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FINANCE, LEGAL AND SAFETY COMMITTEE
October 13, 2026
10:30 A.M.

ATTENDANCE:

Legislators: Chair Monell, Ciotoli, Standinger, Aronstam, Flesher, Rose, Cantella, Bunce, Brown

Staff: Legislative Clerk Haskell, County Attorney DeWind, Chief Accountant Schurter, Safety Officer Holbrook, Personnel Officer Parke, County Administrator Bailey, Treasurer Roberts, Deputy Treasurer Stagg, District Attorney Martin, Public Defender Arcesi

Guest(s): N/A

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: Legislator Bunce asked for a motion to approve September 15, 2026, minutes. Legislator Monell made the motion seconded by Legislator Brown and was unanimously carried.

FINANCIAL: Safety and Legal's budgets are tracking well. Continuing to monitor outside counsel and translation costs.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Litigation and Claims: Continuing to manage and monitor claims. Claim challenging a criminal prosecution was finally resolved after many motions in a variety of courts. Continuing to work on finalizing this year's In Rem action which will be brought to the Legislature when complete.
- PESH Inspection Follow-Up: Safety Officer Holbrook discussed the voluntary inspection process and the positive results.
- NYMIR Risk Management Review Follow-Up: There was a brief discussion on a potential recommendation regarding building safety

NEW BUSINESS:

- Automated External Defibrillator (AED) Purchase: Safety Officer Holbrook reviewed how funds are being saved and the need for this equipment.
- Empire State Safety Conference: Ms. Holbrook will be attending this conference from October 21 through October 22, 2026.

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- 3rd Assistant County Attorney Vacancy: This position remains open due to a lack of candidate interest. Discussion on budgetary options and implications if converted to a full-time position.

RESOLUTIONS: APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS AND MODIFICATION OF THE 2026 BUDGET COUNTY ATTORNEY, MODIFY 2026 BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS SAFETY OFFICE, AUTHORIZE AMENDED CONTRACT BETWEEN NYS OFFICE OF INDIGENT LEGAL SERVICES AND TIOGA COUNTY, and TRANSFER OF FUNDS 2026 BUDGET MODIFICATION DISTRICT ATTORNEY were moved into full Legislative session without further questions.

PROCLAMATIONS: N/A

EXECUTIVE SESSION: N/A

ADJOURNMENT: Legislator Bunce adjourned the Finance, Legal and Safety Committee meeting at 11:27 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter DeWind

County Attorney