RESOLUTION NO. 328

AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE NYS DEPARTMENT OF STATE REGARDING FUNDING TO ASSIST WITH THE TOWN OF BERNE PUBLIC WORKS MERGER

Introduced: 10/10/06

By Public Works Committee:

WHEREAS, The Albany County Public Works Commissioner has requested authorization to submit a grant application to the NYS Department of State for up to \$300,000 to pay costs associated with a proposed merger with the Town of Berne Public Works Department, and

WHEREAS, The Commissioner indicated that the Town of Berne also is submitting a grant request for \$300,000, and that both the County and Town will ask to withdraw the grant applications in the event the County Legislature or the Town Board fail to approve the merger, and

WHEREAS, The Commissioner indicated that the grant funds would be used to replace the Town's dump trucks, remove underground fuel storage tanks, clean up salt-contaminated soil and repair or replace the septic system at the Town site, construct a shed at the County site, install a timekeeping system, reprogram telephones and hire a consultant to develop a combined snow and ice removal plan, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, By the Albany County Legislature that the County Executive is authorized to submit a grant application for funding up to \$300,000 to the NYS Department of State regarding the proposed merger of the Albany County and Town of Berne Public Works Departments, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Attorney is authorized to approve said grant application as to form and content, and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to forward certified copies of this resolution to the appropriate County Officials.

Adopted by unanimous vote. 10/10/06