway maintenance services between the County of Lewis, by and through the Lewis County Highway Superintendent of Highways and the Towns and Villages within the County of Lewis, to share manpower, machinery and equipment in connection with highway maintenance and related services.

Section 2. That the term of the Agreement shall be from January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2022, with automatic annual renewals unless either party provides notice of termination or request for modification.

Section 3. That the Board of Legislators hereby authorizes the Lewis County Superintendent of Highways, to make, execute, seal and deliver said Agreement, pending approval by the County Attorney.

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

Moved by Legislator __, seconded by Legislator __, and adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 273 - 2021

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT NO. 1 TO THE
CONTRACT BETWEEN THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION (NYSDOT) AND LEWIS COUNTY FOR THE
TRANSPORTATION FEDERAL-AID BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT
(PIN 775395) KNOWN AS CR 21 OVER GULF STREAM**

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

WHEREAS, a Project for the Bridge Replacement known as CR 21 over Gulf Stream (PIN 775395; BIN 1039780) (the "Project") in the Town of Pinckney, County of Lewis, is eligible for funding under Title 23 U.S. Code, as amended, that calls for the apportionment of the costs of such a program to be borne at the ratio of 80% federal funds, 15% state funds and 5% non-federal funds; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Highway Law § 10 (34-a) and section 15 of Chapter 329 of the Laws of 1991 as amended by section 9 of Chapter 330 of the Laws of 1991, as further amended by chapter 57 of the Laws of New York of 2014, the State has established the "Marchiselli" Program, which provides certain State-aid for Federal aid highway projects not on the State highway system with project eligibility for Marchiselli Program funds determined by NYS DOT. This project is being funded with Federal Surface Transportation Program (STP) and Marchiselli funds; and

WHEREAS, the County of Lewis advanced the Project by authorizing a commitment of 100% of the non-federal share of the costs of the Preliminary Engineering/Design and Right-Of-Way (ROW) Incidentals Phases of the Project by Resolution No. 140-2020 adopted June 2, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Highways received notice from the NYS DOT that Supplemental Agreement No. 1 will add funds for the Final Design Phase, covering costs incurred on or after August 31, 2021; by adding the Right-Of-Way (ROW) Acquisition Phase covering eligible costs incurred on or after September 14, 2021; and approval of change from Non-Marchiselli to Marchiselli. This Final Design and ROW Phase will receive an additional \$108,000.00; and

WHEREAS, in order for the County to receive the full, additional reimbursement, a Supplemental Agreement titled "Supplemental Agreement No. 1 to D040143" must be executed;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

Section 1. That the Lewis County Board of Legislators hereby approves and authorizes Supplemental Agreement No. 1 to D040143 to the CR 21 over Gulf Stream (PIN 775395; BIN 1039780) NYS DOT Contract, for the additional approved Final Design and ROW Phases, including approved Marchiselli funding and by adding the Right-Of-Way Acquisition Phase.

Section 2. That the Chairman of the Lewis County Board of Legislators, or in his absence, the Vice-Chairman of the Board, is authorized to execute Supplemental Agreement No. 1 and all additional necessary supplemental agreements on behalf of the Lewis County Board of Legislators with the New York State Department of Transportation in connection with this Project.

Section 3. That a certified copy of this Resolution shall be filed with the New York State Commissioner of Transportation by attaching it to Supplemental Agreement No. 1 to D040143, in connection with the Project.

Section 4. That \$108,000.00 shall be appropriated in the Capital Bridge Program to facilitate the Final Design Phase for the Bridge Replacement on as CR 21 over Gulf Stream (PIN 775395; BIN 1039780) in the Town of Pinckney. The following accounts shall be recognized to facilitate the funding of this project and to recognize the new Marchiselli funding approved:

Increase Revenues:

H0512000 345970 Federal	\$86,400.00
H0512000335910 State	\$16,200.00
H0512000 350310 Local	\$ 5,400.00
Project HAG	

Increase Expenditure:

H0512000 499900	\$108,000.00
Project HAG	

Increase Revenue:

H0512000 335910 State	\$23,700.00
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Decrease Revenue:

H0512000 350310 Local	\$23,700.00
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Section 5. That the within Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator __, seconded by Legislator __, and adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 274 -2021

**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:

<u>TITLE</u>	<u>STATUS</u>	<u>SALARY</u>
Laboratory Technician Trainee	Full-time	\$17.28 - \$22.68/hour

Section 2. That the above shall be effective immediately.

Moved by Legislator __, seconded by Legislator __, and adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 275 - 2021

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT BETWEEN
THE CENTER FOR COMMUNITY STUDIES AT
JEFFERSON COMMUNITY COLLEGE AND
COUNTY OF LEWIS ON BEHALF OF OFFICE FOR THE AGING**

Introduced by Legislator Andrea Moroughan, Chair of the Health & Human Services Committee.

