

Criminal Justice & Public Safety Committee
Warren County Office of Emergency Services
AGENDA
January 26, 2018

Committee Members: LEGGETT, Geraghty, Simpson, Wild, Magowan, Diamond, Sokol, Hogan,
Braymer, Driscoll, VACANT

- I. Committee meeting called to order by Chairman
- II. Motion to approve minutes of prior committee meeting
- III. Action Agenda/New Business
 1. **Request:** Resolution request to extend the existing contract with the Glens Falls Fire Department for fire cause and origin investigation services.
Rationale: This is an annual contract that needs to be extended for the provision of fire cause and origin investigation services for the period of January 1-December 31, 2018.
 2. **Request:** Resolution request for out of state travel for Micki Guy, EMS Coordinator, Travis Howe, 2nd Deputy EMS Coordinator and Jack Tims, 3rd Deputy EMS Coordinator to attend the EMS Today Conference and Exposition in Charlotte, NC on February 20-24, 2018.
Rationale: The annual EMS Today Conference provides EMS updates and educational workshops as well as the opportunity to view the latest EMS equipment from leading manufacturers. The conference registration fees and airfare for the EMS Coordinator and 3rd Deputy EMS Coordinator is to be paid out of the existing 2018 budget. The registration fee is \$250.00 per person and the airfare is \$572.00 per person. The total cost to the County is \$1,644.00, included in the 2018 OES budget.
 3. **Request:** Resolution request to amend the 2018 budget to accommodate the FY15 State Homeland Security Grant Program in the amount of \$2,892.36.
Rationale: Resolution needed to carry over grant funds from 2017 to commence the purchasing process.
 4. **Request:** Resolution request to amend the 2018 budget to accommodate the FY16 State Homeland Security Grant Program in the amount of \$18,270.33.
Rationale: Resolution needed to carry over grant funds from 2017 to commence the purchasing process.
 5. **Request:** Resolution request to amend the 2018 budget to accommodate the FY 15 Hazmat Grant Program in the amount of \$12,773.87.
Rationale: Resolution needed to carry over grant funds from 2017 to commence the purchasing process.
 6. **Request:** Resolution request to amend the 2018 budget to accommodate the FY16 Hazmat Grant Program in the amount of \$119,504.10.
Rationale: Resolution needed to carry over grant funds from 2017 to commence the purchasing process.
 7. **Request:** Resolution request to accept the donation of services valued at \$522.50 from Ellsworth & Son Excavating, Inc. and for the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors to send a letter of appreciation.
Rationale: Ellsworth & Son Excavating, Inc. moved seven (7) trailers to the Fire Training Center on November 30, 2017 at no cost to the County.

- IV. Referral/Pending Items
 - V. Information for Discussion/Review
 - 1. Discussion on legislation, introduced by Senator Little, that would authorize counties to establish County EMS Districts.**
 - 2. Upcoming ice jam presentation**
 - VI. Privilege of the Floor to discuss any additional items to come before the Committee
 - VII. Motion to adjourn
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Attachments

- #1 Request for Extending, Rescinding or Amending Existing Contract
- #2 Approve Out of State Travel
- #3 Amend County Budget
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- #7 Miscellaneous
- #8 Handouts regarding proposed EMS legislation
- #9 Handout regarding upcoming ice jam presentation Forthcoming

RESOLUTION REQUEST FORM NO. 4

Request for Extending, Rescinding or Amending Existing Contract

DEPARTMENT NAME: Office of Emergency Services

DATE: January 26, 2018

- (a) Purpose of Contract Change:
Contract extension

- (b) Resolution Number, or Numbers if Amended, which Authorized the Original Contract:
408 of 2006, 653 of 2010 & 93 of 2017

- (c) Name of Contractor:
Glens Falls Fire Department

- (d) Address of Contractor: **134 Ridge Street, Glens Falls, NY 12801**

- (e) Contractor's Contact Person and Telephone Number:
Chief James Schrammel 518-761-3822

- (f) Commencement Date of Extension: **January 1, 2018**

- (g) Termination Date of Extension: **December 31, 2018**

- (h) Payment Provisions:
 - i) lump sum amount
 - ii) hourly rate amount **\$175/hour - 4 hour minimum**
 - iii) total amount not to exceed
 - iv) how will payments be made (i.e. monthly, quarterly, upon completion of the project, etc.

