



Sullivan County County Legislature Meeting Minutes - Final

Chairman Nadia Rajsz
Vice Chairman Joseph Perrello
Legislator Matt McPhillips
Legislator Brian McPhillips
Legislator Nicholas Salomone Jr.
Legislator Catherine Scott
Legislator Luis Alvarez
Legislator Amanda Ward
Legislator Terry Blosser-Bernardo

Thursday, August 21, 2025

10:30 AM

Government Center

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Rajsz called the August 21, 2025 Full Board meeting to order at 10:58am.

Roll Call of Legislators

Present: Chairman Nadia Rajsz
Vice Chairman Joseph Perrello
District 1 Legislator Matt McPhillips
District 3 Legislator Brian McPhillips
District 5 Legislator Catherine Scott
District 4 Legislator Nicholas Salomone Jr.
District 8 Legislator Amanda Ward
District 9 Legislator Terry Blosser-Bernardo
District 6 Legislator Luis Alvarez

Presentations - John Conway, County Historian

County Historian John Conway spoke about the upcoming 250th Anniversary of the Revolutionary War and regarding the Bicentennial Commission for the Revolutionary War and Independence Day. He further spoke about needing funding for this special event.

Communications

Clerk to the Legislature AnnMarie Martin read Communications.

COMMUNICATIONS**AUGUST 21, 2025**

1. Record Destruction Notification in accordance with Retention and Disposition Schedule LGS-01 filed by the following departments:
 - Risk Management and Insurance dated July 29th
 - DSS Temporary Assistance SNAP, Medicare and Child Care Units dated August 4th
 - Human Resources dated August 7th
 - OFA/SCV dated August 6th
 - Board of Elections dated August 13th
2. Comments received from James and Mary Rodgers of Long Eddy, New York that they are opposed to trash incinerators.
3. Copy of a letter dated July 16, 2025 sent to Sullivan County Representatives in the New York State Legislature from We are One Sullivan urging these officials to utilize their respective powers to support and promote three legislative initiatives designed to protect the residents of New York State from illegal persecution.

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Public Comment

1. Brittany made a public comment.
2. Brittany's husband made a public comment.
- 2.. Kathie Aberman made a public comment.
3. Diane Mestanza made a public comment.
4. Ken Walter made a public comment

At this point, Luis Alvarez left the meeting at 11:29am

5. Chris Lesser made a public comment.

Resolutions

1. Amend Resolution #551-17 to reflect a change in price from \$50 to \$75 effective January 1, 2026 [ID-7541](#)

Catherine Scott moved Resolutions #1-#10 in a block, seconded by Brian McPhillips, all in favor 8-0.

A motion was made by District 5 Legislator Catherine Scott, seconded by District 3 Legislator Brian McPhillips, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Rajsz, Perrello, McPhillips, McPhillips, Scott, Salomone, Ward, and Blosser-Bernardo

Absent: Alvarez

Enactment No: 318-25

2. Urge the NYS Legislature to pass Assembly Bill 2025-A,74 and Senate Bill S1183 [ID-7616](#)

A motion was made by District 5 Legislator Catherine Scott, seconded by District 3 Legislator Brian McPhillips, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Rajsz, Perrello, McPhillips, McPhillips, Scott, Salomone, Ward, and Blosser-Bernardo

Absent: Alvarez

Enactment No: 319-25

3. Authorize mileage reimbursement for the District Attorney Interns [ID-7628](#)

A motion was made by District 5 Legislator Catherine Scott, seconded by District 3 Legislator Brian McPhillips, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Rajsz, Perrello, McPhillips, McPhillips, Scott, Salomone, Ward, and Blosser-Bernardo

Absent: Alvarez

Enactment No: 320-25

4. Resolution to modify Resolution No. 252-25 enacted on June 19, 2025 to specify that all Memorandums of Understanding (MOUs) entered into by the Sullivan County Office for the Aging (SCOFA) with volunteer stations shall remain in effect for one (1) year, with the ability to renew annually for up to three (3) additional years, and reaffirms the County's commitment to establishing a county-administered volunteer program to continue the impact of the former federally funded RSVP program. [ID-7629](#)

