

WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COMMITTEE: FINANCE & BUDGET

DATE: AUGUST 28, 2026

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

SUPERVISORS ETU
CROCITTO
CONOVER
MADAY
BRUNO
STROUGH
RUNYON

OTHERS PRESENT:

KEVIN B. GERAGHTY, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD
JOHN TAFLAN, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
AMANDA ALLEN, CLERK OF THE BOARD
RYAN DICKEY, FIRST ASSISTANT COUNTY ATTORNEY
SUPERVISOR STRAINER
TAMMIE DeLORENZO, ASSISTANT COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
SARAH McLENITHAN, DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD

Please note, the following contains a summarization of the August 28, 2026 meeting of the Finance & Budget Committee; the meeting in its entirety can be viewed using the following links:

Warren County website - <https://www.warrencountyny.gov/MMA>

Warren County's YouTube Channel - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dFBY06jjnc>

Mr. Etu called the meeting of the Finance & Budget Committee to order at 10:30 a.m.

A motion was made by Ms. Runyon, seconded by Mr. Bruno and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the previous Committee meeting, subject to correction by the Clerk of the Board.

Privilege of the floor for public comment, but there was no one wishing to speak.

The agenda review commenced, as follows:

- 1) Request for transfer of funds as attached for Committee approval.

Motion was made by Mr. Crocitto, seconded by Ms. Runyon and carried unanimously to approve Item 1 as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the September 18th Board Meeting.

- 2) Journal Report of transfers approved by the County Administrator staff for July of 2026; provided for informational purposes.
- 3) Referral from the Criminal Justice, Public Safety & Emergency Services Committee pertaining to a request to amend the 2026 Warren County Budget in the amount of \$1,024,736 to reflect receipt of funding from New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services for Statewide Interoperable Communications Grant Program (SICG).

Motion was made by Ms. Runyon, seconded by Mr. Maday and carried unanimously to approve Item 3 as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the September 18th Board Meeting.

- 4) Referrals from the Economic Growth & Development Committee:
 - A) Request to provide \$32,920 from a source of funding to be determined to cover the local share match of the Northern Border Regional Commission Catalyst Program grant for improvements to the Warren County Fish Hatchery.

Motion was made by Mr. Crocitto and seconded by Ms. Runyon to approve the request. A discussion ensued during which Mr. Etu advised the options available were to either appropriate from the General Fund, or to transfer from the Contingent Account which currently carried a balance of around \$125,000; consensus of the Committee was to transfer share match funding in the amount of \$32,920 from Budget Code A.1990 489, *Contingent Account, Other Payments/Contributions*. Mr. Etu called the question and the motion as outlined above was carried unanimously and the necessary resolution was authorized for the September 18th Board Meeting.

- B) Request to establish Capital Project No. H459, *NBRC Fish Hatchery*, in the amount of \$289,600.

Motion was made by Ms. Runyon, seconded by Mr. Strough and carried unanimously to approve Item 4B as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the September 18th Board Meeting.

5) Referrals from the Support Services Committee:

- A) Request to amend Resolution No. 203 of 2026 to include an additional appropriation in the amount of \$40,000 from Budget Code A.863.00, *Reserve, Insurance*, to Budget Code A.3110 418.1, *Sheriff's Law Enforcement*, to cover the cost of out-of-pocket commercial deductible property and casualty claims and actions incurred in 2026.

Motion was made by Ms. Runyon, seconded by Mr. Crocitto and carried unanimously to approve Item 5A as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the September 18th Board Meeting.

- B) Request to appropriate \$87,500 from a source of funding to be determined to Budget Code A.3110 419, *Sheriff's Law Enforcement, Settlements*, to cover the cost of the settlement agreement in the matter of Kathleen Innes v. County of Warren, et. al.

Mr. Etu stated an executive session would be required if the Committee members would like to discuss the settlement agreement in detail. A discussion ensued following which motion was made by Ms. Runyon, seconded by Mr. Maday and carried unanimously to appropriate \$87,500 from Budget Code A.909.00, *General Fund Unappropriated Surplus*, to cover the settlement agreement and the necessary resolution was authorized for the September 18th Board Meeting.

6) Finance Committee action is required on Personnel Agenda 3:

2) Referral Support Services Committee (Chaired by Supervisor Gilligan):

County Attorney (Kimberly Richards, County Attorney) -

Request to amend the Table of Organization and Salary Schedule to create the new position of Secretary to County Attorney #2, *Annual Salary \$61,389*, effective October 1, 2026.

Motion was made by Mr. Strough, seconded by Ms. Runyon and carried unanimously to approve Personnel Agenda Item 3 as outlined above.

7) Budget Discussion - review of the 2026 Multi-Year Plan Summary to be led by the Budget Officer.

Tammie DeLorenzo, *Assistant County Administrator*, reviewed the 2026 Multi-Year Plan Summary and answered questions posed by the Committee members.

Privilege of the floor and public comment was offered, but there was no one wishing to speak.

There being no further business to come before the Finance & Budget Committee, on motion made by Ms. Runyon, seconded by Mr. Strough and carried unanimously, Mr. Etu adjourned the meeting at 10:51 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Sarah McLenithan, Deputy Clerk of the Board