Upon completion and receipt of investigation report

- (i) Where are the Funds for this Contract? List Budget Code, Object Code, Full Title* and Amount: **OR** Capital Project **OR** Capital Reserve Project Number, and Title, and Amount:
A.3410 470 - Fire Prevention & Control, Contract

Sample: A.1010 470 Legislative Board – Contract \$xx.xx
Capital Project No. H289.9550 480 – Old Jail Renovations \$xx.xx

*as listed in budget and LOGOS

RESOLUTION REQUEST FORM NO. 15

Requesting Approval for Out-of-State Travel*

****If the conference announcement or details are available in writing, please attach.***

DEPARTMENT NAME: Office of Emergency Services

DATE: January 26, 2018

- (a) Dates of Travel: February 20-24, 2018
- (b) Purpose (include complete name of any conference, school, etc.): To attend the EMS Today Conference & Exposition
- (c) City/Town & State: Charlotte, NC
- (d) Employee(s) Traveling (include title(s): Micki Guy, EMS Coordinator
Travis Howe, 2nd Deputy EMS Coordinator, Jack Tims, 3rd Deputy EMS Coordinator
- (e) Is County paying the costs or is another Agency? The County is to pay for the conference registration fee of \$250 per person and airfare of \$572 per person for Micki Guy, EMS Coordinator and Jack Tims, 3rd Deputy EMS Coordinator. Total cost to the County is \$1,644.00 which is included in the existing 2018 budget.
- (f) Mode of Transportation to be Use: Mass transportation
(County Vehicle or Mass Transportation)

Please note: If County vehicle use is requested, upon resolution approval, please provide Fleet Manager Frank Morehouse with vehicle request form properly completed.

RESOLUTION REQUEST FORM NO. 7

Request to Amend County Budget*

**If this is the result of a grant award, also complete and submit Form No. 5 or 6*

DEPARTMENT NAME: Office of Emergency Services

DATE: January 26, 2018

(a) Purpose of Amendment: Increase both sides of the budget to accommodate grant funds.

(b) Appropriation Code, Object Code, Full Title and Amount:

A.3645.4014 230 – FY15 State Homeland Security Program – Auto. Equipment	\$ 687.51
A.3645.4014 250 – FY15 State Homeland Security Program – Technical Equipment	\$ 135.00
A.3645.4014 423 – FY15 State Homeland Security Program – Telephone	\$ 878.39
A.3645.4014 428 – FY15 State Homeland Security Program – Internet	\$1,191.46

(c) Revenue Code (with title), and Amount:

A.3645.4014 4380 – FY15 State Homeland Security Program – State Homeland Security Program	\$2,892.36
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(a) **Purpose of Amendment:** Increase both sides of the budget to accommodate grant funds.

(b) **Appropriation Code, Object Code, Full Title and Amount:**

A.3645.4018 220 – FY16 State Homeland Security Program – Office Equipment	\$ 319.00
A.3645.4018 250 – FY16 State Homeland Security Program – Technical Equipment	\$17,940.12
A.3645.4018 410 – FY16 State Homeland Security Program – Supplies	\$ 11.21

(c) **Revenue Code (with title), and Amount:**

A.3645.4018 4380 – FY16 State Homeland Security Program – State Homeland Security Program	\$18,270.33
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(b) Appropriation Code, Object Code, Full Title and Amount:

A.3645.4015 410 – FY15 Hazmat Grant Program – Supplies	\$ 0.91
A.3645.4015 422 – FY15 Hazmat Grant Program – Repair/Maint Equipment	\$ 1,069.90
A.3645.4015 444 – FY15 Hazmat Grant Program – Travel/Edu/Conference	\$ 3,100.00
A.3645.4015 470 – FY15 Hazmat Grant Program – Contract	\$ 8,603.06

(c) Revenue Code (with title), and Amount:

A.3645.4015 4382 – FY15 Hazmat Grant Program – Hazmat Grant Program	\$12,773.87
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(a) Purpose of Amendment: Increase both sides of the budget to accommodate grant funds.

