THE CENTRAL NEW YORK REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
(and its Subsidiaries)
200 CORTLAND AVENUE, SYRACUSE, NEW YORK
MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 25, 2026, BOARD MEETING

MEMBERS PRESENT:	NICHOLAS LAINO, Chair ANTHONY DAVIS, Vice Chair TINA FITZGERALD, Treasurer ROBERT CUCLICH JULIUS LAWRENCE HEATHER SNOW LOUELLA WILLIAMS FRANK SAYA, Non-Voting Member
MEMBERS ABSENT:	DARLENE LATTIMORE, Secretary NEIL BURKE
STAFF PRESENT:	CHRISTOPHER TUFF, Chief Executive Officer JACQUELYN MUSENGO, Executive Vice President GEOFF HOFF, VP of Fleet and Facilities BRUCE FONG, VP of Information Technologies MELISSA BRIM, VP of Finance RAHMIN AZRIA, VP of Operations BREN DAISS, VP of Communication & Business Planning CHRIS MORREALE, Associate VP of Human Resources DANIELLE SIMELE, Director of Accounting PAULA CUTRONE, Senior Manager of Transit Data and Equity JASON SMITH, Senior Procurement Analyst SUZANN HENSLEY, Internal Control Manager DYLAN BORDONHOS, Desktop Support Specialist CASEY BROWN, Graphic Designer/Media Specialist JAMES EFFINGER, Director of Service Development BOB FAIRCHILD, Bus Operator
PUBLIC PRESENT:	BRAD HUNT PETER ROMANO

CALL TO ORDER At 9:32 A.M. Chairman Laino called the meeting to order.

- Chairman Laino and the Board Members recited the Pledge of Allegiance
- Chairman Laino noted a quorum was present

UPCOMING MEETINGS

- Chairman Laino announced the following meetings for October 23, 2026:
  - Pension Committee Meeting – 9:00 AM
  - Audit and Finance Meeting – 9:30 AM
  - Board Meeting – 10:00 AM

APPROVAL OF THE AUGUST 28, 2026, BOARD MEETING MINUTES - MOTION NO. 2820

Motion – Julius Lawrence
Seconded – Heather Snow
Carried Unanimously

RETIREMENT ROBERT FAIRCHILD – 39 YEARS OF SERVICE

Today, we recognize and celebrate Robert Fairchild on his retirement after an exemplary 39-year career as a Full-Time Bus Operator at Centro. Twenty of those years he drove fixed-line route service and then switched in 2009 to drive for Call-A-Bus. He also received Centro's first ever Operator of the Quarter award in 2021. Robert officially retired on September 1, 2026, capping nearly four decades of dedicated service, professionalism and commitment to our passengers and community. While Robert is retiring from full-time employment, he is not saying goodbye to Centro. We are pleased that he has decided to transition into a Part-Time Bus Operator position. As he begins this exciting new chapter, Robert looks forward to spending more time enjoying the things he loves most, including traveling, riding his motorcycle, and creating lasting memories with his family. Robert, on behalf of everyone at Centro, thank you for your 39 years of exceptional service and dedication. You have been a valued member of our team, and your contributions have made a lasting impact on our organization and the communities we serve. We wish you many years of happiness, good health and adventure, but are pleased that you will continue to be a part of the Centro team!

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT – Mr. Tuff

In addition to Mr. Tuff's written report, attached to these Minutes, he discussed the following:

COMMUNITY EVENTS

9/11 Ceremony Oneida County

On September 11th, we provide transportation for Oneida County to transport the Fire Cadets to the 9/11 ceremony.

Honor Flight Mission #25

On September 19th, we provided transportation for Honor Flight Mission #25. For the past seven years, I have reported that we have provided bus shuttles at the airport in the morning and evening to get Veterans, their Guardians, volunteers, and special guests from the parking lots to the terminal and back. This year I was invited to travel on the mission as an assistant bus lead. It was truly an honor to be part of it, and it deepened my appreciation for the Honor Flight mission.

Men Wear Pink
On October 1st, we are launching Men Wear Pink again this year in partnership with the American Cancer Society. We have a new partnership sponsor with Crouse Health.

New York Public Transportation Association Conference
The conference is being held in Syracuse for the first time in a long time. The conference will begin on October 18th. We are excited to host the conference.

SENIOR STAFF REPORTS

ADMINISTRATION– Ms. Musengo

Ms. Musengo gave an update on the Wellness Fair at our Syracuse location on September 17th, and it was a great success. We had an excellent turnout from our employees, along with a number of local businesses and organizations from the surrounding area.

This year, we also introduced an executive staff table, giving employees an opportunity to connect directly with our VPs. The conversations were informative and engaging, and employees appreciated having the chance to speak with members of our executive team. Based on the positive response, we look forward to continuing this opportunity for employees to connect with leadership at events throughout the building in the future.

A special thank you goes to our HR staff, and especially to Asa, our HR representative, who organized and coordinated the entire event. Their hard work and dedication helped make the Wellness Fair such a success.