WHEREAS, the Lewis County Board of Legislators desires to enter into an Agreement with The Center For Community Studies at Jefferson Community College (“The Center”) for professional services to compile, cleanse, analyze, and report out the results of a Lewis County Office for the Aging Service Needs Assessment Community Survey for each of the three years 2021, 2022, and 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Lewis County Office for the Aging (“OFA”) will distribute and collect the survey using the intercept (face-to-face) methodology, and potentially assist in the utilization of email and mail distribution if necessary. The Center will complete random live telephone interviewing of Lewis County adults in the months of October 2021, October 2022, and July 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Lewis County Board of Legislators wishes to enter into an Agreement with The Center for these services;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

Section 1. That the Lewis County Board of Legislators hereby authorizes an Agreement with The Center For Community Studies at Jefferson Community College for professional services in analyzing survey data that was collected by the Lewis County Office for the Aging, to compile, cleanse, analyze, and report out the results of a Lewis County Office for the Aging Service Needs Assessment Community Survey.

Section 2. That the Lewis County Board of Legislators authorizes and approves compensation of \$20,000.00 to The Center For Community Studies, payable according to the schedule set forth in the agreement. The funds for these services are payable from Office for the Aging stimulus funds under the American Recovery Plan Act.

Section 3. That the Chairman of the Board of Legislators or the Vice-Chairman be and the same is hereby authorized to execute, seal and deliver such Agreement and any amendments thereto, upon such terms as may be approved by the Lewis County Attorney.

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

Moved by Legislator __, seconded by Legislator __, and adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 276 - 2021

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AGREEMENTS
BETWEEN OFFICE FOR THE AGING AND
VARIOUS PROVIDERS FOR PROGRAM SERVICES**

Introduced by Legislator Andrea Moroughan, Chair of the Health & Human Services Committee.

WHEREAS, the Lewis County Office For The Aging wishes to enter into agreements with various providers to utilize their services for the elderly residents in Lewis County; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

Section 1. That the Lewis County Board of Legislators hereby authorizes Agreements between the County of Lewis and the following various providers for program services for the elderly in the amounts herein set forth:

CONTRACTOR	PURPOSE	AMOUNT
Campany, McArdle & Randall, PLLC	Legal Services	\$150.00 per hr. (not to exceed \$10,000 annually)
Double Play Community Center	Evidenced Based Physical Programs and Workshops	\$576.00 per session-Aquatics \$225.00 per session-Walk w/Ease
Doyle Security Systems (New Entity from S.T.A.T. Communications Merger)	Lifenet Services	\$15.00 Standard Landline Unit \$20.00 Cellular Unit \$20.00 Landline Unit with Fall Pendant \$25.00 Cellular Unit with Fall Pendant \$35.00 Mobile GPS Pendant \$40.00 Mobile GPS Pendant with Fall Detection \$5.00 2 nd Pendant for Spouse or Caregiver
U.S. Care Systems, Inc. (Caregiver Services)	Respite	\$27.62 per hour
U.S. Care Systems, Inc. (EISEP/CSEM Program)	Housekeeping (In-Home Personal Care)	\$27.62 per hr. for Level I \$28.03 per hr. for Level II
Volunteer Transportation Center of Jefferson County, Inc.	Transportation Services	\$1,500.00 per month

Seniors Helping Seniors	Housekeeping/Chore, Respite & “Heavy Chore” Services for Homebound, Ill, or Disabled Residents	\$27.62 per hour
Plan-It Staffing	Consumer Directed In-Home Services under EISEP & CSE	\$23.75 per hour – Entry Level \$26.25 per hour - Experienced
Harris Courts, Inc.	Meal Site Facility	\$150.00 per month for 2022 \$200.00 per month for 2023
United Church of Copenhagen	Meal Site Facility	\$160.00 per month
Maple Ridge Center, Inc.	Meal Site Facility	\$1,200.00 per month

Section 2. That the Agreements shall be for the term commencing on January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022; with the exception of Harris Courts, Inc. and Volunteer Transportation Center of Jefferson County, Inc., which shall be for a two (2) year term commencing on January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2023. The County share amount in all contracts is 25% and the State/Federal share amount is 75%.

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 amendments thereto, pending approval by the County Attorney.

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

Moved by Legislator __, seconded by Legislator __, and adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 277 - 2021

**RESOLUTION RE-APPOINTING MEMBER TO
LEWIS COUNTY OPPORTUNITIES, INC.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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

BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

Section 1. That this Board of Legislators hereby re-appoints Lewis County Commissioner of Social Services Jennifer Jones of Beaver Falls, NY 13305 as a member of the Lewis County Opportunities, Inc. Board of Directors.

Section 2. The term of said appointment shall be effective for a three-year term from November 24, 2021 to November 24, 2024.

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

Moved by Legislator __, seconded by Legislator __, and adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 278 – 2021

**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 appoints Sarah A. Metott of Glenfield, New York 13343, as a member of the Lewis County Planning Board.

