



WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE

Wednesday, February 11, 2026, Time: 3:00 PM
74 Ontario Street, Committee Room 213
Canandaigua, NY 14424

Committee Members

David Baker, Chair
John Cowley
Peter Ingalsbe
Jack Marren
Kristine Singer
Mark Venuti
Frederick Wille

1. Call to Order:

The Ways and Means Committee meeting was called to order at 03:22 PM on February 11, 2026.

Members Present: Supervisor(s) David Baker, John Cowley, Peter Ingalsbe, Jack Marren, Kristine Singer, Mark Venuti, Frederick Wille.

Others present in addition to committee members:

- Alissa Bub, Deputy County Administrator
- Meghan Maslyn, Deputy County Administrator
- Holly Adams, County Attorney
- Lea Nacca, Assistant County Attorney
- Matt Turetsky, Assistant County Attorney
- Mary Gates, Finance Director
- Nellie Puma, Deputy Finance Director
- Adeline Rudolph, Republican Election Commissioner
- John Rizzo, Fiscal Manager
- Kathy Dunn, Fiscal Manager
- Chris Day, DPW Commissioner
- Mike Rago, Undersheriff
- Tim Record
- Michele Smith, HR Director, Webex
- Kate Ott, Public Health Director, Webex
- Missy White, Fiscal Manager, Webex
- Erin Holley, Sr. Clerk, Webex
- Patricia Simmons, Webex
- William Wellman, BOS Chairman
- William Namestnik, Town of Hopewell Supervisor
- Nancy Yacci, City of Canandaigua Supervisor
- Jan Regan, City of Geneva Supervisor
- Kristin Voss, BOS Clerk
- Carrie Bleakley, Conflict Defender
- Jessica Mitchell, Mental Health Director
- Triciajean Saxton, OFA Director
- Julie Barry, Associate Planner
- Josh Colton, Security Coordinator
- Dennine Leeson, Real Property Director
- Jason MacBride, District Attorney
- Mike Flatt, Safety Coordinator
- Jason Tack, FLCC V.P. of Finance
- Jackie Augustine
- Jeff Trickler, County Treasurer, Webex
- Jesse Gotham, Engineer
- Jenifer Langer, Purchasing Director, Webex

2. Approval of Minutes:

Supervisor Jack Marren motioned to approve the minutes of the January 7, 2026 Ways and Means Committee meeting. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Kristine Singer. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): David Baker, John Cowley, Peter Ingalsbe, Jack Marren, Kristine Singer, Mark Venuti, Frederick Wille. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

3. Presentation:

Jackie Augustne is requesting the County provide matching funds for the Geneva Greenway Trail Project. The City of Geneva is applying for a NYS DOT grant, and they are seeking funding for a portion of the 20% local match funding. The local match would be around \$600,000. A small portion of the local match could come from in-kind services. The City of Geneva is seeking \$300,000 from the County towards the local match.

The friends of the Geneva Greenway are working with the City on this project. Geneva Greenway received ARPA funding for building a pedestrian bridge on the trail. This funding would fund the other two bridges that are needed and the rest of the work that needs to be done to finish the project.

4. County Administrator:

As the committee members already heard Chris DeBolt's explanation of the executive budget, Alissa Bub did not explain the process again in his absence.

5. Planning Department & FLCC Capital Projects:

Julie Barry presented the following resolutions entitled:

~ Capital Project No. H082-22 - Ontario Beach / East Lake Landing Improvements Project - Contract Amendment with Environmental Design & Research, Landscape Architecture, Engineering & Environmental Services, D.P.C. for Construction Administration Services and Budget Transfer

~ Capital Project No. H082-22 - Ontario Beach/ East Lake Landing Improvements Project - Award of Bid B25080 to Holley Construction for Construction and Budget Transfer

Supervisor Jack Marren motioned to approve these resolutions, as presented as a block. The motion was seconded by Supervisor John Cowley. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): David Baker, John Cowley, Peter Ingalsbe, Jack Marren, Kristine Singer, Mark Venuti, Frederick Wille. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Julie Barry presented a resolution entitled, "Capital Project No. H111-25 2025 - FLCC Maintenance Capital Project - Authorize a Contract with Signs Now of Rochester and Budget Transfer".

Supervisor Jack Marren motioned to approve the resolution as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Peter Ingalsbe. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): David Baker, John Cowley, Peter Ingalsbe, Jack Marren, Kristine Singer, Mark Venuti, Frederick Wille. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

6. Public Works & Public Works Capital Projects:

Christopher Day presented the following resolutions entitled:

~ 2025 CIP Project BLDG CTC 21-15 - Budget Transfer

~ 2025 CIP Project BLDG 20 16-05 - Budget Transfer

~ 2025 CIP Project BLDG 83 22-19 - Budget Transfer

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- ~ Capital Project No. H073-20 - Humane Society - Budget Transfer
- ~ Capital Project No. H074-20 - Countywide Cold Storage - Budget Transfer

Supervisor Jack Marren motioned to approve these resolutions, as presented as a block. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Kristine Singer. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): David Baker, John Cowley, Peter Ingalsbe, Jack Marren, Kristine Singer, Mark Venuti, Frederick Wille. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

The committee then took action on the agenda addendum item. This can be found at the end of this section.