We look forward to bringing the Wellness Fair to our Oneida location as well in the upcoming months.

OPERATION/TRANSPORTATION REPORT – Mr. Azria

The New York State Fair has concluded and by all measures it was a very successful Fair for Centro. There were some reports of long lines on one evening. Regarding the lines in the news, this occurred on the busiest day in 7 years, with a concert of approximately 50k people letting out, traffic slowing down our buses and our bus operations being in a relatively small space at the main gate. It was a perfect storm, but we worked with our partners, including the Fair management and the Troopers, to make some modifications and alleviate potential future issues.

As anticipated, Centro saw significant use of Park-N-Ride locations due to a combination of factors including but not limited to increased parking rates at the Fairgrounds while Centro's fares remained flat.

Several small changes were made to improve efficiency and rider experience this year. Most notably, Destiny and Long Branch Park, Park-N-Ride locations paid for both directions on the inbound trip, which significantly improved load times resulting in more trips and ridership.

I'd like to give a big thank you to all the Centro Staff that helped make our NY State Fair Operations happen this year, as it's a very big undertaking and we couldn't do it without so many people stepping up.

There have been a few updates on MOUs over the past few months as follows:

SU DOME EVENTS MOU Extension - Last year there was an amendment with SU and an MOU with ATU. The Amendment with SU and MOU with ATU provided additional financial incentives for all Centro staff working to support Dome events while providing SU more advanced notice regarding fulfillment of "overflow service" needs so that they can better manage vendor orders if needed. These agreements were extended because they have resulted in more Centro buses at events, which improves the rider/fan experience, and supports this vital community partnership.

Cortland Operator Support MOU - Implemented this MOU for extra list operators from Syracuse working in Cortland for the summer, which helped support Cortland operations and prevented missing service. This MOU went well and may be considered for future summers if needed.

Modified Runs MOU - Was implemented to improve runs/quality of life for drivers. The trial period recently ended, and the MOU was successful and well received in the last signup. Centro is working with ATU580 on a potential extension.

CAB Extra Work MOU Extension - This MOU has worked well and was recently extended.
As has been mentioned, we continue to work on finding ways to fulfill as many CAB rides in-house as we are able.

CAB - Annual Vendor Refresher Training: Over the past few months, our operations and CAB teams completed an annual vendor refresher training. This training is required, and we retrained dozens of drivers over a few weeks. Topics include tie-downs and harnesses and is important to ensure safety standards are being met.We invited and were joined by Silverfox and they gave tips and best practices for working with people with Alzheimer's and Dementia.

HUB LED PROJECT – This project is almost complete. The new LEDs replaced the X's and O's that were used at the Syracuse HUB. The new system will help with on-time performance and coordination of bus pullouts using new features such as a 2-minute countdown which was a result of a collaboration with the union at Driver Safety Committee meetings.

BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT AND CORPORATE COMMUNICATIONS REPORT – Ms. Daiss
Ms. Daiss presented the ridership report to the Board. For the New York State Fair, ridership was up approximately 2%, which was impacted by the flooding and subsequent closure of the Fairgrounds during the week.

In August, Centro ridership was up approximately 8% overall. Broken down by property, ridership was as follows: Onondaga County up 9%, Cayuga County up 4%, Oswego County up 3%, Oneida County up 6%, and Cortland County up 6% from 2025. The Board also discussed service and ridership compared to pre-pandemic data. Overall, service is down approximately 11% from pre-pandemic levels which includes introducing service to Cortland County last year.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY REPORT – Mr. Fong

Infrastructure Updates:

Wireless: We started our wireless upgrade more than a month ago, and nearly all access points supporting the administrative side of the Syracuse location have been replaced. They're performing well, and we're already seeing significant improvements; and we've gained the centralized control and visibility we need. There's still more to do, we need to replace access points at the outer properties, improve wireless coverage for operations, and strengthen security.

Service Development: The infrastructure project scheduled to begin in Service Development a week and a half ago has been delayed because the cabinet we purchased is too large for the available space. We've ordered a replacement, and the original cabinet will be reassigned to a future project.

Clever Hardware: HP technicians were here this week to install the hardware for our Clever upgrade in the rack. The technicians will be out again to cable and configure the hardware, and then Clever will need to upgrade all its systems.

Cybersecurity:

NAC POC: The network access control proof of concept we've been running for about a month has been successful. The system will give us greater control over both wired and wireless access to our network. Our next step is to submit a requisition and begin the full rollout.

Windows 11 25H2: We're approaching another Microsoft update deadline, this time for Windows 11 25H2. Several versions currently in use will reach end of life or end of support very soon. Our automated system is deploying the update, and we're monitoring the rollout and addressing issues as they arise. Of the 249 systems requiring the update, 36 remain—about 15%.

