



**TOMPKINS COUNTY**  
**COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS**

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*Douglas Austic, Chairperson*

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**APPROVED JANUARY 25, 2007**

**RESOLUTION NO. 001-2007 - IN SUPPORT OF CHANGING THE COUNTY FIRE  
ADVISORY BOARD BY-LAWS TO MODIFY  
MEMBERSHIP**

*MEMBERSHIP*

*City of:* MOVED by Richard Dolge, seconded by Ric Dietrich, and unanimously adopted with  
*Ithaca* one abstention.

*County of:* WHEREAS, the number, complexity and types of events requiring emergency services  
*Tompkins* are changing, and

*Towns of:* WHEREAS, the requirements for certification and demands upon emergency service  
*Caroline* providers is increasing, and

*Danby* WHEREAS, the County Fire Advisory Board by-laws were last modified in 1992, and

*Dryden* WHEREAS, the number of emergency volunteers is decreasing and number of paid  
*Enfield* service providers may consequently need to increase, and

*Groton* WHEREAS, State and Federal response plans require that municipal authorities adopt  
*Ithaca* and become trained in National Incident Management System (NIMS) protocol, and

*Lansing* WHEREAS, all of the above conditions will require more and improved coordination  
*Newfield* between municipal authorities,

*Ulysses*

*Villages of:* RESOLVED, That the Tompkins County Council of Governments recommends to the  
*Cayuga Heights* Tompkins County Legislature's Public Safety Committee that the By-laws of the TOMPKINS  
*Dryden* COUNTY FIRE, EMS & DISASTER ADVISORY BOARD membership be revised to include  
*Freeville* one representative from each of the nine towns emergency service providers and one from the  
*Groton* Ithaca Board of Fire Commissioners (a combination of City & Town of Ithaca areas protected  
*Lansing* by IFD) and an alternate; the appointee or alternate must be an active officer, director or  
*Trumansburg* Commissioner (depending on FD structure) of a department/company providing fire or EMS  
services within the naming jurisdiction (10 delegates, ten alternates); additionally there will be  
three at-large delegates, one of which to include representation from the commercial ambulance  
services. In addition, four delegates and four alternates would be proposed by the Council of  
Governments (which would include a town supervisor, a village mayor, a code enforcement  
officer and a highway superintendent or public works person). The Sheriff and a member of  
Public Safety Committee will serve in an ex-officio liaison position, and

RESOLVED, further, That the Advisory Board will meet at least quarterly, and



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RESOLVED, further, That each member of this Advisory Board will serve as a conduit to not only their local government bodies and fire companies, but also to their respective disciplines.

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*City of:*

*Ithaca*

*County of:*

*Tompkins*

*Towns of:*

*Caroline*

*Danby*

*Dryden*

*Enfield*

*Groton*

*Ithaca*

*Lansing*

*Newfield*

*Ulysses*

*Villages of:*

*Cayuga Heights*

*Dryden*

*Freeville*

*Groton*

*Lansing*

*Trumansburg*