Jesse Gotham presented the following resolutions entitled:

- ~ Capital Project No. H097-23 - County Road 36 Over Honeoye Lake Inlet Bridge Replacement Project — Acceptance of Supplemental Agreement #1 to New York State Revenue Contract
- ~ Creation of Capital Project No. H114-26 - County Road 9 and Gillis Road Intersection Improvement; Authorizing the Implementation, and Funding in the First Instance 100% of the Federal-Aid and State “Marchiselli” Program-Aid Eligible Costs and Fully Funding the Local Share of Federal- and State-Aid Eligible and Ineligible Project Costs, of a Transportation Federal-Aid Project, and Appropriating Funds
- ~ Creation of Capital Project No. H115-26 - East Lake Road Over Mill Creek Bridge Replacement; Authorizing the Implementation, and Funding in the First Instance 100% of the Federal-Aid and State “Marchiselli” Program-Aid Eligible Costs and Fully Funding the Local Share of Federal- and State-Aid Eligible and Ineligible Project Costs, of a Transportation Federal-Aid Project, and Appropriating Funds
- ~ Creation of Capital Project No. H116-26 - Vogt Road over Flint Creek Bridge Replacement; Authorizing the Implementation, and Funding in the First Instance 100% of the Federal-Aid and State “Marchiselli” Program-Aid Eligible Costs and Fully Funding the Local Share of Federal- and State-Aid Eligible and Ineligible Project Costs, of a Transportation Federal-Aid Project, and Appropriating Funds

Supervisor Peter Ingalsbe motioned to approve these resolutions, as presented as a block. The motion was seconded by Supervisor John Cowley. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): David Baker, John Cowley, Peter Ingalsbe, Jack Marren, Kristine Singer, Mark Venuti, Frederick Wille. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

7. Governmental Operations & Insurance:

Dennine provided a brief overview of the 2026 wholly exempt committee report.

8. Health & Human Services:

Kate Ott presented the following resolutions entitled:

- ~ Authorization to Accept the 2025, Year-13, NY State Article 6 Incentive Award
- ~ Authorization to Accept the New York State Association of County Health Officials (NYSACHO) Award for the Climate and Health Initiative 2025-2026

Supervisor Jack Marren motioned to approve these resolutions, as presented as a block. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Mark Venuti. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): David Baker, John Cowley, Peter Ingalsbe, Jack Marren, Kristine Singer, Mark Venuti, Frederick Wille. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Kate Ott presented the following resolutions entitled:

~ Authority to Cancel Uncollectible Debts for Ontario County Public Health - 2023, 2024 and January-June 2025

~ Authority to Cancel Uncollectible Debts Ontario County Mental Health – 2nd-4th Quarters of 2025

~ Cancellation of State Aid Funding from New York State Office of Mental Health Block Grant - Ontario County Mental Health

Supervisor Jack Marren motioned to approve these resolutions, as presented as a block. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Kristine Singer. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): David Baker, John Cowley, Peter Ingalsbe, Jack Marren, Kristine Singer, Mark Venuti, Frederick Wille. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Triciajean Saxton presented the following resolutions entitled:

~ Transfer of Funds - 2026 County Budget - Office for the Aging

~ Authorization to Purchase a County Vehicle Using Unmet Needs Funds

Supervisor John Cowley motioned to approve these resolutions, as presented as a block. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Peter Ingalsbe. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): David Baker, John Cowley, Peter Ingalsbe, Jack Marren, Kristine Singer, Mark Venuti, Frederick Wille. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

9. Public Safety:

Undersheriff Rago presented a resolution entitled, "Budget Transfer Request from Sheriff's Office Federal Forfeiture Reserve".

Supervisor Kristine Singer motioned to approve the resolution as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Frederick Wille. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): David Baker, John Cowley, Peter Ingalsbe, Jack Marren, Kristine Singer, Mark Venuti, Frederick Wille. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Undersheriff Rago presented a resolution entitled, "Authorizing Eight-Year agreement with Axon Enterprise, Inc. for Axon Interview for the Sheriff's office (2026-2034)".

Supervisor John Cowley motioned to approve the resolution as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Frederick Wille. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): David Baker, John Cowley, Peter Ingalsbe, Jack Marren, Kristine Singer, Mark Venuti, Frederick Wille. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Undersheriff Rago presented a resolution entitled, "Authorizing Transfer of Funds - Appropriation of Equipment Reserves".