Microsoft Licensing: Our new Microsoft licensing took effect on 1 June. We chose a gradual rollout so we could identify and address any issues along the way, and all users have now been converted. As mentioned previously, the new licensing gives us stronger security capabilities.

Clever System Issue: Over the weekend, we resolved an issue affecting one of Clever's backend systems. The work took several hours, and I'd like to thank Scott Knafelc from Maintenance, along with Carlos Galindo and Matt Kavanagh from IT, for their hard work. If you'd like more details on what happened, I can brief you after the meeting.

HUMAN RESOURCES – Mr. Morreale

Mr. Morreale gave an update on the upcoming Bus Operator Training class, which is scheduled to begin on September 28, 2026.

We have a total of 28 trainees scheduled for this class. The breakdown is as follows:

- Syracuse: 21 trainees
- Utica: 6 trainees
- Auburn: 1 trainee

I would also like to take this opportunity to recognize and thank the entire Human Resources staff for the tremendous amount of work that has gone into preparing and coordinating this class. Their efforts have

been instrumental in getting us to this point and ensuring that we have a strong group of candidates ready to begin training.

I would also like to thank the Marketing Department for the excellent advertisements and outreach they developed in support of our Open House. Their efforts helped generate interest and bring applicants through the door. As a direct result of that Open House, we were able to hire 7 of the 21 Syracuse trainees who are beginning this class.

The work now shifts to filling the February 1st, 2027 training class.

AUDIT AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

PROPERTY INSURANCE POLICY RENEWAL– MOTION NO. 2821

Mr. Jon Maloff presented a Motion to approve the Property insurance policy renewal. A copy of the rates are included in the minutes.

A Motion to approve the property insurance policy renewal, as recommended by the Audit and Finance Committee, was raised.

Motion – Tina Fitzgerald
Seconded – Anthony Davis
Carried Unanimously

AUGUST 31, 2026, STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES – MOTION NO. 2822

Ms. Brim presented a Motion to approve the August 31, 2026, Statement of Revenue and Expenditures. A copy of the Statements and Motion are attached to these Minutes.

A Motion to approve the August 31, 2026, Statement of Revenue and Expenditures as recommended by the Audit and Finance Committee was raised and forwarded to the Board for approval.

Motion – Julius Lawrence
Seconded – Louella Williams
Carried Unanimously

THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATOR FOR DENTAL SERVICES – RESOLUTION NO. 2672

Ms. Brim presented a Resolution to authorize contract award for Third Party Administrator for Dental Services 2027-2032 to Delta Dental for a five (5) year term commencing April 1, 2027. A copy of the Motion is attached to these Minutes.

A Motion to authorize contract award for Third Party Administrator for Dental Services 2027-2032 to Delta Dental as recommended by the Audit and Finance Committee was raised was raised and forwarded to the Board for approval.

Motion – Heather Snow
Seconded – Tina Fitzgerald
Carried Unanimously

VIRTUAL INFRASTRUCTURE SOFTWARE – RESOLUTION NO. 2673

Ms. Brim presented a Resolution to authorize contract award for Virtual Infrastructure Software to Quality and Assurance Technology Corp. for a 3-year term commencing October 14, 2026. A copy of the Resolution is attached to these Minutes.

A Motion to authorize contract award for Virtual Infrastructure Software for a 3-year term to Quality and Assurance Technology Corp as recommended by the Audit and Finance Committee was raised.

Motion – Anthony Davis
Seconded – Robert Cuculich
Carried Unanimously

VIRTUALIZATION MASS STORAGE UPGRADE – RESOLUTION NO. 2674

Mr. Smith presented a Resolution to issue a purchase order to Lyon Micro, LLC, in the amount of $111,831.53 for the purchase of HPE Alletra MP B10000 Storage. A copy of the Resolution is attached to these Minutes.

A Motion to authorize issuance of a purchase order for HPE Alletra MP B10000 Storage to Lyon Micro LLC as recommended by the Audit and Finance Committee was raised.

Motion – Julius Lawrence
Seconded – Tina Fitzgerald
Abstained – Heather Snow
Carried Unanimously

BULK DIESEL FUEL 2027-2037 – RESOLUTION NO. 2675

Mr. Smith presented a Resolution to authorize contract award for Bulk Diesel Fuel 2027-2037 to Buell Fuel, LLC. for a ten (10) year term commencing April 1, 2027. A copy of the Resolution is attached to these Minutes.

A Motion to authorize contract award for Bulk Diesel Fuel 2027-2037 to Buell Fuel, LLC as recommended by the Audit and Finance Committee was raised.

Motion – Louella Williams
Seconded – Anthony Davis
Carried Unanimously

OLD BUSINESS

Julius Lawrence updated the Board on the status of the Southwest Community Center. Anthony Davis asked about the contract with VEO and the status based on the news. Nick Laino mentioned that he has gotten positive feedback from Oneida County residents about the State Fair bus service

NEW BUSINESS

Julius Lawrence mentioned that the Southside TNT meeting will be on October 5, 2026. Heather Snow mentioned there will be a travel training for students event at SUNY Oswego in the coming weeks.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – MOTION NO. 2823

A Motion was needed to move to Executive Session to gain advice from counsel on a personnel matter.

