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10:30 AM USDA Farm Service Agency w/Brett Naas			
1. Introduction of Mr. Naas, County Executive Director <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Naas provided the committee with a brief background of who he is and what he did prior to becoming the Director. 		Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:
2. General Update of programs.		Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:
Upstate Niagara Milk Cooperative Update w/S. Klein			
1. General Update: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recently released – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Dairy demand 60 yr. high. We are filling demand. Whole milk fastest growing segment of all. ○ School sales are off 35% YTD ○ College volume down 45% ○ Pricing hovering @ low \$16 range through year-end. Early next year high \$14 ct. wt. ○ Dairy farmers of America closed cheese plant in York. Craig Station Creamery. Although not completely closed, other products are still being produced. • Lactallis USA –largest dairy company in the world <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ US headquarters in Buffalo. French company ○ Kraft has sold product lines. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ What that means? Too early to tell • Harvest going on <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 1 1/2" rain last night • Potato harvest is ahead. Dryness allowed for rapid movement 		Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:

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10:30 AM Animal Control w/J. Goodell			
2. <i>Renew Resolution for Order of Protection for Deer</i> – Wyoming County Department of Animal Control has indicated that there is potential for unnecessary loss to the white tailed deer population due to dogs chasing the deer. Resolution would require that all dogs in the County of Wyoming be securely confined for the period of <i>November 1, 2020 through April 1, 2021</i> , under Article 7, Section 122 of the New York State Agriculture and Markets Law.		Motion: Granger Ayes: 9 Noes: Absent:	Carried: XXX Defeated: Referred to: *RESOLUTION
3. <i>Renew Resolution for Confinement of Dogs</i> - which requires that all dogs in the County of Wyoming shall be securely confined from dusk to dawn for the period of <i>January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021</i> , under Article 7, Section 122 of the New York State Agriculture and Markets Law.		Motion: Granger Ayes: 9 Noes: Absent:	Carried: XXX Defeated: Referred to: *RESOLUTION
4. <i>Inter-Municipal Agreements:</i> Authorize Chairwoman to sign Inter-municipal Agreements with the 16 Towns in Wyoming County for Animal Control services; effective January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2025. Fees: Spayed or Neutered Dogs \$6.00 per dog, per year. Unspayed or Unneutered Dogs \$13.00 per dog, per year.	Supporting documentation outstanding.	Motion: Granger Ayes: 9 Noes: Absent:	Carried: XXX Defeated: Referred to: *RESOLUTION

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<p>5. Professional Services Contract (\$3,001 - \$5,000): Authorize Chairman to sign a contract with <i>Genesee Valley Farm & Crematory</i>, 3520 S. Main Street, P. O. Box 1604, Batavia, NY 14021 for disposal of deceased animals in an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00 (Dogs under 40# \$20, 40-80# \$45, Dogs over 80# \$80.00, Cats \$10, Other \$10 per animal (raccoons, etc.)); effective January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2023.</p>	<p><i>Supporting documentation outstanding.</i></p>	<p>Motion: Brunner Ayes: 9 Noes: Absent:</p>	<p>Carried: XXX Defeated: Referred to:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">APPROVED</p>
10:45 AM Soil & Water Conservation District w/A. Fagan			
<p>1. Invitation to Tour 2020 Soil & Water Projects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • October 5, 2020 • Details will be provided in a day or two... 	<p><u>Agenda attached</u></p>	<p>Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:</p>	<p>Carried: Defeated: Referred to:</p>
<p>2. FYI:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Wyoming County Soil and Water Conservation District Summer 2020 - Celebrating 40 Years!</u> 		<p>Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:</p>	<p>Carried: Defeated: Referred to:</p>
<p>3. General Update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grants - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ no word on future awards from the state • Soil and Water provided a 23% cut for 2020 budget (\$36K) on their own... • 20% reduction requested for 2021 would amount to a collective \$70K, therefore Budget Officer Cook did not make the 20% budget reduction for 2021 • District Mg. Fagan described reimbursement of positions through grant funding each time a grant is completed. 		<p>Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:</p>	<p>Carried: Defeated: Referred to:</p>