Section 2. That the term of said appointment shall be effective from January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2024.

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

Moved by Legislator __, seconded by Legislator __, and adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 279 - 2021

**RESOLUTION AWARDING BID AND AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT BETWEEN
THE COUNTY OF LEWIS AND BIRNIE BUS SERVICE, INC.
FOR TRANSPORTATION SERVICES IN LEWIS COUNTY**

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

WHEREAS, the Lewis County Planning and Community Development Department (“Planning Department”) recently sent out a Request for Proposals for interested and qualified vendors to provide management, operation and maintenance services for the County’s Coordinated Public Transportation System according to the terms and specifications as set forth in the RFP; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Planning, Community Development Program Specialist and Clerk of the Board, were present on October 8, 2021, at 2:00 p.m. to open the two (2) responses to the RFP; and

WHEREAS, after review and consideration of the proposals, the Director of Planning recommends awarding the bid to Birnie Bus Service, Inc., the lowest bidder, in accordance with the specifications and scope of work set forth in the RFP and Bid Documents; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Legislators seeks to award the bid to Birnie Bus Service, Inc. and authorizes an agreement for the specified services to be provided in accordance with the RFP;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

Section 1. That the Lewis County Board of Legislators hereby authorizes and approves an Agreement with Birnie Bus Service, Inc., 248 Otis Street, Rome, New York 13440 to provide management, operation and maintenance services for the County’s Coordinated Public Transportation System according to the terms and specifications as set forth in the RFP.

Section 2. That the Lewis County Board of Legislators authorizes said agreement to include all conditions and requirements set forth in the RFP together with inclusion of any and all additional terms and conditions recommended by the County Attorney, commencing January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2024 with an option to extend for an additional three (3) years upon mutual agreement, at the following rates:

Cost Proposal	2022	2023	2024
	Per Mile Rate		
Route Services	\$2.55	\$2.60	\$2.65
Dial-A-Ride Services	\$2.55	\$2.60	\$2.65
NEMT Services	\$1.28	\$1.31	\$1.33
	Per Hour Rate		
Bus Aide	\$25.00	\$25.50	\$26.14

Section 3. That the Chairman or Vice-Chairman of the Board of Legislators is hereby authorized to make, execute, seal and deliver such Agreement and any amendments thereto, upon review and approval by the County Attorney.

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

Moved by Legislator __, seconded by Legislator __, and adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 280 - 2021

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENTS WITH
DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF THE NORTH COUNTRY TO PROVIDE GRANT
ADMINISTRATION SERVICES AND CONSTRUCTION PROJECT MANAGEMENT
SERVICES UNDER THE NORTHERN BORDER REGIONAL COMMISSION 2021
SEID AND THE CDBG-CV (BROADBAND CONNECTIONS PROJECT) GRANTS**

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

WHEREAS, the County accepted from the Housing Trust fund Corporation and Office of Community Renewal offices of an award of \$747,790.00 under CDBG CARES Act for the County's LMI Broadband Connections Project, identified as Project No 636CVPF9-21); and

WHEREAS, the County also accepted from the Northern Border Regional Commission (NRBC) an award of \$263,053.00 under the 2021 SEID grant for the County's telecommunication infrastructure project plan; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Resolution No. 243-2021, the Lewis County Board of Legislators authorized an agreement with the Development Authority of the North Country (DANC), to provide grant administration services to the County under its NBRC telecommunication infrastructure project and plan for Lewis County, at a cost up to \$6,000.00; and

WHEREAS, under both grants, the County Planning Department submitted workplans and costs for grant administration services and project delivery/construction management services; and

WHEREAS, DANC has the expertise and knowledge to serve as the County's partner under these projects as the grant administrator as well as providing project delivery/construction management services required under the work plan; and

WHEREAS, DANC can provide: 1) grant administration services under the CDBG-CV grant project up to \$15,000.00; 2) up to \$30,000.00 in project delivery/construction management services under the CDBG-CV project; and 3) up to \$40,000.00 in project delivery/construction management services under the NRBC grant; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Department requests that the Lewis County Board of Legislators approve IMAs with DANC to provide the above identified administrative and project delivery services under these two telecommunication infrastructure projects for Lewis County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

Section 1. The Lewis County Board of Legislators hereby authorizes Inter-Municipal Agreements with DANC to provide: 1) grant administration services under the CDBG-CV LMI Broadband Connections Project, up to \$15,000.00; 2) project delivery/construction management

services under the CDBG-CV project, up to \$30,000.00; and 3) up to \$40,000.00 in project delivery/construction management services under the NRBC 2021 SEID grant for the telecommunication infrastructure project; all payable from the respective grant funds awarded.

Section 2. That the Chairman or Vice-Chairman of the Board of Legislators, be and the same is hereby authorized to make, execute, seal and deliver such Agreements, amendments or extensions thereto, and all other required documents necessary to carry out the terms of this Resolution, upon review and approval of the County Attorney.