Motion – Tina Fitzgerald
Seconded – Heather Snow
Carried Unanimously

No action taken in Executive Session

ADJOURNED

There being no further business to come before the Board, the CNYRTA and its Subsidiaries Board meeting was adjourned.

Chairman

ATTEST:

Darlene D. Lattimore
Secretary

TO: CNYRTA Board of Members
FROM: Christopher Tuff, Chief Executive Officer
RE: Monthly Summary Report – September 2026
DATE: September 17, 2026

Citizens Academy Panelist/Focus Greater Syracuse

On September 9, I participated in a panel with Jim D'Agostino, Troy Wafner, and Aaron McKeon at the fall 2026 Focus Greater Syracuse Citizen Academy discussion on Sustainable Land Use & Transportation. This was a great group of community members from various industries in Syracuse who learned about different aspects and industries in our community. The discussion and questions were greatly appreciated. This group appreciated the transportation discussion so much that we will be hosting this session next year at Centro, which will also include a tour.

Senate Transportation Committee Roundtable

On September 17, I participated in a roundtable discussion in Albany hosted by Senate Transportation Committee Chair, Senator Jeremy Cooney. This roundtable brought representatives from across New York State to share feedback and discuss perspectives to help shape the next New York State Department of Transportation 5-year Capital Plan. I represented Centro and the members of the New York Public Transportation Association (NYPTA) at the roundtable.

Audit and Finance Committee Agenda

Presented by Melissa Brim, Vice President of Finance
September 25, 2026

Board Actions Motions and Resolutions

MOTIONS:

August 31, 2026, Statement of Revenues & Expenditures – M. Brim
Property Insurance Policy Renewal – J. Maloff

RESOLUTIONS:

Third Party Administrator for Dental Services – M. Brim
Virtual Infrastructure Software – M. Brim
Virtualization Mass Storage Upgrade – J. Smith
Bulk Diesel Fuel – J. Smith

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION:

Statement of Revenues & Expenditures by Company
Investment Report
Mortgage Recording Tax (MRT) Report
Statement of Cash Flow
Procurement Summary
Capital Program Summary

ITEMS REQUIRING FUTURE BOARD ACTION:

September 30, 2026, Quarterly Financial Statements
October 31, 2026, Statement of Revenues & Expenditures

STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES

Central New York Regional Transportation Authority
Statement of Revenues and Expenditures
From 04/01/2026 through 08/31/2026
(In Whole Numbers)

	Actual	Budget	Budget Change	% Change to Budget	Prior Year Actual	CY to PY Change	% Change CY to PY
Operating Revenue							
Regular Line Passenger Revenue	2,143,049	2,060,202	82,847	4.02%	1,978,811	164,238	8.29%
Special Line Passenger Revenue	2,369,537	2,214,267	155,270	7.01%	2,185,439	184,098	8.42%
Advertising & Other Revenue	1,164,785	1,022,840	141,946	13.87%	980,807	183,979	18.75%
Total Operating Revenue	5,677,370	5,297,308	380,063	7.17%	5,145,056	532,315	10.35%
Operating Expenses							
Salaries & Wages	17,100,975	19,163,335	2,062,360	(10.76)%	16,850,298	250,677	1.48%
Other Employee Benefits & Payroll Taxes	1,709,578	1,984,942	275,364	(13.87)%	1,674,952	34,625	2.06%
Healthcare Benefits	6,375,710	6,904,967	529,257	(7.66)%	5,277,136	1,098,573	20.81%
Workers Compensation	1,719,179	1,437,767	(281,412)	19.57%	1,253,351	465,827	37.16%
Pension Benefits	1,891,879	1,937,313	45,435	(2.34)%	1,723,847	168,031	9.74%
Risk Management	2,432,436	2,149,000	(283,436)	13.18%	4,308,459	(1,876,023)	(43.54)%
Purchased Transportation	2,901,651	2,653,050	(248,601)	9.37%	2,482,481	419,169	16.88%
Materials & Supplies	2,015,545	2,130,729	115,184	(5.40)%	1,905,118	110,427	5.79%
Services	3,102,881	3,616,241	513,359	(14.19)%	2,602,353	500,529	19.23%
Fuel	963,755	1,054,417	90,662	(8.59)%	844,834	118,921	14.07%
Utilities	391,787	384,610	(7,177)	1.86%	264,994	126,793	47.84%
Other Expenses	178,671	327,103	148,433	(45.37)%	143,242	35,428	24.73%
Total Operating Expenses	40,784,045	43,743,473	2,959,428	(6.77)%	39,331,065	1,452,980	3.69%
Non-Operating Revenue							
Operating Assistance	30,050,059	32,760,913	(2,710,853)	(8.27)%	30,254,721	(204,661)	(0.67)%
Mortgage Tax Revenue	4,465,754	3,706,000	759,754	20.50%	4,330,577	135,176	3.12%
Gain/Loss on Disposal of Capital	2,700	20,833	(18,133)	(87.04)%	50,406	(47,706)	(94.64)%
Investment Revenue	588,162	218,842	369,320	168.76%	501,600	86,562	17.25%
Total Non-Operating Revenue	35,106,675	36,706,588	(1,599,913)	(4.36)%	35,137,305	(30,630)	(0.09)%
Operating Income (Loss)	0	(1,739,577)	1,739,577	(100.00)%	951,295	(951,294)	(99.99)%
Capital Contributions							
Federal Grants	1,736,464	0	1,736,464	0.00%	855,865	880,600	102.89%
State Grants	1,042,854	0	1,042,854	0.00%	145,991	896,863	614.32%
Total Capital Contributions	2,779,318	0	2,779,318	0.00%	1,001,855	1,777,463	177.42%
Non-Operating Expenses							
Depreciation Expense	5,973,158	0	(5,973,158)	0.00%	5,940,990	32,167	0.54%
Total Non-Operating Expenses	5,973,158	0	(5,973,158)	0.00%	5,940,990	32,167	0.54%
Change in Net Position	(3,193,839)	(1,739,577)	(1,454,263)	83.59%	(3,987,840)	794,001	(19.91)%
Net Position - Beginning of Year	(88,546,636)	0	(88,546,636)	0.00%	(125,571,224)	37,024,587	(29.48)%
Total Net Position - Beginning of Year	(88,546,636)	0	(88,546,636)	0.00%	(125,571,224)	37,024,587	(29.48)%
Net Position - End of Year	(91,740,476)	(1,739,577)	(90,000,899)	5,173.72%	(129,559,064)	37,818,589	(29.19)%