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11:00 AM Cooperative Extension w/A. Griffith, H. Harwood, S. Clark, S. Luders			
1. Review The Fair That Wasn't focused August 2020 edition of <u><i>The Show Times</i></u>		Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:
Budget Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Budget Officer Cook explained the mechanics of a partial deferment of the 2020 4th quarter subsidy payment to the 1st quarter of 2021. 		Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:
2. Update by 4-H Team <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maple School <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Currently up in the air, but we hope to hold something like it (in a heavily modified format) in late fall/winter. Woods Walk taking place <ul style="list-style-type: none"> in Attica at several maple sites. (Oct. 3rd) CDL training Regional Team – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Report being under semi-drought conditions Personal Protective Equipment drive this fall to support autumn events Camp <ul style="list-style-type: none"> re-roofed a few cabins Completed some blue stone work State front 		Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:

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3. FYI: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4-H Week Proclamation by Chairwoman Ryan... 		Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:
10:30 AM Animal Control w/J. Goodell			
1. <u>August 2020 Monthly Update:</u>		Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:
Committee Chair's Agenda			
1. <u>Resolution in Opposition to a Proposed Late Deer Season Regulation.</u>	@ Supervisor Becker, T/Sheldon Supervisor Kehl, T/Attica spoke in opposition to the resolution citing concern over landowner rights.	Motion: Becker Ayes: 9 Noes: Absent:	Carried: XXX Defeated: Referred to: *RESOLUTION
2. NYS Agriculture Society Update: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> January 7th forum to be conducted virtually. The theme will focus on building a resilient food system in a COVID world. 		Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:
3. FYI: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>08/31/20 NYS DEC letter</u> regarding EAST KOY – WISCOY CREEK JAPANESE KNOTWEED application for a DEC permit is complete and a technical review has commenced for A-TIP CONTROL, INC. out of Dansville... 		Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:

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4. <i>Amend Resolution #20-233</i> to increase the 2018/2019 New York State Snowmobile Grant-In-Aid Program funding provided by Wyoming County to the Wyoming County Snowmobile Federation by \$4,144.00 for a revised not to exceed amount of \$145,144.00 (previously \$141,000.00) .		Motion: Brick Ayes: 9 Noes: Absent:	Carried: XXX Defeated: Referred to: *RESOLUTION
County Forestlands			
1. <i>Permission to go out to a Request for Proposal (RFP) for a 10-year Forest Management Plan</i>	<i>Supervisor Kehl, T/Attica questioned sale of County owned forest lands...</i>	Motion: Klein Ayes: 9 Noes: Absent:	Carried: XXX Defeated: Referred to: APPROVED
Fair Association w/M. Roche			
		Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:
Conservation w/			
		Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:

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<i>Green Energy Committee</i>			
1. <i>Climate Action Council Advances Advisory Panel</i> B. Daly, Dir. of Planning & Development advised the committee that Martha Robertson, Tompkins County Legislator, sits on NYSAC's Climate Resiliency Committee, which does relate back to the Climate Action Council...	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>09-02-20 M. Robertson e-mail</u> • <u>Letter to Gov Sec Re CAC-2. 8-25-20</u> • <u>Resolution</u> • <u>CLCPA-Fact-Sheet 09-24-2020</u> 	Motion: Brunner Ayes: 9 Noes: Absent:	Carried: XXX Defeated: Referred to: *RESOLUTION
<i>Supervisor Brunner, T/Java expressed an interest in working with the Board Clerk on a Wyoming County version of the Tompkins County Resolution...</i>			

Signature of Committee Chairman: p/A. D. Berwanger & B. Becker (minutes prepared by C. Ketchum).

Next Agriculture Committee Meeting scheduled for **Wednesday, October 28, 2020 @ 10:30 AM.**

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