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

Moved by Legislator __, seconded by Legislator __, and adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 281 - 2021

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT BETWEEN
THE NEW YORK STATE STOP-DWI FOUNDATION AND THE
LEWIS COUNTY STOP DWI PROGRAM FOR PROJECT CRACKDOWN AND
APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS**

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

WHEREAS, while STOP-DWI efforts across New York have led to significant reductions in the number of alcohol and drug related fatalities, still too many lives are being lost because of crashes caused by drunk or impaired drivers. Highly visible, highly publicized efforts like the STOP-DWI High Visibility Engagement Campaigns aim to further reduce the incidence of drunk and impaired driving. Research shows that high-visibility enforcement can reduce drunk driving fatalities by as much as 20%. Sobriety checkpoints and roving patrols play a key part in raising awareness about the problem; and

WHEREAS, the Lewis County STOP DWI Program Coordinator has received \$17,500.00 from the grant award to participate in New York State's Highway Safety Program for the statewide Project Crackdown and to engage the public with education materials of the dangers of impaired driving; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Legislators wishes to accept such grant award and appropriate the funds; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

Section 1. That the Lewis County Board of Legislators hereby authorizes an Agreement between the Lewis County STOP DWI Program and the NYS STOP-DWI Foundation for the purpose of receiving a grant award in the amount of \$17,500.00 to participate in New York State's Highway Safety Program to reduce the number of crashes, injuries and deaths on New York's roads.

Section 2. That the Crackdowns are scheduled as follows:

Halloween:	October 29 – November 1, 2021
Thanksgiving:	November 24 – 28, 2021
Holiday Season:	December 17, 2021 – January 1, 2022
Super Bowl:	February 11-14, 2022
St Patrick's Day:	March 16-20, 2022
Memorial Day:	May 27 – 31, 2022
July 4 th :	July 1 – 5, 2022
Labor Day:	August 19 – September 5, 2022

Section 3. That the Board of Legislators authorize the following budget appropriation:

Increase:

A0331500 333110 DWI Traffic Safety Grant Revenue	\$17,500.00
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Increase:

A0331500 492400 DWI Traffic Safety Grant Expense	\$17,500.00
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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 amendments, addenda or appendices required under said funding, pending review and approval by the County Attorney.

Section 5. That the within resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator __, seconded by Legislator __, and adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 282 - 2021

**RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT ADDITIONAL COVID-19 VACCINE RESPONSE
GRANT FUNDS FROM NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH**

Introduced by Legislator Andrea Moroughan, Chair of the Health & Human Services Committee.

WHEREAS, the Lewis County Board of Legislators authorized an agreement between Lewis County Public Health (“Pubic Health”) and New York State Department of Health (“NYS DOH”) (Contract No.: C36937GG) to promote and increase COVID-19 vaccine and other vaccine uptake in the amount of \$68,134.51, retroactive to January 1, 2021 through June 20, 2024 pursuant to Resolution No. 250-2021; and

WHEREAS, Public Health has been awarded additional funds under this Contract in the amount of \$108,527.63 from NYS DOH (Contract No.: C36937GG) to promote and increase COVID-19 vaccine administration equity and to implement vaccine confidence strategies for COVID-19 and routine vaccinations; and

WHEREAS, this additional funding may be used for COVID-19 vaccine implementation expenses retroactive to January 1, 2021 and is available through June 30, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Lewis County Board of Legislators wishes to accept the grant and enter into the contract for same;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

Section 1. That the Lewis County Board of Legislators hereby authorizes an amendment to the agreement between Lewis County Public Health and New York State Department of Health (Contract No.: C36937GG) for additional grant funds to promote and increase COVID-19 vaccine administration equity and to implement vaccine confidence strategies for COVID-19 and routine vaccinations in the amount of \$108,527.63, retroactive to January 1, 2021 through June 20, 2024.

Section 2. That the Chairman or Vice-Chairman of the Board of Legislators is hereby authorized to make, execute, seal and deliver any amendment or other documents which may be required to give effect to receipt of these additional funds.

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

Moved by Legislator __, seconded by Legislator __, and adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 283 - 2021

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXTENSION TO AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE LEWIS COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH AND
JAMES MCGUINNESS & ASSOCIATES, INC.**

Introduced by Legislator Andrea Moroughan, Chair of the Health & Human Services Committee.

WHEREAS, the County of Lewis, by and through Lewis County Public Health, (“County”) entered into an agreement with James McGuinness & Associates, Inc., on September 6, 2017 pursuant to Resolution No. 347-2017 for the purchase of a software program and maintenance services to be used for the Preschool Program. The contract was extended for two (2) years pursuant to Resolution No. 464-2019 for a term ending December 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the County desires to enter into a one (1) year Extension Agreement with James McGuinness & Associates, Inc. for the term beginning January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022, with automatic one (1) year renewal terms; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

Section 1. That the Lewis County Board of Legislators hereby authorizes the extension to the agreement with James McGuinness & Associates, Inc. for maintenance and support of the software program for the Preschool Program.