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Through the first five months of FY2027, the Authority is performing favorably to budget, with operating revenues exceeding expectations by 7.2% and operating expenses remaining 6.8% below budget, driven primarily by vacancy, driving the personnel savings. Non-operating revenues are slightly below budget due to the strategic conservation of preventive maintenance funds, while key risks include continued workforce shortages and rising healthcare and purchased transportation costs.

STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES

As of August 31, 2026, the Authority continues to report a break-even consolidated operating position (no net operating income or loss).

Operating Revenues

Total operating revenues were $5.7 million, exceeding budget projections by $380 thousand (7.2%) and increasing $532 thousand (10.3%) compared to the same period in prior year.

	Actual	Budget	Budget Change	% Change to Budget	Prior Year Actual	CY to PY Change	% Change CY to PY
Operating Revenue							
Passenger Revenues	4,512,585	4,274,468	238,118	5.6%	4,164,250	348,336	8.3%
Advertising & Other Revenue	1,164,785	1,022,840	141,946	13.9%	980,806	183,979	18.8%
Total Operating Revenue	5,677,370	5,297,308	380,063	7.2%	5,145,056	532,315	10.3%

Passenger revenues are performing 5.6% over budget expectations and 8.4% over the prior year.

Regular line passenger revenues exceeded budget by 4% and were 8.29% higher than the prior year. This favorable performance is driven by stronger-than-anticipated farebox revenue, increased pass sales, and higher Call-A-Bus purchased transportation revenue. Farebox revenue increased 4.5% ($46 thousand), while pass sales rose 13% ($83 thousand) compared to the prior year. The increase in pass sales was primarily attributable to unanticipated single-ride purchases by the Syracuse City School District, partially offset by lower-than-expected demand from Jobs Plus.

Special line passenger revenues exceeded budget by 7.0% and were 8.4% higher than the prior year, reflecting contractual rate adjustments, partially offset by reduced service levels for SUNY Oswego based on enrollment and service demand.

Advertising and other revenues exceeded budget by 13.9% and increased 18.8% compared to the prior year. This performance reflects lease rate adjustments, higher RTC parking revenue, an increase in the guaranteed minimum under the transit advertising contract, and the introduction of Renewable Natural Gas (RNG) revenue.

Operating Expenses

Operating expenses totaled $40.8 million, which is $2.9 million (6.8%) below budget and $1.5 million (3.8%) higher than the prior year.

	Actual	Budget	Budget Change	% Change to Budget	Prior Year Actual	CY to PY Change	% Change CY to PY
Operating Expenses							
Personnel Expenses	28,797,321	31,428,323	2,631,002	-8.4%	26,779,584	2,017,736	7.5%
Non-Personnel Expenses	11,986,724	12,315,150	328,426	-2.7%	12,551,481	(564,756)	-4.5%
Total Operating Expenses	40,784,045	43,743,473	2,959,428	-6.8%	39,331,065	1,452,980	3.8%

Personnel expenses were $2.6 million (8.4%) below budget and $2.0 million (7.5%) higher than the prior year. All personnel cost categories were below budget, with the exception of workers' compensation. The remaining categories generated favorable variances across wages, benefits, and related costs, while continuing to reflect higher expenses compared to the same period in the prior year.

