



TIOGA COUNTY LEGISLATURE

8/21/2025 10:05 AM LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE ROOM Ronald E. Dougherty County Office Building 56 Main Street Owego NY 13827

Meeting called by:	Deputy Chair Monell	
Type of meeting:	5 th Special	
Attendees:	Legislator Aronstam Legislator Brown Legislator Bunce Legislator Ciotoli Legislator Flesher Legislator Monell Legislator Roberts Legislator Sauerbrey Legislator Standinger Agenda topics	
Invocation	Legislator Brown	
Pledge of Allegiance	Legislator Brown	
RESOLUTIONS	 Resolution of the Legislature of Tioga County Amending Resolution No. 231-15 to Extend Imposition of an Additional One Percent Rate of Sales and Compensating Use Tax for a Period of Two Years through November 30, 2027 Authorizing and Approving a Settlement with Sandoz Concerning Claims Related to the Opioid Crisis Award Bid for Candor Tower Electrical Upgrade – Office of Emergency Services 	

REFERRED TO: LEGISLATIVE WORKSESSION

RESOLUTION NO. -25 RESOLUTION OF THE LEGISLATURE OF TIOGA

COUNTY AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 231-15 TO EXTEND IMPOSITION OF AN ADDITIONAL ONE PERCENT RATE OF SALES AND COMPENSATING USE TAX FOR A PERIOD OF TWO YEARS THROUGH

NOVEMBER 30, 2027

WHEREAS: By Resolution No. 231-15, the Tioga County Legislature imposed in this county and decreed there shall be paid all of the sales and compensating use taxes described in Article Twenty-nine of the New York State Law as authorized by subdivision (a) of section twelve hundred ten of the Tax Law, at the rate of three percent. In addition to those taxes imposed at the rate of three percent, Resolution No. 231-15 imposed in this county and decreed there shall be paid such sales and compensating use taxes at the additional rate of one percent through November 30, 2017; and

WHEREAS: By Resolution No. 184-17, the Tioga County Legislature amended Resolution No. 231-15 imposed in this county and decreed there shall be paid such sales and compensating use taxes at the additional rate of one percent through November 30, 2020; and

WHEREAS: By Resolution No. 118-20, the Tioga County Legislature amended portions of Resolution No. 184-17 that amended Resolution No. 231-15 imposed in this county and decreed there shall be paid such sales and compensating use taxes at the additional rate of one percent through November 30, 2023; and

WHEREAS: By Resolution No. 306-23, the Tioga County Legislature amended Section One of Resolution No. 231-15, as amended by Resolution No. 184-17, as amended by Resolution No. 118-20; and

WHEREAS: Section 1. Clause 17 of subparagraph (i) of the opening paragraph of Section 1210 of the tax law, as amended by Chapter 243 of the Laws of 2023 is amended to read as follows:

(17) the County of Tioga is hereby further authorized and empowered to adopt and amend local laws, ordinances or resolutions imposing such taxes at a rate which is: (i) one-half of one percent additional to the three percent rate authorized above in this paragraph for such county for the period beginning September first, nineteen hundred ninety-three, and ending November thirtieth, two thousand three; and (ii) one percent additional to the three percent rate authorized in this paragraph for such county for the period beginning December

first, two thousand five, and ending November thirtieth, two thousand twentyseven; and

WHEREAS: The Tioga County Legislature wishes to amend Resolution No. 231-15, as amended by Resolution No. 184-17, as amended by Resolution No. 118-20, as amended by Resolution No. 306-23 to impose the additional one percent of sales and compensating use taxes for a period of two additional years through November 30, 2027; therefore be it

RESOLVED: By the Legislature of Tioga County, that Section One of Resolution No. 231-15, as amended by Resolution No. 184-17, as amended by Resolution No. 118-20, as amended by Resolution No. 306-23 shall be amended to read as follows:

<u>"SECTION I:</u> Imposition of general sales and compensating use taxes. There are hereby imposed in this county and there shall be paid all of the sales and compensating use taxes described in Article Twenty-nine of the New York Tax Law as authorized by subdivision (a) of section twelve hundred ten of the Tax Law, at the rate of three percent. In addition to those taxes imposed at the rate of three percent, there are hereby imposed in this county and there shall be paid such sales and compensating use taxes at the additional rate of one percent for the period commencing December 1, 2025, and ending November 30, 2027"; and be it further

RESOLVED: That this enactment shall take effect December 1, 2025.

REFERRED TO: LEGISLATIVE WORKSESSION

RESOLUTION NO. -25 AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING A SETTLEMENT

AGREEMENT WITH SANDOZ CONCERNING CLAIMS

RELATED TO THE OPIOID CRISIS

WHEREAS: Tioga County has joined in a legal action seeking compensation from those who are responsible for causing and perpetuating the opioid addiction crisis (the "Action"); and

WHEREAS: The Action is against several defendants, including manufacturers of opioids, distributors of opioids and chain pharmacies for their role in contributing to the opioid epidemic by falsely promoting prescription opioids it manufactured and sold and by falsely promoting the increased use of opioids directly and generally through various "front groups" and failing to implement measures to prevent diversion of prescription opioids in connection with distribution of its products, all of which contributed to a public health crisis in New York; and

WHEREAS: Sandoz has offered to settle the claims against it by entering into a national settlement and paying a sum to be used for restitution and abatement; and

WHEREAS: The final amount to be received by Tioga County will vary depending on several factors including the number of Plaintiff's ultimately agreeing to enter into the settlement; and

WHEREAS: It is in the best interest of Tioga County to resolve this matter with respect to Sandoz without further litigation and enter into an agreement to settle all allegations against Sandoz and avoid protracted litigation; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That Tioga County is authorized to participate in the proposed settlement with Sandoz and Tioga County Chair of the Legislature, Martha Sauerbrey, is authorized to execute such forms and agreements, as approved by the County Attorney to compromise the claim the Defendants Sandoz and distribute the proceeds between the participating Plaintiffs.

REFERRED TO: LEGISLATIVE WORKSESSION

RESOLUTION NO. -25 AWARD BID FOR CANDOR TOWER

ELECTRICAL UPGRADE

OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES

WHEREAS: The Tioga County Office of Emergency Services sought bids for the Candor Tower Electrical Upgrade, which is associated with the ongoing Radio Tower Project; and

WHEREAS: On August 8, 2025, the Tioga County Office of Emergency Services received sealed bids from the following:

Diekow Electric, Inc. \$392,000 Highland Valley Electric \$163,800 Triple E Power & Light LLC \$73,150

Therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Tioga County Legislature award the bid to the lowest bidder, Triple E. Power & Light LLC, Vestal, NY, not to exceed \$73,150 to be paid from Account H3021.540140.ST22.