Section 2. That this is for the term beginning January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022, at a cost of \$9,500.00, with automatic renewal for one year terms, unless terminated by either party upon ninety (90) days prior written notice.

Section 2. That the Chairman or Vice-Chairman of the Board of Legislators is hereby authorized to make, execute, seal and deliver such Agreement, pending approval by the County Attorney.

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

Moved by Legislator ___, seconded by Legislator ___, and adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 284 - 2021

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT BETWEEN
LEWIS COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH AND VENESKY & COMPANY
FOR PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTING SERVICES**

Introduced by Legislator Andrea Moroughan, Chair of the Health & Human Services Committee.

WHEREAS, the Lewis County Public Health Agency (“Agency”) wishes to enter into an agreement with Venesky & Company, to provide professional accounting and consulting services to assist with the annual Cost Report for the Diagnostic & Treatment Center (D&TC) Program; and

WHEREAS, the services include conducting an onsite visit; prepare and maintain a Cost Report Reference Manual; review and prepare the Medicaid Cost Report; prepare an extensive Report to Management for the D&TC at the conclusion of the cost reporting process; assist with any revisions, appeals, or audits relative to the cost report and consultation throughout the year with the Agency; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

Section 1. That the Lewis County Board of Legislators hereby authorizes an agreement with Venesky & Company to provide professional accounting and consulting services to assist with the annual Cost Report for the Diagnostic & Treatment Center Program.

Section 2. That this is for the term beginning January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022 at a cost of \$8,500.00 per year, with automatic one year renewals, unless terminated by either party upon ninety (90) days prior written notice. There is no local share cost.

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

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

Moved by Legislator __, seconded by Legislator __, and adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 285 - 2021

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING GIS WEB-BASED HOSTING RENEWAL
AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF LEWIS
AND DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF THE NORTH COUNTRY**

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

WHEREAS, in 2015, the Lewis County Board of Legislators adopted Resolution No. 501-2015 which authorized participation in the 2016-2017 Local Government Records Management Improvement Fund grant application, led by the Village of Lowville, to integrate Lewis County's existing GIS data into the Authority's regional Internet Mapping Application (IMA) for GIS hosting services. Pursuant to Resolution No. 223-2017, the County approved the agreement for GIS hosting services for a period of five (5) years, ending on December 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the County of Lewis wishes to renew the agreement for a Web-Based Hosting Agreement with DANC to continue GIS hosting and maintenance services and access to the Internet Mapping Application ("IMA"); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Legislators wishes to authorize this renewal agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

Section 1. That the Lewis County Board of Legislators hereby approves the renewal web-based hosting agreement with the Development Authority of the North Country ("DANC") to formally outline the continued scope of GIS hosting and maintenance services with access to DANC's IMA.

Section 2. That this renewal agreement shall commence January 1, 2022 and continue through December 31, 2026, at the following annual cost, but with either party's right to terminate the Agreement upon ninety (90) days written notice, with the County to pay DANC base annual services as outlined below, and any additional services payable according to the labor hour burdened rates set forth in the agreement:

YEAR	PERIOD	HOSTING FEE
1	1/1/22 – 12/31/22	\$1,600
2	1/1/23 – 12/31/23	\$1,600
3	1/1/24 – 12/31/24	\$1,600
4	1/1/25 – 12/31/25	\$1,700
5	1/1/26 – 12/31/26	\$1,700

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

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

Moved by Legislator __, seconded by Legislator __, and adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 286 - 2021

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXEMPTION FROM TAXATION FOR CERTAIN
REAL PROPERTY OWNED BY THE TOWNS AND VILLAGES IN LEWIS COUNTY
AND USED FOR PRODUCTION AND TRANSMISSION OF PUBLIC WATER AND
SEWER SYSTEMS BENEFITTING LEWIS COUNTY RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES**

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

WHEREAS, Real Property Tax Law § 406(3) provides that municipal property located outside such municipality's boundaries which is used as a public sewage disposal or water plant or system, may be deemed partially or wholly exempt from taxation by any municipal corporation where the property is located, provided that the governing board thereof shall so agree in writing; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Legislators adopted Resolution No. 74 – 1997 on April 1, 1997, whereby the then Board of Legislators authorized a written agreement declaring Tax Parcel No. 182.00-03-01.12 owned by the Village of Lowville and located in the Town of Watson, to be wholly exempt from County taxation for so long as the property is used for a public purpose satisfying the requirements of Real Property Law § 406. Thereafter, an agreement was entered into with the Village of Lowville to declare this parcel exempt from County taxation pursuant to RPTL § 406; and

