

<p><b>Agenda</b></p> 	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>TIOGA COUNTY LEGISLATURE</b></p> <p style="text-align: right;">3/19/2026 10:00 AM LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE ROOM Ronald E. Dougherty County Office Building 56 Main Street Owego NY 13827</p>	
<p>Meeting called by:</p>	<p>Chair Tracy Monell</p>	
<p>Type of meeting:</p>	<p>3<sup>rd</sup> Special</p>	
<p>Attendees:</p>	<p>Legislator Aronstam Legislator Brown Legislator Bunce Legislator Cantella Legislator Ciotoli Legislator Flesher Legislator Monell Legislator Rose Legislator Standinger</p>	
	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Agenda topics</b></p>	
<p>Invocation Pledge of Allegiance</p>	<p>Legislator Cantella Legislator Cantella</p>	
<p>RESOLUTIONS</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Authorize Economic Development and Planning to Submit Application for ESD County Infrastructure Grant Program and Authorize Legislative Chair Signature on Grant Related Documents</li> <li>2. Authorizing and Approving a Settlement Agreement with Associated Pharmacies, Inc., J M Smith Corporation, Louisiana Wholesale Drug Company, Inc., Morris and Dickson Co., North Carolina Mutual Wholesale Drug Company, Inc., and United Natural Foods, Inc. Concerning Claims Related to the Opioid Crisis</li> </ol>	

REFERRED TO: LEGISLATIVE WORKSESSION

RESOLUTION NO. - 26 AUTHORIZE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING TO SUBMIT APPLICATION FOR ESD COUNTY INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT PROGRAM AND AUTHORIZE LEGISLATIVE CHAIR SIGNATURE ON GRANT RELATED DOCUMENTS

WHEREAS: The FY2026 New York State Budget includes an additional \$50 million for the County Infrastructure Grant Program that supports county-led infrastructure projects that contribute to placemaking, support the creation of housing, and encourage visitation and tourism; and

WHEREAS: The Tioga County Industrial Development Agency (TCIDA) owns 86 acres of vacant land on Strong Road in the Town of Owego; and

WHEREAS: TCIDA in partnership with the Economic Development and Planning Department are interested in extending sewer infrastructure to the site to encourage the future development of single- or two-family residential homes; and

WHEREAS: Tioga County is eligible to apply for up to \$500,000 in grant funds through the County Infrastructure Grant Program; and

WHEREAS: TCIDA will provide the fifty percent match that is required in an amount not to exceed \$500,000; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Tioga County Legislature hereby authorizes submission and administration of said grant to New York State Empire State Development in an amount not to exceed \$500,000; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the Tioga County Legislature authorizes the Economic Development and Planning Department to pay the required \$250 non-refundable application fee; and be it further

RESOLVED: That upon award authorizes the Chair of the Legislature, County Administrator, or other authorized officer to sign any and all grant-related contracts and other paperwork, contingent upon review and approval by the County Attorney.

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AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT WITH ASSOCIATED PHARMACIES INC., J M SMITH CORPORATION, LOUISIANA WHOLESALE DRUG COMPANY, INC., MORRIS AND DICKSON CO., NORTH CAROLINA MUTUAL WHOLESALE DRUG COMPANY, INC., AND UNITED NATURAL FOODS, INC. CONCERNING CLAIMS RELATED TO THE OPIOID CRISIS

WHEREAS: Tioga County has joined in legal action seeking compensation from those who are responsible for causing and perpetuating the opioid addiction crisis 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: Associated Pharmacies Inc., J M Smith Corporation, Louisiana Wholesale Drug Company, Inc., Morris and Dickson Co., North Carolina Mutual Wholesale Drug Company Inc., and United Natural Foods, Inc. have offered to settle claims against them 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 claims with respect to Associated Pharmacies Inc., J M Smith Corporation, Louisiana Wholesale Drug Company, Inc., Morris and Dickson Co., North Carolina Mutual Wholesale Drug Company Inc., and United Natural Foods, Inc. without further litigation and enter into an agreement to settle all allegations against them and avoid protracted litigation; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That Tioga County is authorized to participate in the proposed settlement with Associated Pharmacies Inc., J M Smith Corporation, Louisiana Wholesale Drug Company, Inc., Morris and Dickson Co., North Carolina Mutual Wholesale Drug Company Inc., and United Natural Foods, Inc. and the County Treasurer is authorized to submit such forms and agreements, as approved by the County Attorney to compromise the claims against the Defendants and distribute the proceeds between the participating parties.