

MADISON COUNTY FINANCE WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

Meeting Agenda - Thursday, June 25, 2026

Call Meeting to Order

The Committee convened in the Supervisors Chambers, second floor, County Office Building, Wampsville, NY. Supervisor Reger, Supervisor Jones, Supervisor Samsel, Supervisor Kinville and Supervisor Walrod were present.

OTHERS PRESENT:

FWM Secretary Jennifer Cossette, Finance Director Lou Anne Randall, Supervisor Rex Vosburg, Clerk to the Board of Supervisors Emily Burns, County Clerk Michael Keville, Supervisor Tom Daviau, Supervisor Mary Cavanagh, Public Information Officer Samantha Field, Assistant Finance Director Keith Lummis, Budget Analyst Susan McConnell, County Treasurer Cindy Edick, County Administrator Mark Scimone, Chairman Cunningham and Chief of Operations of SEVAC Hayden Scott.

A quorum being present, Chairman Kyle Reger called the meeting to order at 9:00AM.

Approval of Minutes

1. May 28, 2026 Draft Meeting Minutes

On motion by Supervisor Jones, seconded by Supervisor Samsel, the motion was made to approve the May 28, 2026. The motion was passed.

Finance/Payroll

Finance Director Lou Anne Randall

Finance Director Randall reported that the audit was almost complete. No other updates for regular committee business.

Treasurer/Budget Officer

County Treasurer Cindy Edick

1. Sales Tax Report

Sales tax continues to trend upward with distributions through June 15, 2026 up by 6% from last year.

2. Off-Track Betting Update

Treasurer Edick provided the Committee with a brief update on Off-Track Betting and then inquired regarding a plan for the quarterly and annual financial statements. County Clerk Keville suggested that Treasurer Edick speak with the Records Management Coordinator, Matt Shaler, who could identify where such records fall on the LGS-1 retention schedule and also consider digitizing the records.

Treasurer Edick noted that the Supreme Court made their ruling on the Pung v. Isabella County, Michigan case. County Attorney Tina Wayland-Smith reported that the decision was good news for the County, with the Supreme Court deciding that the

auction price in a fairly conducted tax sale is indicative of the fair market value.

Treasurer Edick reported that fifty-two parcels will be going for tax foreclosure action this fall with one more visit to post notices scheduled in July. Lastly, Ms. Edick noted that the new occupancy tax platform was progressing.

Real Property Tax Services

County Clerk's Office / DMV

County Clerk Michael Keville

June 2026 Clerk Report:

The Numbers:

DMV- MTD

In Office County Retention- \$107,335.32; 34% Increase over 2024

Transactions- 11,588; 30% Increase over 2024

DMV YTD

Office total- \$11,660,994.00; Increase 10.5% over 2024

Transactions- 79,361; 21% Increase

Office retention- \$703,960.44; 16% Increase over 2024

Total Retention- \$754,878.27; 17% Increase over 2024

Recording Clerk MTD Figures

Recording Fees

\$52,742.50; 16% Increase

Local Mortgage Tax

\$62,877.50; 52% Increase

Local Transfer Tax

\$117,760.00; 58% Increase

Recording Clerk YTD Figures

Recording Fees

\$317,237.00; 4% INCREASE

Local Mortgage Tax

\$270,345.83; 9% INCREASE

Local Transfer Tax

\$460,552.00; 17% INCREASE

DMV- We have hired retired Deputy County Clerk Sandy Jordan as a FT MVR. As the numbers show we have been VERY busy.

Clerk's Office- We hired two part time summer interns. Once is working on back helping us clear out old court case paper files, the other is learning the clerk's office tasks, potential to bring on full time if she meets requirements. Phyllis Sweeten is retiring tomorrow, the last of the recording who was here when I took office. We will not replace

her since we had hired "up" in anticipation of her retirement.

Plans for the office remodel are moving forward, we're patiently waiting for the contractor to finish some other jobs and prepare the counters/desks in their cabinet shop before coming on site to begin the project.

Polimorphic- A phone answering AI Agent service. Looking to have them for the remainder of the year at \$5,000. And then a \$15,000 contract for each of the next two years. I have funds in the budget this year, which I can move around to cover this cost.

Equity Protect- opportunity to work with a company with preventative services to protect against deed fraud. Will require some contingency for this year's budget. \$4,000.00

Credit Card processing- MSB has been a nightmare to work with for the past year. We're in talks with another service provider, just waiting to see their rate proposals. Once we have that ironed out, we will be looking to switch.

Records Management: Getting scanners so that HR can work on getting roster cards digitized, resolutions digitized, clearing out paper cases from the Clerk's Office. Several county wide initiatives will be implemented from the NYALGRO conference earlier this month.

Historian- Matt Urtz provided an update on the \$15,000 grant received as part of the America 250th Anniversary. The County has partnered with Madison County Tourism and will be welcoming history teachers from 4th, 8th and 11th grade in August to share the role of the Oneida Indian Nation in the American Revolution. Teachers who participate will also have an opportunity to visit Ft. Stanwix or the Oriskany monument as well as take their students on a field trip this fall. As part of the grant, there will also be three screenings of a documentary about the Oneida Indian Nation about their involvement in the American Revolution.

Lastly, Mr. Urtz reported that with a separate grant he was able to digitize the Supervisors Journals from 1847 to present.

Resolutions

1. Resolution Authorizing the Modification of the 2026 Adopted Budget (Caz Building)
2. Resolution Authorizing the Modification of the 2026 Adopted Budget (Treasurer)
3. Resolution Authorizing the Modification of the 2026 Adopted Budget (WOW Committee)
4. Resolution Authorizing the Modification of the 2026 Adopted Budget (Highway CHIPS)

On motion by Supervisor Samsel, seconded by Supervisor Jones, the motion was made to approve Resolutions #1-4 . The motion was approved.

5. Rescinding the Emergency Medical Service Agency Funding Plan and Directing the Removal of County Funding for Emergency Medical Service Agencies

On motion by Supervisor Walrod, seconded by Supervisor Kinville, the motion was made to approve Resolution #5. Significant discussion followed. A vote was then taken, and the motion was approved with Supervisor Samsel, Supervisor Kinville and Supervisor Walrod voting 'yes' and Supervisor Reger and Supervisor Jones voting 'no.'

Other Committee Business

Preferred Agenda

It was the consensus of the Finance, Ways and Means Committee to allow any eligible resolutions from today's meeting to be added to the preferred agenda.

Next Meeting - July 30, 2026

The next meeting of the Finance, Ways and Means Committee will be held on July 30, 2026 at 9:00 AM in the Chambers.

Executive Session

A motion was made by Supervisor Jones to enter into Executive Session at 9:55 AM to discuss the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation. Supervisor Kinville seconded the motion, and it was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Supervisor Jones to exit Executive Session at 10:23 AM. Supervisor Samsel seconded the motion, and it was unanimously carried.

Adjourn

On motion by Supervisor Kinville, seconded by Supervisor Samsel, the Finance, Ways and Means Committee adjourned at 10:27 AM.

Respectfully submitted by Jennifer Cossette on behalf of Chairman Kyle Reger.