WHEREAS, on February 16, 2011, the Board of Legislators adopted Resolution No. 47 – 2011, applicable to the tax roll established as of March 1, 2011, whereby the Board established a uniform tax exemption policy and procedure to authorize a 100% exemption from County real property taxes for a town or village facility used for the production and transmission of public water or for the treatment and disposal of sewage, where such facilities were located outside the town's or village's boundaries, upon the written request of the applicant-town or village; and

WHEREAS, the Taxation Committee of the Board of Legislators thereafter conducted an extensive review of the tax exemptions granted under this policy and determined that it was in the public interest of Lewis County taxpayers that such exemption be phased out entirely over a period of four years (2012-2015), and recommended to the Board of Legislators that the exemption policy be modified accordingly; and

WHEREAS, on August 2, 2011, the Board of Legislators adopted Resolution No. 268 – 2011 whereby the Board authorized a reduction in the foregoing tax exemption by 25% per year commencing with the tax roll established as of March 1, 2012 and ending with tax roll March 1, 2015 and thereafter when no exemption would be granted for municipal facilities used for the production and transmission of public water or for the treatment and disposal of sewage, where such facilities are located outside such municipality's boundaries; and

WHEREAS, on March 6, 2012, a Resolution was introduced to have Tax Parcel 182-03-01.12 owned by the Village of Lowville located in the Town of Watson, be wholly exempt from

County taxation and be an exception to the phase out of exemption for municipal facilities as was set forth in Resolution No. 268-2011. Said Resolution was defeated; and

WHEREAS, the current County Board of Legislators seeks to revisit this policy in conjunction with its efforts and support for economic development in Lewis County. The Board recognizes the importance of infrastructure systems such as water, sewer and energy that are capable of upgrades, expansion and efficient maintenance and operation, to attract potential businesses to the County; and

WHEREAS, the County has witnessed from various studies, including the Southern Lewis County Water Study and the recently formed Central Lewis County Water Study, that these basic resources must be able to expand and be properly maintained in order to attract viable businesses to our County; with the County tax on local municipal facilities which benefit county residents and businesses, not to be a disincentive to the County's towns and villages to expand, to properly maintain their systems, and to work cooperatively in support of the County's Economic Development efforts; and

WHEREAS, the Lewis County Board of Legislators seeks to treat its towns and villages equally and fairly with respect to county real property tax exemptions for their respective facilities used for the production and transmission of public water and/or for the treatment and disposal of sewage, where such facilities are located outside the town/village boundaries and remain public systems which serve the residents and businesses in Lewis County, and which can expand to support growth and aid in economic development in the County; and

WHEREAS, by Resolutions over the past few years, the Board of Legislators has approved yearly one-time distribution payments to certain named Villages in the County who have water district infrastructure/systems, to assist with expenses associated with each Village's water infrastructure system costs for maintenance and upgrades so that overall economic development could improve in the County where water infrastructures are currently maintained; and

WHEREAS, the Lewis County Board of Legislators finds that it is in the public interest for the Board to re-examine its position and policy with respect to granting a tax exemption to such towns and villages in Lewis County who own real property outside its boundaries, and for which such property is used for the production and transmission of public water and/or sewer treatment and disposal which directly benefits the residents and businesses in the County of Lewis, to which this exemption would solely apply. The County acknowledges that this policy and decision equates to an annual County tax loss of over \$75,000.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

Section 1. All prior Resolutions pertaining to the grant or termination of the county real property tax exemption to Lewis County Villages for their facilities owned outside their boundaries and used for the production and transmission of public water and/or sewer treatment and disposal which solely benefit Lewis County residents and businesses, are hereby rescinded.

Section 2. The Board of Legislators hereby establishes the following tax exemption policy with respect to Lewis County towns and villages which own real property located outside the municipality's boundaries which support its water or sewer facilities, and with such exemption to only apply with respect to County taxes on same:

1. The exemption from County taxation shall apply in whole or in part, at the discretion of the County, to the real property owned by a Lewis County Town or Village and located outside that municipality's boundaries for which an exemption is eligible pursuant to RPTL §406 (3).
2. The municipality seeking the exemption must be a Lewis County town or village, and the property must be classified and used in whole or in part by the municipality for the production, storage and/or transmission of public water or the treatment and/or disposal of public sewage which specifically services the residents and businesses in Lewis County. The municipality must properly and regularly service and maintain its system(s).
3. The exemption shall remain in effect for all future years, so long as there is no change in the use and maintenance of the subject properties as described in sub-paragraph 2 above, and provided that the municipality continues to properly and regularly service, maintain and upgrade its system(s); and further subject to the County's continuing right to review and take further and/or different action on these properties and the exemption at any time.
4. The County of Lewis, acting by and through the Finance and Rules Committee of the Board of Legislators, shall periodically review the exemptions granted pursuant to this uniform tax exemption policy in order to assure that the policy is being applied appropriately by the local assessing unit. The County expressly reserves its right to challenge and, if necessary, to take corrective action with regard to any exemption granted heretofore or hereafter to a Lewis County local municipality property should the Finance and Rules Committee determine that the exemption was unlawful or in contravention of the foregoing policy.

