

# Warren County Board of Supervisors

**SPECIAL BOARD MEETING  
FRIDAY NOVEMBER 5, 2021**



**Note: Pursuant to New York State Legislation (S.50001/A.40001): “Notwithstanding the provisions of article 7 of the public officers law to the contrary, any state agency, department, corporation, office, authority, board, or commission, as well as any local public body, or public corporation as defined in section 66 of the general construction law, or political subdivisions as defined in section 100 of the general municipal law, or a committee or subcommittee or other similar body of such entity, shall be authorized to meet and take such action authorized by law without permitting in public in-person access to meetings and authorize such meetings to be held remotely by conference call or similar service, provided that the public has the ability to view or listen to such proceeding and that such meetings are recorded and later transcribed.”**

**Please note that the following is a summarization of the Board Meeting; the meeting, in its entirety, can be viewed on the Warren County website: <https://warrencountyny.gov/mma>**

## NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

### **TO THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF WARREN COUNTY:**

You are hereby notified that I, RACHEL E. SEEKER, Chairwoman of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Warren, pursuant to the power vested in me by Rule A.3 of the Rules of the Board of Supervisors, hereby call and convene a special meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Warren County to be held in the Supervisors’ Room in the Warren County Municipal Center, Town of Queensbury, New York, on **November 5, 2021 AT 11:00 A.M.**, for the purpose of:

1. Presentation of the 2022 Tentative Budget

The Clerk of the Board of Supervisors is hereby directed to call for the meeting and give written notice to all members of the Board of Supervisors of such meeting.

Dated:

RACHEL E. SEEKER, CHAIRWOMAN

Warren County Board of Supervisors

To the Members of the Board of Supervisors: At the direction of the Chairman of the Board, I am notifying you of the Special Meeting called for the time, place and purposes set forth above.

AMANDA ALLEN, CLERK  
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The Board of Supervisors of the County of Warren convened at the Supervisors' Room in the Warren County Municipal Center, Lake George, New York, at 11:00 a.m.

Ms. Rachel E. Seeber presiding.

Salute to the flag was led by Supervisor Thomas.

Roll called, the following members present:

Supervisors Conover, Leggett, Diamond, McDevitt, Braymer, Bruno, Driscoll, Hogan, Strough, Wild, Magowan, Thomas, Geraghty and Seeber-14; Absent -6 Supervisors Frasier, Smith, Dickinson, Merlino, Beaty and Shepler . *All Supervisors in attendance were physically present, aside from Supervisor Hogan who attended remotely.*

Chairwoman Seeber noted the purpose of the Special Board Meeting was to present the 2021 Tentative County Budget. Privilege of the floor was extended to Frank Thomas, *Budget Officer*, who thanked Chairwoman Seeber for the opportunity to serve as Budget Officer this year and then proceeded to make a Power Point presentation on the 2022 Tentative Budget, a copy of which is on file with the items distributed at the Board meeting. During the Power Point presentation, Supervisor Frasier entered the meeting at 11:05 a.m. At the conclusion of the Power Point presentation, Supervisor Thomas answered questions posed by the Supervisors and listened to their suggestions.

This concluded the comments on the 2022 Tentative Budget, and Chairwoman Seeber resumed the Chair.

Continuing to the reading of resolutions, Amanda Allen, *Clerk of the Board*, apprised Resolution Nos. 461-464 were distributed to the Board and posted to the Warren County website on Tuesday November 2<sup>nd</sup>, which met the distribution deadline specified in the Rules of the Board.

Chairwoman Seeber called for discussion and public comment on the proposed resolutions, as well as requests for roll call votes.

Supervisor Strough requested roll call votes on proposed Resolution Nos. 463, *Appointing Larry Elmen as Warren County Attorney*, and 464, *Authorizing the Chair of the Personnel, Administration & Higher Education Committee and the County Administrator to Negotiate and Award Vacation Leave Allowances for the Incoming County Attorney and Secretary to the County Attorney*, both of which he would be voting in opposition of.

A discussion ensued regarding proposed Resolution No. 463, *Appointing Larry Elmen as Warren County Attorney*, during which a number of Supervisors voiced their gratitude for Robert Terwilliger, *Acting County Attorney*, and his staff for a job well done managing the workload, all the while being short staffed.

Chairwoman Seeber indicated as it related to the roll call requested on proposed Resolution No. 464, *Authorizing the Chair of the Personnel, Administration & Higher Education Committee and the County Administrator to Negotiate and Award Vacation Leave Allowances for the Incoming County Attorney and Secretary to the County Attorney*, which was reflected on the record, she was requesting an executive session upon the request of the County Administrator to briefly discuss some personnel matters relating to proposed Resolution No. 464 and she called for the necessary motion. That motion was made by Supervisor Magowan, seconded by Supervisor Bruno and carried unanimously to enter into an executive

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session pursuant to Section 105(1)(f) of the Public Officer's Law.

Executive session was held from 12:12 p.m. until 12:36 p.m.

Upon reconvening, Chairwoman Seeber announced no action was taken during the executive session.

Chairwoman Seeber called for a vote on resolutions, following which Resolution Nos. 461-464 were approved as presented. During the roll call vote, Supervisor Wild exited the meeting, but returned and was present for the roll call vote on Resolution No. 464.

Chairwoman Seeber called for public comments, but none were received. She then called for announcements, but there were none.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Supervisors, on motion made by Supervisor Conover, seconded by Supervisor Bruno and carried unanimously, Chairwoman Seeber adjourned the Special Board Meeting at 12:40 p.m.