The personnel budget assumes full staffing levels throughout the fiscal year; however, ongoing vacancies, particularly among bus operators, maintenance, and administrative positions, remain the primary driver of the favorable variance. While these vacancies reduce current personnel expenditures, they continue to create operational pressures, including increased reliance on overtime and additional workload for existing staff to maintain service levels and meet operational requirements.

Healthcare Benefit expenses were 7.7% below budget but increased 20.8% compared to the prior year. The year-over-year increase is primarily attributable to higher utilization, including 18,278 additional services through UMR, and a 23% increase in Blue Cross Blue Shield HMO enrollment. These increases were partially offset by an 11.4% reduction in prescription drug costs for active employees.

Workers' Compensation expenses expenses exceeded budget by 19.6% and were 37.0% higher than the prior year, driven by legacy self-insured claims and higher costs associated with current-year claims, despite a reduction in total claims.

Pension expenses were in line with budget and were 9.74% higher than the prior year. The year-over-year increase is primarily attributable to 401(a) plan expenses for a portion of May 2025 that were funded through the forfeited funds account in the prior year.

Non-personnel expenses were $328 thousand (2.7%) below budget and $565 thousand (4.5%) lower than the prior year. All categories were in line with or below budget, with the exception of Risk Management and Purchased Transportation. Compared to the prior year, all categories increased except for Risk Management.

Risk Management expenses were 13.2% above budget and 43.5% lower than the prior year. The budget variance is primarily attributable to claims expense associated with a prior-year auto general liability claim, partially offset by a lower-than-anticipated increase in excess liability insurance costs.

Purchased Transportation expenses exceeded budget by 9.4% and increased 16.9% compared to the prior year, reflecting sustained demand growth, with trips increasing 14.2% year-over-year.

Materials & Supplies expenses were 5.4% below budget and 5.8% higher than the prior year. The favorable budget variance is primarily attributable to the timing of payments for New York State Fair supplies, as well as lower-than-anticipated fluid and lubricant costs, parts expenses for bus and building repairs, and marketing and printing costs, partially offset by the timing of obsolete inventory expense. The year-over-year increase is primarily attributable to higher usage of fluids and lubricants, increased parts expenses for bus and building repairs, and bus schedule purchases.

Services expenses were 14.2% below budget and 19.2% higher than the prior year. The favorable budget variance is primarily attributable to lower-than-anticipated engineering, legal, training, and advertising and marketing expenses. The year-over-year increase is largely driven by higher current-year costs for electrical work associated with building

remodels, sprinkler repairs, pit and drain cleanouts, security services, physical and drug testing, the CNG service agreement, and one-time vendor services.

Fuel expenses were 8.6% below budget and 14.0% higher than the prior year. The favorable budget variance is primarily attributable to lower-than-anticipated compressed natural gas (CNG) and diesel fuel pricing. The year-over-year increase is largely driven by a higher number of fuel deliveries in the current year (notably in Cayuga and Oneida), as well as higher diesel fuel costs in Cortland, which currently pays market rates, net of applicable taxes.

Utilities expenses were in line with budget and 47.8% higher than the prior year, consistent with anticipated increases in energy costs.

Other expenses were 45.4% below budget and 24.7% higher than the prior year. The favorable budget variance is primarily attributable to lower-than-anticipated training and conference expenses to date, although these costs may increase as the fiscal year progresses. The year-over-year increase is consistent with anticipated spending levels.

Non-Operating Revenues

Non-Operating revenues totaled $35.1 million, $1.6 million (4.4%) below budget, and generally consistent with prior-year performance.

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Non-Operating Revenue							
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Mortgage Tax Revenue	4,465,754	3,706,000	759,754	20.5%	4,330,577	135,176	3.1%
Gain/Loss on Disposal of Capital	2,700	20,833	(18,133)	-87.0%	50,406	(47,706)	-94.6%
Investment Revenue	588,162	218,842	369,320	168.8%	501,600	86,562	17.3%
Total Non-Operating Revenue	35,106,675	36,706,588	(1,599,913)	-4.4%	35,137,305	(30,630)	-0.1%

Operating assistance revenues were 8.3% below budget and consistent with the prior year. This variance reflects the Authority's strategic approach to conserving federal and state preventive maintenance (PM) funds as State Transit Operating Assistance (STOA) levels have increased. PM utilization is evaluated monthly and deployed selectively during periods of elevated operating costs to stabilize financial performance and preserve long-term funding flexibility.

Mortgage tax revenues exceeded budget by 20.5% and were 3.1% higher than the prior year, reflecting continued strength in the regional real estate market. Given the inherent volatility of this revenue source, the Authority will continue to monitor trends closely and maintain conservative forecasting assumptions.