Section 3. The County of Lewis hereby grants an exemption from County taxes for Lewis County local municipal properties that meet the eligibility requirements set forth above as of March 1, 2022 and each tax year thereafter, unless amended, modified or rescinded by formal action of the Lewis County Board of Legislators.

Section 4. The Chairman, or the Vice-Chairman, of the Board of Legislators be and the same are hereby authorized to execute and deliver such documents, instruments or writings as may be necessary to effectuate the purpose of this Resolution upon such form as approved by the County Attorney.

Section 5. The Real Property Director shall cause a copy of this Resolution to be sent to the affected taxing units as soon as practical.

Section 6. The policy set forth in this Resolution shall be deemed to constitute the “agreement” of this governing board to authorize such exemptions to each Lewis County Town and Village who meet the criteria as provided in Real Property Tax Law § 406(3). This Resolution shall remain in full force and effect unless or until it is amended or rescinded by formal action of the Board of Legislators.

Section 7. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator __, seconded by Legislator __, and adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 287 - 2021

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF LEWIS
AND NYS DIVISION OF HOMELAND AND EMERGENCY SERVICES
FOR 2020 SICG RADIO GRANT AWARD**

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

WHEREAS, the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services awarded the County of Lewis the sum of \$684,510.00 under the 2020 Statewide Interoperable Communications Grant Program ("SICG"). The program allows for support to aid county, local and municipal public safety organizations in enhancing emergency response, improving capability, improvements in governance structures, operating procedures, infrastructure development, and addressing SAFECOM guidance from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security Office of Emergency Communications; and

WHEREAS, the performance period for the 2020 SICG award is for 24 months, beginning January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2022, with the possibility of an extension based upon good cause shown and ample justification for needing additional time; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

Section 1. That the Lewis County Board of Legislators approves an Agreement between the County of Lewis and the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services to accept grant award funds of \$684,510.00 under the 2020 Statewide Interoperable Communications Grant Program ("SICG") for enhancing and improving interoperability and operability communications systems.

Section 2. That the performance period for eligible expenses covers January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2022.

Section 3. That the Chairman or Vice-Chairman of the Board of Legislators is hereby authorized to execute, seal and deliver said Agreement, and any amendments, addenda or appendices required under said funding, pending review and approval by the County Attorney.

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

Moved by Legislator __, seconded by Legislator __, and adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 288 - 2021

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AGREEMENTS
BETWEEN LEWIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
AND VARIOUS FOSTER CARE AGENCIES**

Introduced by Legislator Andrea Moroughan, Chair of the Health & Human Services Committee.

WHEREAS, the Lewis County Department of Social Services wishes to enter into agreements with various foster care agencies to utilize their services of foster care, emergency respite care, post placement, residential, educational and treatment services; and

WHEREAS, the following agencies are authorized by the New York State Office of Children and Family Services to provide these services;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

Section 1. That the Lewis County Board of Legislators hereby authorizes agreements between the County of Lewis, by and through the Department of Social Services, and the following agencies for the provision of foster care services, emergency respite care, post placement, and residential, educational and treatment services:

Berkshire Farm Center & Services for Youth – Located in Canaan, NY
Cayuga Home for Children – Located in Auburn, NY
Children’s Home of Jefferson County – Located in Watertown, NY
Elmcrest Children’s Center – Located in Syracuse, NY
Hillside Children’s Home – Located in Rochester, NY
House of the Good Shepherd – Located in Utica NY
St. Anne Institute – Located in Albany, NY
William George Agency – Located in Freeville, NY

Section 2. That the term of these agreements shall be from January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2023 at a per diem cost not to exceed the Maximum Aid Rate established by the State. There is no local share cost until costs exceed the foster care block grant and then the local share is approximately 25% for residential foster care and is based on the eligibility of the client. The State share is approximately 25% and Federal share is approximately 50%.

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

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

Moved by Legislator __, seconded by Legislator __, and adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 289 - 2021

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL AGREEMENTS BETWEEN
LEWIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES AND
VARIOUS PROVIDERS FOR PROGRAM SERVICES**

Introduced by Legislator Andrea Moroughan, Chair of the Health & Human Services Committee.

WHEREAS, the Lewis County Department of Social Services wishes to renew agreements with the following various providers for program services;

CONTRACTOR	PURPOSE	AMOUNT
Credo Community Center for Treatment of Addictions, Inc.	Chemical Dependency and Addictions Services	If client is eligible for Medicaid, no local share cost. If client is not eligible for Medicaid, local share cost could be 0% to 100%
Lewis County Health System	Purchase of Rehabilitation Services	• \$150 per initial functional evaluation • \$225 per physical (as needed) • \$118 per unit (billable up to 6 units for testing – totaling \$708) to perform each functional capacity examination • Local: 25% • State: 25% • Federal: 50%
Transitional Living Services of Northern NY	Gateway Project-Case Management Program (Housing)	Not to Exceed \$23,000 (\$1,916.67 per month)
Victim's Assistance Center of Jefferson County, Inc.	Purchase of Shelter Services	• \$118.84 per person/ per night

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

Section 1. That the Lewis County Board of Legislators hereby authorizes renewal Agreements between the County of Lewis and the following various providers for program services in the amounts herein set forth.