(b) Appropriation Code, Object Code, Full Title and Amount:

A.3645.4100 230 – FY16 Hazmat Grant Program – Automotive Equipment	\$18,000.00
A.3645.4100 260 – FY16 Hazmat Grant Program – Other Equipment	\$31,015.19
A.3645.4100 410 – FY16 Hazmat Grant Program – Supplies	\$15,000.00
A.3645.4100 422 – FY16 Hazmat Grant Program – Repair/Maint Equipment	\$ 6,830.95
A.3645.4100 428 – FY16 Hazmat Grant Program – Data Processing & Internet	\$ 469.49
A.3645.4100 441 – FY16 Hazmat Grant Program – Auto Supplies & Repair	\$ 88.47
A.3645.4100 444 – FY16 Hazmat Grant Program – Travel/Edu/Conference	\$21,100.00
A.3645.4100 470 – FY16 Hazmat Grant Program – Contract	\$27,000.00

(c) Revenue Code (with title), and Amount:

A.3645.4100 4382 – FY16 Hazmat Grant Program – Hazmat Grant Program	\$119,504.10
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RESOLUTION REQUEST FORM NO. 20

MISCELLANEOUS

**Please List All Other Requests Not Covered by Previous Resolution Request Forms Here.
Please attach any backup information available and be as detailed as possible.*

DEPARTMENT NAME: Office of Emergency Services

DATE: January 26, 2018

- (a) Purpose of Request:
Request to accept the donation of services valued at \$522.50 from Ellsworth & Son Excavating, Inc and for the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors to send a letter of appreciation.

- (b) Details:
Ellsworth & Son Excavating, Inc. donated the time and service to move seven (7) trailers to the Warren-Washington County Regional Emergency Services Training and Educational Center on November 30, 2017.

- (c) Previous Resolution Number:

- (d) Where are the Funds (if required)? List Budget Code, Object Code, Full Title* and Amount:

Sample: A.8021 470 Planning & Community Development – Contract

* as listed in budget and LOGOS

STATE OF NEW YORK

7443

IN SENATE

January 18, 2018

Introduced by Sen. LITTLE -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Local Government

AN ACT to amend the general municipal law, in relation to the establishment of special districts for general ambulance services; and to amend the executive law, in relation to a report on volunteer firefighter and ambulance services staffing

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. Paragraphs d, e and f of subdivision 1 of section 122-b of
2 the general municipal law, as amended by chapter 303 of the laws of
3 1980, are amended to read as follows:
4 (d) Establish a special district for the financing and operation of
5 general ambulance services as set forth by this section, whereby any
6 county, city, town or village, acting individually, or jointly with any
7 other county, city, town and/or village, through its governing body or
8 bodies, following applicable procedures as are required for the estab-
9 lishment of fire districts in article eleven of the town law or follow-
10 ing applicable procedures as are required for the establishment of joint
11 fire districts in article eleven-A of the town law, with such special
12 district being authorized by this section to be established in all or
13 any part of any such participating county or counties, town or towns,
14 city or cities and/or village or villages;
15 (e) Employ any combination of the methods authorized in paragraph (a),
16 (b) [or], (c) or (d);
17 [(e)] (f) No contract shall be entered into pursuant to the provisions
18 of this section for the services of an emergency rescue and first aid
19 squad of a fire department or fire company which is subject to the
20 provisions of section two hundred nine-b of the general municipal law;
21 [(f)] (g) Consider prehospital emergency treatment as that care
22 provided by certified emergency medical technicians or certified
23 advanced emergency medical technicians certified pursuant to the
24 provisions of article thirty of the public health law.
25 § 2. The executive law is amended by adding a new section 719 to read
26 as follows:

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [] is old law to be omitted.

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1 § 719. Report on volunteer firefighter and ambulance services staff-
2 ing. 1. On or before the first day of January two thousand nineteen, the
3 commissioner, in consultation with the state office of fire prevention
4 and control, shall prepare and publish a report on the staffing of
5 volunteer firefighter and ambulance services in New York state. Such
6 report shall examine and evaluate the challenges and issues concerning
7 the recruiting and maintenance of trained, available staffing by volun-
8 teer fire departments, districts and companies as well as for volunteer
9 ambulance districts and companies. Such report shall specifically exam-
10 ine and evaluate the challenges and issues that are particular to rural
11 areas of the state and areas with geographic challenges such as moun-
12 tains, waterways or limited transportation networks.