Sponsors: Office for the Aging and Deoul

A motion was made by District 5 Legislator Catherine Scott, seconded by District 3 Legislator Brian McPhillips, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Rajsz, Perrello, McPhillips, McPhillips, Scott, Salomone, Ward, and Blosser-Bernardo

Absent: Alvarez
Enactment No: 321-25

5. Apportion the 2nd Quarter Mortgage Tax [ID-7634](#)

Attachments: [2nd Quarter Mortgage Tax AU-202](#)

A motion was made by District 5 Legislator Catherine Scott, seconded by District 3 Legislator Brian McPhillips, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Rajsz, Perrello, McPhillips, McPhillips, Scott, Salomone, Ward, and Blosser-Bernardo

Absent: Alvarez
Enactment No: 322-25

6. RESOLUTION INTRODUCED BY THE PLANNING AND COMMUNITY RESOURCES COMMITTEE TO AUTHORIZE A MODIFICATION OF RESOLUTION NUMBER 268-25 ADOPTED ON June 19, 2025. [ID-7641](#)

Sponsors: Office for the Aging and Deoul

A motion was made by District 5 Legislator Catherine Scott, seconded by District 3 Legislator Brian McPhillips, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Rajsz, Perrello, McPhillips, McPhillips, Scott, Salomone, Ward, and Blosser-Bernardo

Absent: Alvarez
Enactment No: 323-25

7. Lake Superior State Park currently offers snack and drink vending machines during beach operating hours. To enhance the experience patrons have at Lake Superior State Park and Request for Proposal (“RFP”) was executed for proposals for the operation of a mobile food concession. [ID-7647](#)

A motion was made by District 5 Legislator Catherine Scott, seconded by District 3 Legislator Brian McPhillips, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Rajsz, Perrello, McPhillips, McPhillips, Scott, Salomone, Ward, and Blosser-Bernardo

Absent: Alvarez
Enactment No: 324-25

8. Enter into an Agreement with the Town of Fallsburg for Capital work on the Sullivan O&W Rail Trail. [ID-7649](#)

A motion was made by District 5 Legislator Catherine Scott, seconded by District 3 Legislator Brian McPhillips, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Rajsz, Perrello, McPhillips, McPhillips, Scott, Salomone, Ward, and Blosser-Bernardo

Absent: Alvarez

Enactment No: 325-25

9. RESOLUTION INTRODUCED BY THE PUBLIC SAFETY AND LAW ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH SULLIVAN COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE TO PROVIDE SCHOLARSHIPS FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN (“EMT”) TRAINING [ID-7650](#)

A motion was made by District 5 Legislator Catherine Scott, seconded by District 3 Legislator Brian McPhillips, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Rajsz, Perrello, McPhillips, McPhillips, Scott, Salomone, Ward, and Blosser-Bernardo

Absent: Alvarez

Enactment No: 326-25

10. To amend Resolution No. 338-24 to include the word "annually" after the "total cost not to exceed \$150,000" in the "Now Therefore, Be It Resolved". [ID-7658](#)

A motion was made by District 5 Legislator Catherine Scott, seconded by District 3 Legislator Brian McPhillips, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Rajsz, Perrello, McPhillips, McPhillips, Scott, Salomone, Ward, and Blosser-Bernardo

Absent: Alvarez

Enactment No: 327-25

11. Resolution to authorize the final approval of the County’s Draft Local Solid Waste Management Plan (LSWMP) which is needed for final approval from the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC). [ID-7660](#)

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Joseph Perrello, seconded by District 3 Legislator Brian McPhillips, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Rajsz, Perrello, McPhillips, McPhillips, Salomone, Ward, and Blosser-Bernardo

Nay: Scott

Absent: Alvarez

Enactment No: 328-25

12. Resolution to authorize the County Manager to execute a modification agreement with Seneca Pavement Marking, Inc., dba SPM, Inc., to complete additional pavement marking installation on various County Roads. [ID-7665](#)

Catherine Scott moved Resolutions #12-#15 in a block, seconded by Matt McPhillips, all in favor 8-0.