Section 2. That the term of said renewal Agreements are for the period from January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022, with the exception of Volunteer Transportation Center, Inc. and

Lewis County Health System, which shall be for two (2) year terms commencing on January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2023.

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 __, seconded by Legislator __, and adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 290 - 2021

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT BETWEEN
LEWIS COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICES AND
VENESKY & COMPANY**

Introduced by Legislator Andrea Moroughan, Chair of the Health & Human Services Committee.

WHEREAS, the Lewis County Department of Social Services seeks to enter into an agreement with Venesky & Company (“Venesky”) to submit a contract document for the development of a structural component depreciation model for the Stowe Street Building Renovation. The accelerated depreciation method developed within the building study will be in compliance with all rules and regulations promulgated by the Federal and State regulatory bodies; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Legislators wishes to enter into such agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

Section 1. That the Lewis County Board of Legislators hereby authorizes an Agreement between the County of Lewis, acting by and through the Lewis County Social Services Department, and Venesky & Company for the purpose of the development of a structural component depreciation model for the Stowe Street Building Renovation.

Section 2. That this cost analysis project is projected to span calendar years 2021 to 2023, at a total cost of \$12,000.00, payable in \$6,000.00 increments in 2022 and 2023.

Section 3. That the Chairman of the Board of Legislators or the Vice-Chairman be and the same is hereby authorized to execute and deliver such Agreement, pending approval by the County Attorney.

Section 4. That this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator ___, seconded by Legislator ___, and adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 291 - 2021

**RESOLUTION RECINDING RESOLUTION NO. 255-2021 AND AUTHORIZING
ACCEPTANCE OF TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE FOR NEEDY FAMILIES (TANF)
ALLOCATION FOR NON-RESIDENTIAL DV SERVICES AND AGREEMENT
BETWEEN LCDSS AND LEWIS COUNTY OPPORTUNITIES, INC. AS SERVICE
PROVIDER UNDER THE PLAN**

Introduced by Legislator Andrea Moroughan, Chair of the Health & Human Services Committee.

WHEREAS, the Lewis County Commissioner of Social Services received notification that the Department of Social Services (LCDSS) has been awarded \$25,000.00 in allocation funds from the NYS OCFS for non-residential domestic violence (DV) services under the TANF program, for SFY 2021-2022; and

WHEREAS, these TANF funds must be used to provide enhanced or expanded core and/or optional non-residential DV services and programs recognized by OCFS, and can only be used for services provided to families with children and whose income is at or below 200% of the poverty level; and

WHEREAS, in order to access these allocated funds, the Commissioner must execute an attestation and service plan with OCFS, including the name(s) of any service provider(s) the Department engages to provide identified services under the plan; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 255-2021 adopted at the October 5, 2021 the Lewis County Board of Legislators authorized an agreement between the Lewis County Department of Social Services and Lewis County Opportunities for the purpose of providing non-residential domestic violence response and prevention services under the plan submitted by LCDSS to OCFS for the period of January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022. The term of the funding and agreement should be from October 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Legislators wishes to rescind Resolution No. 255-2021 and authorize an agreement with LCO for the term commencing October 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

Section 1. That the Lewis County Board of Legislators hereby rescinds Resolution No. 255-2021, and authorizes the Lewis County Commissioner of Social Services to execute the agreement/attestation form and service plan required by OCFS in order to receive the \$25,000.00 TANF allocation funds for Non-Residential DV services for SFY 2021-2022, for the period commencing October 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

Section 2. That the Lewis County Board of Legislators hereby authorizes an agreement between the Lewis County Department of Social Services and Lewis County Opportunities, Inc.,

for the purpose of providing non-residential domestic violence response and prevention services under the plan submitted by LCDSS to OCFS.

Section 3. That the term of said agreement shall be from October 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022, for an amount not to exceed \$25,000.00 in allocation funds.

Section 4. That the following appropriation is hereby approved for SFY21-22 TANF Non-Residential DV Services program:

Increase Revenue:

A0610900 346090 Fed Aid	\$ 25,000.00
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Increase Expenditure:

A0610900 460900 Non-Res DV	\$ 25,000.00
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Section 5. That the Chairman or Vice-Chairman of the Board of Legislators and Lewis County Commissioner of Social Services are hereby authorized to make, execute, seal and deliver such Agreement, and any amendments thereto, upon review and approval by the County Attorney.

Section 6. That this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator __, seconded by Legislator __, and adopted.