

**2022 County-Wide Shared Services Initiative
Public Hearing and Panel Meeting
Zoom
October 14th , 2021 5:30 pm**

Attendance: (9)

Ronnie Hardaway-Village of Lansing, Amie Hendrix-Tompkins County, Lisa Holmes-Tompkins County, Rod Howe-Town of Ithaca, Svante Myrick-City of Ithaca, Stephanie Redmond-Town of Enfield, Jeff Smith-Tompkins County Highway, Mark Witmer-Town of Caroline, Nancy Zahler-Town of Ulysses

Absent: (11)

Michael Allinger-Town of Newfield, David Fogel-Village of Freeville, Joel Gagnon-Town of Danby, Rordan Hart-Village of Trumansburg, Don Hartill-Village of Freeville, Ed La Vigne-Town of Lansing, Jason Leifer-Town of Dryden, Michael Murphy-Village of Dryden, Chris Neville-Village of Groton, Donald Scheffler-Town of Groton, Linda Woodard-Village of Cayuga Heights

Staff: (1)

Autumn Edwards, Secretary to the County Administrator

5:30 pm Public Hearing- There were no requests from the public to be heard.

5:33 pm Panel Meeting

Current areas being explored for 2022:

- A. Reimagining Public Safety- The City of Ithaca and Tompkins County are researching what may be eligible for the SS cost reimbursement. They will be meeting again next week to discuss. We will have more information at the next panel meeting.
- B. Redundancy in 911 operations- the Tompkins County Director of Emergency Response, Mike Stitley will be joining us at the next meeting to discuss.
- C. Ms. Zahler recommended looking into broader expansion of the 211 information service as well.
- D. Centralized Arraignment- Schenectady County will be sharing information with the County about their savings plan. Ms. Hendrix will update the group as she collects more information. Centralized Arraignment will be implemented in January 2022.
- E. Highway Cutting Edge Purchasing- Jeff Smith, Tompkins County Highway Director- Recommends a pilot for cutting edge purchases on an annual materials bid that could have potential for savings. Mr. Smith would certainly support this. Another idea that has been brought up in the past is for highway departments to share road salt purchases. Mr. Smith will do more research on these ideas and get back to the group.

Ideas to be explored in 2023

- A. Cayuga Watershed Projects
- B. Financial Software Purchasing IT Services
- C. CCA Renewable Energy
- D. Dog Control
- E. Municipal Broadband
- F. Electric Charging Stations
- G. County-Wide Code Enforcement

Next Steps

- A. Review of potential cost savings
- B. Draft report available by 10/22
- C. Next Meeting: October 27 at 5:30pm - will discuss 2022 and maybe get deeper into 2023 ideas.

Adjourned: 6:03 pm