A motion was made by District 5 Legislator Catherine Scott, seconded by District 1 Legislator Matt McPhillips, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Rajsz, Perrello, McPhillips, McPhillips, Scott, Salomone, Ward, and Blosser-Bernardo

Absent: Alvarez

Enactment No: 329-25

13. Resolution to execute a contract with Titan Roofing, Inc. for roof repairs not covered by warranty as required by Sullivan County Jail and Sheriff Administration Facility, Monticello NY. [ID-7666](#)

A motion was made by District 5 Legislator Catherine Scott, seconded by District 1 Legislator Matt McPhillips, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Rajsz, Perrello, McPhillips, McPhillips, Scott, Salomone, Ward, and Blosser-Bernardo

Absent: Alvarez

Enactment No: 330-25

14. RESOLUTION INTRODUCED BY HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE TO ABOLISH ONE (1) CRIME VICTIMS SERVICES ADVOCATE POSITION AND CREATE ONE (1) CRIME VICTIM SPECIALIST COORDINATOR POSITION IN THE SULLIVAN COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE [ID-7667](#)

A motion was made by District 5 Legislator Catherine Scott, seconded by District 1 Legislator Matt McPhillips, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Rajsz, Perrello, McPhillips, McPhillips, Scott, Salomone, Ward, and Blosser-Bernardo

Absent: Alvarez

Enactment No: 331-25

15. To Modify the 2025 Budget [ID-7673](#)

Attachments: [July 31 2025 Resolution Needed](#)

A motion was made by District 5 Legislator Catherine Scott, seconded by District 1 Legislator Matt McPhillips, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Rajsz, Perrello, McPhillips, McPhillips, Scott, Salomone, Ward, and Blosser-Bernardo

Absent: Alvarez

Enactment No: 332-25

16. Enact a proposed Local Law entitled “A Local Law to Amend Local Law 4 of 2021 and Local Law 4 of 2024” [ID-7580](#)

Attachments: [hunting local law final](#)

A motion was made by District 1 Legislator Matt McPhillips, seconded by District 3 Legislator Brian McPhillips, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Rajsz, Perrello, McPhillips, McPhillips, Scott, Salomone, Ward, and Blosser-Bernardo

Absent: Alvarez

Enactment No: 333-25

17. Amend Resolution No. 316-25 by deleting the line numbering language [ID-7653](#)

Catherine Scott moved resolutions #17-#20 in a block, seconded by Matt McPhillips, all in favor 8-0.

At this point, Luis Alvarez returned to the meeting at 11:36am.

A motion was made by District 5 Legislator Catherine Scott, seconded by District 1 Legislator Matt McPhillips, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Rajsz, Perrello, McPhillips, McPhillips, Scott, Salomone, Ward, and Blosser-Bernardo

Absent: Alvarez

Enactment No: 334-25

18. Issue a Negative Declaration regarding the addition of parcels of real property to existing certified agricultural districts in Sullivan County. [ID-7655](#)

Attachments: [AD EAF Short Form 07.29.2025](#)

A motion was made by District 5 Legislator Catherine Scott, seconded by District 1 Legislator Matt McPhillips, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Rajsz, Perrello, McPhillips, McPhillips, Scott, Salomone, Ward, and Blosser-Bernardo

Absent: Alvarez

Enactment No: 335-25

19. Include Viable Agricultural Land in Existing Certified Agricultural Districts in Sullivan County [ID-7656](#)

A motion was made by District 5 Legislator Catherine Scott, seconded by District 1 Legislator Matt McPhillips, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Rajs, Perrello, McPhillips, McPhillips, Scott, Salomone, Ward, and Blosser-Bernardo