Investment revenues significantly exceeded budget and were 17.3% higher than the prior year, reflecting sustained higher yield performance. The Authority will continue to actively manage its investment portfolio to optimize returns while maintaining sufficient liquidity to support operational and capital requirements.

INVESTMENT REPORT

Central New York Regional Transportation Authority
Inventory of Existing Investments
As of 08/31/2026
(In Whole Numbers)

Cash Investments	Institution	Interest Rate	Amount	Total
Unrestricted – Operating Funds				
Commercial Savings – General Fund	M&T Bank	1.95%	$19,776,941	
Commercial Savings – Farebox Collection	JP Morgan	1.25%	$1,055,863	
				$20,832,804
Board Designated - Funded Reserves				
Commercial Savings - Health Reserve	M&T Bank	1.95%	$251,636	
Commercial Savings - Insurance Reserve	M&T Bank	1.95%	$2,922	
Commercial Checking - Capital Reserve	JP Morgan	1.25%	$96,000	
Commercial Checking - Paratransit Reserve	JP Morgan	1.25%	$92,376	
				$442,934
Total Cash Investment Value				$21,275,738

Investments	Institution	Yield	Term	Market Value	Purchase Date	Maturity Date	Maturity Value
Operating Funds							
Treasury Bill - Operating Funds	JP Morgan	3.60%	2 mo.	$5,219,242	08/18/2026	10/22/2026	$5,247,000
Treasury Bill - Operating Funds	JP Morgan	3.63%	3 mo.	$5,167,081	06/26/2026	09/26/2026	$5,182,000
Board Designated - Funded Reserves							
Treasury Bill - Capital Reserve	JP Morgan	3.63%	6 mo.	$3,146,958	05/26/2026	11/19/2026	$3,173,000
Treasury Bill - Capital Reserve	JP Morgan	3.67%	9 mo.	$2,080,951	06/09/2026	03/18/2027	$2,125,000
Treasury Bill - Capital Reserve	JP Morgan	3.87%	6 mo.	$2,008,323	07/22/2026	01/21/2027	$2,039,000
Treasury Bill - Insurance Reserve	JP Morgan	3.78%	6 mo.	$4,465,478	06/22/2026	12/17/2026	$4,516,000
Treasury Bill – Health Ins. Reserve	JP Morgan	3.56%	6 mo.	$3,069,496	04/06/2026	10/01/2026	$3,079,000
Treasury Bill – Paratransit Reserve	JP Morgan	3.98%	12 mo.	$5,419,834	07/30/2026	07/28/2027	$5,610,000
Total Investment Values				$30,577,363			$30,971,000

MORTGAGE RECORDING TAX REPORT

Actual Receipts YTD					Budget Variance YTD		
FY-25	FY-26	FY-27	$ vs PY	% vs PY	FY-27 Bud	$	%
3,290,496	4,350,802	4,465,754	114,951	2.6%	3,706,000	759,754	20.5%

	Actual FY-25	Actual FY-26	Actual FY-27	Actual vs PY	YTD vs PY	Budget FY 27	Actual Vs Budget	YTD Variance
April	537,226	690,885	834,882	20.8%	20.8%	660,000	26.5%	26.5%
May	622,405	884,530	945,766	6.9%	-40.0%	670,000	41.2%	33.9%
June	512,679	971,182	783,508	-19.3%	-69.2%	716,000	9.4%	25.3%
July	878,691	1,032,746	1,117,871	8.2%	-68.8%	849,000	31.7%	27.2%
August	739,495	771,460	783,726	1.6%	-82.0%	811,000	-3.4%	20.5%
September	668,431	917,892	0	-100.0%	-100.0%	792,000	-100.0%	-0.7%
October	880,437	1,248,226	0	-100.0%	-100.0%	909,000	-100.0%	-17.4%
November	824,214	954,897	0	-100.0%	-100.0%	860,000	-100.0%	-28.7%
December	704,965	843,307	0	-100.0%	-100.0%	736,000	-100.0%	-36.2%
January	730,141	768,120	0	-100.0%	-100.0%	734,000	-100.0%	-42.3%
February	525,142	757,929	0	-100.0%	-100.0%	616,000	-100.0%	-46.5%
March	636,968	699,588	0	-100.0%	-100.0%	605,000	-100.0%	-50.1%
Totals	3,290,496	4,350,802	4,465,754			8,958,000		

County Receipts - August	FY-27	FY-26	$	%
Onondaga	449,000	463,477	(14,477)	-3%
Oswego	73,589	80,808	(7,219)	-9%
Cayuga	59,767	54,813	4,955	9%
Cortland	32,370	27,138	5,232	19%
Oneida	169,000	145,225	23,775	16%
Total	783,726	771,460	12,266	2%

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOW

Central New York Regional Transportation Authority
Statement of Cash Flow
As of 08/31/2026
(In Whole Numbers)