Supervisor John Cowley motioned to approve the resolution as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Peter Ingalsbe. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): David Baker, John Cowley, Peter Ingalsbe, Jack Marren, Kristine Singer, Mark Venuti, Frederick Wille. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

10. Human Resources:

Josh Colton gave a brief overview of the 2025 year-end security and workplace violence report.

Michele Smith presented a resolution entitled, "Resolution Creating a Deputy Commissioner of Elections (Temporary) Position".

Supervisor Peter Ingalsbe motioned to approve the resolution as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Kristine Singer. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): David Baker, John Cowley, Peter Ingalsbe, Jack Marren, Kristine Singer, Mark Venuti, Frederick Wille. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Michele Smith presented a resolution entitled, "Create a Finance Clerk II Position and Abolish a Senior Clerk Position".

Supervisor Kristine Singer motioned to approve the resolution as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Jack Marren. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): David Baker, John Cowley, Peter Ingalsbe, Jack Marren, Kristine Singer, Mark Venuti, Frederick Wille. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Michele Smith presented a resolution entitled, "Create a Probation Officer I/Probation Officer I (Spanish Speaking) Position and Abolish a Probation Officer I Position".

Supervisor John Cowley motioned to approve the resolution as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Mark Venuti. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): David Baker, John Cowley, Peter Ingalsbe, Jack Marren, Kristine Singer, Mark Venuti, Frederick Wille. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Michele Smith presented the following resolutions entitled:

~ Create a Senior Assistant Conflict Defender Position and Abolish an Assistant Conflict Defender Position

~ Create Two Senior Assistant County Attorney Positions and Abolish Two Assistant County Attorney Positions

~ Create Two Senior Assistant District Attorney Positions and Abolish Three Assistant District Attorney Positions

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~ Create Two Senior Assistant Public Defender Positions and Abolish Two Assistant Public Defender Positions

Supervisor Peter Ingalsbe motioned to approve these resolutions, as presented as a block. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Jack Marren. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): David Baker, John Cowley, Peter Ingalsbe, Jack Marren, Kristine Singer, Mark Venuti, Frederick Wille. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Michele Smith presented a resolution entitled, "Creation of Two Senior Fiscal Manager (Temporary) Positions".

Supervisor Jack Marren motioned to approve the resolution as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Kristine Singer. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): David Baker, John Cowley, Peter Ingalsbe, Jack Marren, Kristine Singer, Mark Venuti, Frederick Wille. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Michele Smith presented a resolution entitled, "Resolution Authorizing Salary Adjustment for Christopher Folk, Assistant District Attorney".

Supervisor Kristine Singer motioned to approve the resolution as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Peter Ingalsbe. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): David Baker, John Cowley, Peter Ingalsbe, Jack Marren, Kristine Singer, Mark Venuti, Frederick Wille. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Michele Smith presented a resolution entitled, "Resolution Amending 2026 Salaries for Managerial/Confidential Personnel in the Attorney Compensation Plan".

Supervisor Kristine Singer motioned to approve the resolution as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Frederick Wille. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): David Baker, John Cowley, Peter Ingalsbe, Jack Marren, Kristine Singer, Mark Venuti, Frederick Wille. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Michele Smith presented a resolution entitled, "Resolution Authorizing Salary Adjustment for Michael Staszkiw, Assistant District Attorney".

Supervisor Peter Ingalsbe motioned to approve the resolution as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Frederick Wille. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): David Baker, John Cowley, Peter Ingalsbe, Jack Marren, Kristine Singer, Mark Venuti, Frederick Wille. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Michele Smith presented the following resolutions entitled:

~ Authorizing Memorandum of Agreement No. 1-2026 with Ontario County Employees' Unit, Local 835, Civil Services Employees' Association, Inc. related to Wireless Communication Devices

~ Authorizing Memorandum of Agreement No. 2-2026 with Ontario County Employees' Unit, Local

835, Civil Services Employees' Association, Inc. related to Experience Step Adjustments

Supervisor Jack Marren motioned to approve these resolutions, as presented as a block. The motion was seconded by Supervisor John Cowley. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): David Baker, John Cowley, Peter Ingalsbe, Jack Marren, Kristine Singer, Mark Venuti, Frederick Wille. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Mike Flatt let the committee know that there was an increase in both recordable and non-recordable injuries for 2025 over 2024. He will be doing some training for job safety analysis and accident investigations.

11. Treasurer:

Dennine Leeson asked the committee if they had any questions about the correction of errors report, for corrections that were processed for under \$2,500, that was in their packet. The committee had no questions.

12. Finance Department:

Mary Gates presented a resolution entitled, "Budget Transfer Procedures for Operational Budget".