Absent: Alvarez

Enactment No: 336-25

20. To abolish Resolutions No. 199-18 and 368-19 to adopt and approve the County of Sullivan's Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act Policy and Designations [ID-7659](#)

A motion was made by District 5 Legislator Catherine Scott, seconded by District 1 Legislator Matt McPhillips, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Rajs, Perrello, McPhillips, McPhillips, Scott, Salomone, Ward, and Blosser-Bernardo

Absent: Alvarez

Enactment No: 337-25

21. Extending the current tax rate on sales and uses of tangible personal property [ID-7664](#)

A motion was made by District 5 Legislator Catherine Scott, seconded by District 1 Legislator Matt McPhillips, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Rajs, Perrello, McPhillips, McPhillips, Scott, Salomone, Ward, Blosser-Bernardo, and Alvarez

Enactment No: 338-25

22. Adopt the 2025-2026 Sullivan County Community College Budget [ID-7671](#)

Attachments: [MartinA_250806-091557-268](#)

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Joseph Perrello, seconded by District 6 Legislator Luis Alvarez, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Rajs, Perrello, McPhillips, McPhillips, Scott, Salomone, Ward, Blosser-Bernardo, and Alvarez

Enactment No: 339-25

23. Adopt an updated guide for Reimbursement of Employees' Travel Expenses Policy [ID-7679](#)

Attachments: [Travel Policy effective 090125](#)
[draft with yellow highlights Travel Policy effective 090125](#)

Catherine Scott moved Resolutions #23-#37 in a block, seconded by Luis Alvarez.

A motion was made by District 5 Legislator Catherine Scott, seconded by District 6 Legislator Luis Alvarez, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Rajs, Perrello, McPhillips, McPhillips, Scott, Salomone, Ward, Blosser-Bernardo, and Alvarez

Enactment No: 340-25

24. Authorization to execute permitting documents for the development of the Callicoon Riverside Park. [ID-7681](#)

A motion was made by District 3 Legislator Brian McPhillips, seconded by District 6 Legislator Luis Alvarez, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Rajsz, Perrello, McPhillips, McPhillips, Scott, Salomone, Ward, Blosser-Bernardo, and Alvarez
Enactment No: 341-25

25. INTRODUCED BY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO REAPPOINT MEMBERS TO THE OFFICE FOR THE AGING ADVISORY COMMITTEE [ID-7682](#)

Sponsors: Office for the Aging and Deoul

A motion was made by District 5 Legislator Catherine Scott, seconded by District 6 Legislator Luis Alvarez, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Rajsz, Perrello, McPhillips, McPhillips, Scott, Salomone, Ward, Blosser-Bernardo, and Alvarez
Enactment No: 342-25

26. To Authorize the County Manager to Apply for and Accept the FY2025-2026 Recruitment and Retention Grant Program Award from NYS DHSES [ID-7683](#)

A motion was made by District 5 Legislator Catherine Scott, seconded by District 6 Legislator Luis Alvarez, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Rajsz, Perrello, McPhillips, McPhillips, Scott, Salomone, Ward, Blosser-Bernardo, and Alvarez
Enactment No: 343-25

27. Permit former owners to repurchase parcels [ID-7685](#)

Attachments: [2025 Repurch-PS 3](#)

A motion was made by District 5 Legislator Catherine Scott, seconded by District 6 Legislator Luis Alvarez, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Rajsz, Perrello, McPhillips, McPhillips, Scott, Salomone, Ward, Blosser-Bernardo, and Alvarez
Enactment No: 344-25

28. Authorize contract with Traffic and Parking Control, Co., LLC [ID-7688](#)

A motion was made by District 5 Legislator Catherine Scott, seconded by District 6 Legislator Luis Alvarez, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Rajsz, Perrello, McPhillips, McPhillips, Scott, Salomone, Ward, Blosser-Bernardo, and Alvarez
Enactment No: 345-25