Cash Flows From Operating Activities:		
Operating Receipts from Fares, Contract Bill & Misc Items	$	888,760
Mortgage Tax Receipts		1,117,871
State Operating Assistance		16,382,898
Payments to Vendors & Bank Fees		(2,969,759)
Payments for Employee Benefits		(840,919)
Payments of Payroll Related Wages & Liabilities		(3,148,768)
Net Cash Provided by (Utilized in) Operating Activities	**$**	**11,430,082**
Cash Flows From Capital Activities:		
Federal & State Grants Proceeds for Capital Additions		391,710
Federal Receipts for PM & Capital Operating Assistance		1,279,907
Purchases of Capital Assets		(72,468)
Net Cash Provided by (Utilized in) Capital Activities	**$**	**1,599,149**
Net Change in Cash from Operating & Capital Activities	**$**	**13,029,232**
General Fund Cash Balances - Beginning of Period	**$**	**7,557,196**
General Fund Cash Balances - End of Period*	**$**	**20,586,428**
Reserve Funds:		
Insurance Reserve		2,922
Health Insurance Reserve		251,636
Capital Reserve Fund		96,000
Paratransit Reserve		92,376
Invested Funds		30,577,363
Invested Funds (Restricted & Unrestricted)	**$**	**31,020,298**
Total Cash All Sources - End of Period:	**$**	**51,606,726**

***General Fund Cash Includes General Disbursing and Money Market Accounts Only**

PROCUREMENT

ACTIVE PROCUREMENTS REQUIRING BOARD ACTION

On Today's Agenda

TPA for Dental Services 2027-2032
Virtual Infrastructure Software 2026-2029
Utica Facility Purchase
Bulk Diesel Fuel 2027-2037
Virtualization Mass Storage Upgrade

Within 2 Months

TPA for Medical Services 2027-2032
Phone and Internet Services 2027-2037
Mini Van and Sedan Services A 2027-2032
Actuarial Services 2027-2032
Drug & Alcohol Testing and Physical Exam Services 2027-2032

Within 6 Months

Printer Maintenance Services 2027-2032
Transportation Planning Consultant 2027-2032
Radiant Heating Modifications 2026
Bike Share Program 2027-2032

CAPITAL PROGRAMS AND PLANNING

Capital programs encompass the planning, funding, and delivery of the Authority's long-term infrastructure and fleet investments. This includes the development, submission, award, and management of federal, state, and local grant funding opportunities, as well as the advancement of projects identified in the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). These efforts are critical to maintaining a state of good repair while supporting system expansion and service innovation.

Grant Activity Snapshot

Total Funding in Play: $115.32 million
In Development/Submission: $7.07 million
Under Review/Award Pending: $25.1 million
Awarded – Future Agreement Development: $44.75 million
Awarded – Agreement in Development: $2 million
Active/In Execution: $36.4 million
Active Grant Efforts: 12

Grant Pipeline

The Authority's grant program operates across multiple phases, each requiring distinct levels of technical development, coordination, and administrative execution:

Development → Submission → Review → Award → Agreement Development → Implementation

- Development & Submission: Project scoping, cost estimating, and application preparation
- Review & Award: Competitive evaluation by funding agencies
- Agreement Development: Execution of grant agreements (FTA TrAMS and NYSDOT contracting processes)
- Implementation: Ongoing project delivery, compliance, and reporting

Grant Development & Program Management

The Authority is concurrently managing multiple high-value funding programs across all phases of the grant lifecycle, from initial application development through agreement execution and project delivery. These efforts require significant coordination and technical expertise, including:

- Alignment of funding opportunities with project readiness and capital priorities
- Development of complex, multi-year capital funding applications across multiple funding programs
- Coordination with federal, state, and local funding partners and stakeholders
- Navigation of multiple grant management systems, including FTA TrAMS and NYSDOT contracting processes
- Advancement of awarded funding into fully executed grant agreements
- Ongoing compliance, reporting, and financial management of active awards

This level of activity reflects a sustained and strategic approach to maximizing external funding while advancing critical capital investments.

FEDERAL GRANT FUNDING

In Development/Submission

- FTA Section 5339(c) Low or No Emission and Buses and Bus Facilities Program: $7.07 million ($5,656,594 federal with $1,414,148 local match) for eleven (11) Cortland bus replacements. Applications due September 21, 2026.

Awarded – Future Agreement Development

- FTA Section 5339(c) Low or No Emission and Buses and Bus Facilities Program: $36 million ($28,800,000 federal with $7,200,000 local match) awarded for the Oneida Facility Construction project. Grant agreement development and execution anticipated in FFY 2027.

Active/In Execution

- FTA Section 5307 and 5339(c) Grant Programs Applications: Four (4) FFY2026 draft grant agreements totaling approximately $36.4 million ($27,880,435 federal, $542,500 state match $7,927,609 local match) to support capital and operating projects.

STATE GRANT FUNDING

Under Review/Award Pending

- Innovative Mobility Initiative (CRP): $9.1 million under review, with potential transition to a federal passthrough program.
- