

LATE-FILE

REFERRED TO: FINANCE/LEGAL COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. -20 RESOLUTION CALLING ON THE
STATE OF NEW YORK TO RELEASE ENHANCED
FEDERAL MEDICAID MATCHING FUNDS TO
COUNTIES

WHEREAS: In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, Congress has enacted extraordinary measures to help states and localities with increased costs and lost revenue; and

WHEREAS: A key action enacted by the federal government was a 6.2 percent increase in the federal medical assistance percentage (FMAP); and

WHEREAS: Congress has used this mechanism to provide fiscal relief to states and their local government Medicaid funding partners to reduce the financial burden they often experience in an economic downturn; and

WHEREAS: We understand the State of New York has already drawn down about \$2.5 billion for the period January 1, 2020 through June 30, 2020; and

WHEREAS: Under federal law a portion of these funds are required to be passed through to counties; and

WHEREAS: We estimate the local share is about 20 percent; and

WHEREAS: Counties are struggling with higher costs associated with responding to COVID-19 and experiencing extensive revenue declines due to the shutdown of large swaths of the economy; and

WHEREAS: In addition to mounting losses in local revenues, counties are also expecting significant cuts in state aid; and

WHEREAS: Many counties have enacted plans to reduce non-mandated expenses to the degree they can without sacrificing public health and safety; and

WHEREAS: These expense reductions also require a review of the workforce, including layoffs; and

WHEREAS: We project that each quarter of enhanced FMAP funding is worth hundreds of millions of dollars for counties; and

WHEREAS: The State has been holding three years of similar enhanced FMAP payments owed to counties under the Affordable Care Act that are worth hundreds of millions of dollars; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the County of Tioga is requesting that the State immediately release the first quarter of enhanced Medicaid federal matching funds for the pandemic response to Tioga County to provide some partial fiscal relief to the current conditions; and be it further

RESOLVED: We request that the State provide a timeline to all counties on the release of the enhanced federal Medicaid matching funds related to the Affordable Care Act that have been withheld for years and the likely mechanism on how these funds will be delivered to counties; and be it further

RESOLVED: We understand the State is experiencing severe fiscal stress, as well, and we want to work cooperatively with the State to develop a plan on the release of the withheld federal enhanced Medicaid funds due to counties under the Affordable Care Act and future pandemic FMAP increased funding; and be it further

RESOLVED: That this resolution be sent to Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, the New York State Legislature, the New York State Congressional Delegation, the New York State Association of Counties, and all others deemed necessary and appropriate.

REFERRED TO: FINANCE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. -20 ERRONEOUS ASSESSMENT
TOWN OF TIOGA

WHEREAS: An application for Corrected Tax Roll for the year 2020 indicates that parcel #106.00-1-2.20 Account #2050 in the Town of Tioga assessed to Ray L Wiggins on the 2020 tax roll of the Town of Tioga is erroneous in that the Owego Apalachin Central School District returned an unpaid school bill that was protected by bankruptcy; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That a new tax bill be issued to Ray Wiggins as follows:

	Original Bill #	Corrected Bill #
County	\$922.52	\$922.52
Recycle	\$52.98	\$52.98
Town Wide	\$363.04	\$363.04
School	\$1,798.52	\$0.00
Fire	\$118.84	\$118.84
Total	\$3,255.90	\$1,457.38

and be it further

RESOLVED: That the erroneous school tax of \$1,680.86 be charged back to the Owego Apalachin Central School District; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the Tioga County Treasurer's penalty of \$117.66 be charged to the proper account in the records of the County Treasurer's Office.