Supervisor Kristine Singer motioned to approve the resolution as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Jack Marren. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): David Baker, John Cowley, Peter Ingalsbe, Jack Marren, Kristine Singer, Mark Venuti, Frederick Wille. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Mary Gates presented the 2025 year-end budget transfers for the committee's approval.

Supervisor John Cowley motioned to approve the budget transfers as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Peter Ingalsbe. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): David Baker, John Cowley, Peter Ingalsbe, Jack Marren, Kristine Singer, Mark Venuti, Frederick Wille. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Mary Gates let the committee know that the auditors are here, and the audits are almost completed. Their exit meeting is scheduled for the first week of March. She also informed the committee that 1.37 million in cannabis tax revenue was disbursed in the month of December. This included the interest that was being earned while it was being figured out how to disburse the funds. Finance will be disbursing another \$149,000 in February to municipalities. Sales tax revenue for 2025 can in at year-end up 7.7% over 2024 and January 2026 came in up from January 2025.

13. County Administrator:

Meghan Maslyn and Lea Nacca gave a brief overview of the short-term rental registry law. The County needs to decide if they are going to opt in or out by June 25, 2026.

After hearing the presentation, the committee unanimously agreed to not opt into the registry at this

time and to work with State representatives to continue trying to update our occupancy tax law. If we can update our occupancy tax law, then we may want to consider opting in at a later date.

Alissa Bub provided a brief overview of the ARPA year-end information. This is also on our website under the finance department. The grant program has spent 72% of the funding and the rest of the fund should be disbursed in the next few months.

14. Addendum:

Christopher Day presented a resolution entitled, "Authorization to Purchase Equipment for the Highway Bureau".

Supervisor Jack Marren motioned to approve the resolution as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor John Cowley. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): David Baker, John Cowley, Peter Ingalsbe, Jack Marren, Kristine Singer, Mark Venuti, Frederick Wille. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

A lengthy discussion ensued with the committee regarding the intent to authorize matching funds for City of Geneva trails. Supervisors Venuti and Regan spoke passionately in support of the project. Supervisor Ingalsbe, Baker, and Wille have reservations about whether the county can legally provide these funds and, if we do, then we will have to provide funds to every municipality for their trails.

Mark Venuti presented a resolution entitled, "Intent to Authorize Ontario County Matching Funds for City of Geneva Trails".

Supervisor Frederick Wille motioned to approve the resolution as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Jack Marren. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): John Cowley, Jack Marren, Kristine Singer, Mark Venuti, Frederick Wille. No: Supervisor(s): David Baker, Peter Ingalsbe. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Michele Smith presented the following resolutions entitled:

~ Resolution Authorizing Salary Adjustment for Bianca D'Angelo, Senior Assistant District Attorney

~ Resolution Authorizing Salary Adjustment for Robin Catalano, Senior Assistant District Attorney

Supervisor Peter Ingalsbe motioned to approve these resolutions, as presented as a block. The motion was seconded by Supervisor John Cowley. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): David Baker, John Cowley, Peter Ingalsbe, Jack Marren, Kristine Singer, Mark Venuti, Frederick Wille. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Michele Smith presented a discussion entitled, "Revised Salary Guidelines for Managerial/Confidential and Assistant Attorney Positions Based on Experience & Education".

Supervisor Mark Venuti motioned to approve the discussion as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor John Cowley. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): David Baker, John Cowley, Peter Ingalsbe, Jack Marren, Kristine Singer, Mark

Venuti, Frederick Wille. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

15. Unfinished Business or Other Items to be Brought before the Committee:

There was no other business to be brought before the Committee.

16. Executive Session:

Supervisor John Cowley motioned to enter executive session at 5:57 PM for POL§105 (1) (e) - Discussions on collective negotiations pursuant to Article 14 of the Civil Services Law (the Taylor Law), POL§105 (1) (d) - Discussions regarding proposed, pending or current litigation, and POL§105 (1) (f) - Discussions on the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation. Supervisor Jack Marren seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Supervisor Kristine Singer motioned to exit executive session at 5:11 PM. Supervisor Mark Venuti seconded the motion. The motion passed.

17. Finger Lakes Community College (FLCC):

Lea Nacca presented a Resolution entitled, "Approval of Collective Bargaining Agreement 2025-2029 Finger Lakes Community College and the County of Ontario, and Finger Lakes Community College CSEA, Unit 7850-2, Ontario County Local 835".

Supervisor Jack Marren motioned to approve the resolution as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor John Cowley. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): David Baker, John Cowley, Peter Ingalsbe, Jack Marren, Kristine Singer, Mark Venuti, Frederick Wille. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

18. Next meeting date and time:

March 11, 2026 at 3:00 PM.

19. Adjournment:

On a motion of Supervisor John Cowley, seconded by Supervisor Peter Ingalsbe, the Ways and Means Committee meeting was adjourned at 05:12 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Kristin A. Voss, Clerk