13 2. In addition to identifying challenges and issues concerning the
14 recruiting and maintenance of trained, available staffing by volunteer
15 fire departments, districts and companies as well as for volunteer ambu-
16 lance districts and companies across New York state, as required by
17 subdivision one of this section, such report shall also make recommenda-
18 tions on how to address and remediate the challenges and issues identi-
19 fied, with such recommendations being submitted to the governor, the
20 temporary president of the senate, the speaker of the assembly, the
21 chair of the senate standing committee on local government and the chair
22 of the assembly standing committee on local government at the time of
23 the publishing of the report.

24 § 3. This act shall take effect immediately.





Resolution No. 398-17

Resolution Supporting Senate Bill S. 2770 Regarding Classifying Emergency Medical Services EMS As Essential Services For The Purpose Of State Aid

WHEREAS, Senate Bill S.2770 is an act to amend the general municipal law, in relation to classifying emergency medical services provided by municipalities as essential services for the purposes of applying for and receiving state aid; and

WHEREAS, the legislation still requires an Assembly sponsor; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill S. 2770 would enact an additional subdivision (6) to Section 122-b and deems emergency medical services provided pursuant to subdivision (1) of Section 122-b essential services for the purposes of applying for and receiving state aid; and

WHEREAS, the existing law states "Section 122-b of the General Municipal Law relates to general ambulance services. Section 122b(1) provides, any county, city, town, or village acting individually or jointly, may provide an emergency medical service, a general ambulance service, or a combination of such services, for the purpose of providing pre-hospital emergency medical treatment or transporting sick or injured persons found within the boundaries of the municipality for the municipalities acting jointly to a hospital, clinic, sanatorium, or other place for treatment of such illness or injury"; and

WHEREAS, the New York State Volunteer Ambulance and Rescue Association (NYSVARA) advocates for S. 2770 with the comment, "Unlike police and fire, New York State does not recognize Emergency Medical Services as an Essential Service. Consequently, they are not eligible for aid or grants. This legislation would classify Emergency Medical Services as an Essential Service and as such, local municipalities would have to ensure that their citizens would be provided with appropriate Emergency Medical Service in the same manner they must provide police and fire protection."; and

WHEREAS, the residents and visitors of Greene County rely on our EMS professionals everyday for their requests for medical treatment and transport for various illnesses and injuries. These highly trained EMS professionals respond with life-saving knowledge and keen skills to ensure for the best possible patient outcomes encompassed around not just solely medicine but also the safe transport and a compassionate and empathetic clinician to be their advocate; and

WHEREAS, throughout Greene County local EMS agencies have transitioned from a volunteer based organization to a paid per hour service which has drastically increased the cost of providing EMS services. This legislation would be a possible pathway for additional funding that is desperately needed during this transformation. EMS in Greene County is adapting to these changes but is not unique to these challenges as EMS agencies throughout New York State are facing the same challenge;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Greene County Legislature hereby

requests Governor Cuomo and the State Legislature to adopt S. 2770 and seek an Assembly Sponsor so this act can be implemented; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Legislature is hereby directed to forward copies of this resolution to Governor Andrew M Cuomo, Senator George A. Amedore, Jr., members of the New York State Legislature, the New York State Association of Counties, the New York State Volunteer Ambulance and Rescue Association, the Greene County Emergency Medical Services Council, Inc and the Board of Supervisors/Legislatures of every County in the State of New York.