29. Apportion Cost of the 2026 County Self Insurance Plan [ID-7689](#)**Attachments:** [2026 Self Insurance Plan Fund Charges](#)

A motion was made by District 5 Legislator Catherine Scott, seconded by District 6 Legislator Luis Alvarez, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Rajsz, Perrello, McPhillips, McPhillips, Scott, Salomone, Ward, Blosser-Bernardo, and Alvarez
Enactment No: 346-25

30. Authorize an Interim Agreement with New York State Nurses Association (NYSNA) [ID-7690](#)

A motion was made by District 5 Legislator Catherine Scott, seconded by District 6 Legislator Luis Alvarez, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Rajsz, Perrello, McPhillips, McPhillips, Scott, Salomone, Ward, Blosser-Bernardo, and Alvarez
Enactment No: 347-25

31. Introduced by Executive Committee to Amend Resolution #322-21 to accept grant monies and enter into an agreement to amend the total amount to \$228,272 [ID-7691](#)

A motion was made by District 5 Legislator Catherine Scott, seconded by District 6 Legislator Luis Alvarez, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Rajsz, Perrello, McPhillips, McPhillips, Scott, Salomone, Ward, Blosser-Bernardo, and Alvarez
Enactment No: 348-25

32. Authorize A Master Subscription and Services Agreement with Swift Pocket LLC d/b/a Maple [ID-7692](#)

A motion was made by District 5 Legislator Catherine Scott, seconded by District 6 Legislator Luis Alvarez, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Rajsz, Perrello, McPhillips, McPhillips, Scott, Salomone, Ward, Blosser-Bernardo, and Alvarez
Enactment No: 349-25

33. Authorize a new 3-year Agreement with Thomson Reuters for Westlaw [ID-7693](#)

A motion was made by District 5 Legislator Catherine Scott, seconded by District 6 Legislator Luis Alvarez, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Rajsz, Perrello, McPhillips, McPhillips, Scott, Salomone, Ward, Blosser-Bernardo, and Alvarez
Enactment No: 350-25

34. Authorize a 3-year agreement with Thomson Reuters for “Clear” Research Product [ID-7694](#)

A motion was made by District 5 Legislator Catherine Scott, seconded by District 6 Legislator Luis Alvarez, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Rajs, Perrello, McPhillips, McPhillips, Scott, Salomone, Ward, Blosser-Bernardo, and Alvarez
Enactment No: 351-25

35. Authorize the implementation of an on-premises (Non-Cloud) Sharefile Instance [ID-7696](#)

A motion was made by District 5 Legislator Catherine Scott, seconded by District 6 Legislator Luis Alvarez, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Rajs, Perrello, McPhillips, McPhillips, Scott, Salomone, Ward, Blosser-Bernardo, and Alvarez
Enactment No: 352-25

36. Authorize a 5 year-agreement with Schneider Geospatial, LLC [ID-7697](#)

A motion was made by District 5 Legislator Catherine Scott, seconded by District 6 Legislator Luis Alvarez, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Rajs, Perrello, McPhillips, McPhillips, Scott, Salomone, Ward, Blosser-Bernardo, and Alvarez
Enactment No: 353-25

37. Amend Resolution No. 117-25 regarding the Certificate of Sponsor’s Attorney” [ID-7704](#)

A motion was made by District 5 Legislator Catherine Scott, seconded by District 6 Legislator Luis Alvarez, that this Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Rajs, Perrello, McPhillips, McPhillips, Scott, Salomone, Ward, Blosser-Bernardo, and Alvarez
Enactment No: 354-25

Recognition of Legislators

Announcements from Chair

Adjournment or Close

There being no further business, Joseph Perrello moved to adjourn, seconded by Brian McPhillips. The Full Board Meeting was declared closed at 11:40am.