Meeting History

12/06/17 Health Services **MOVED FOR ADOPTION**

RESULT:	MOVED FOR ADOPTION [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Thomas Hobart, Legislator
SECONDER:	Aidan O'Connor, Chairperson
AYES:	Hatton, O'Connor, Torgersen, Luvera, Hobart, Lewis, Lawrence, Lennon

12/18/17 Finance **MOVED FOR ADOPTION**

RESULT:	MOVED FOR ADOPTION [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Thomas Hobart, Legislator
SECONDER:	Kevin C. Lennon, Legislator
AYES:	Hatton, Martinez, Hobart, Lennon, Gardner, Lewis, Lawrence, Lennon

Current Meeting

12/20/17 Greene County Legislature **ADOPTED**

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Thomas Hobart, Legislator
SECONDER:	Aidan O'Connor, Legislator
AYES:	Hatton, Bulich, Gardner, Hobart, Lawrence, Lennon, Lennon, Linger, Luvera, Martinez, O'Connor, Torgersen, Lewis
EXCUSED:	Linda H. Overbaugh

(9,369) (631)
Ayes 13 Noes 0 Absent 1

APPROVED AS TO FORM
EDWARD I. KAPLAN, ESQ.
GREENE COUNTY ATTORNEY

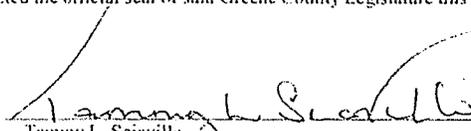
cc: T. Green
1 - Co. Atty
1 - for Luvera
1 - Sen Amedore
1 - NY S. Leg
1 - NYBAL - via email
1 - NY? - violation Prob. & Parole Assoc.
1 - Co. EMS Council
1 - NY State EMS Council - via email
2. file - EMS

STATE OF NEW YORK)
) ss.:
COUNTY OF GREENE }

I, the undersigned,

DO HEREBY CERTIFY that I have compared the above copy of a resolution adopted December 20th, 2017 with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of said Greene County Legislature this 21st day of December, 2017.


Emmy L. Sciavillo
Acting Clerk, Greene County Legislature



Resolution No. 399-17

Resolution Supporting An Increase In Medicaid And Medicare Reimbursements For The Treatment And Transport By Emergency Medical Services (EMS)

WHEREAS, the Greene County Legislature supports our New York State and Federal Representatives to increase Medicaid and Medicare reimbursements for the treatment and transport by EMS; and

WHEREAS, reimbursement for EMS by these government based insurance plans do not recognize the actual cost incurred by EMS providers for the provision of emergency medical services; and

WHEREAS, Greene County and municipalities throughout Greene County are supporting local EMS by using alternative funding sources to supplant the costs incurred for the provision of EMS services; and

WHEREAS, the demand for EMS services including treatment and transport of the sick and injured is increasing with the costs associated with the transformation from volunteer to paid services is exponentially increasing; and

WHEREAS, the professionals of EMS have been tasked with a greater number of required hours of education, adaptation of additional new skills and medications to ensure the best possible patient outcomes while the cost to employ and retain such personnel to ensure we can provide this timely and modern response to illness and injury is increasing at an alarming rate and therefore placing a financial burden to property tax payers at the village, town and county level; and

WHEREAS, the increase of Medicaid and Medicare reimbursements would provide a much needed offsetting revenue source without continuing to be a financial burden primarily on property tax payers but rather offset these costs based on usage;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Greene County Legislature hereby requests our colleagues at the New York State and Federal levels of Government to strongly consider increasing Medicaid and Medicare reimbursements for EMS services; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Legislature is hereby directed to forward copies of this resolution to President Donald Trump, Governor Andrew M Cuomo, Senator George A. Amedore, Jr., members of the New York State Legislature, U.S. Senator Charles Schumer, U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand, Congressman John Faso, the New York State Association of Counties, the Greene County Emergency Medical Services Council, Inc, the National Association of Emergency Medical Technicians, New York State Volunteer Ambulance and Rescue Association and the Board of Supervisors/Legislatures of every County in the State of New York.



Essex County Board of Supervisors

Resolution No. 380

December 27, 2017
Last Day of the Annual

***RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT OF THE SENATE BILL
AMENDING COUNTY LAW TO ALLOW COUNTIES
TO FORM EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE
DISTRICTS***

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor , who moved its adoption.

Upon the recommendation of the Economic Development Committee, with the approval of the Ways and Means Committee of this Body, and the same appearing proper and necessary.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Essex County Board of Supervisors hereby supports Senator Betty Little in her introducing a Bill to amend the County Law to allow counties to form Emergency Medical Service (EMS) Districts.

This resolution was unanimously seconded and adopted.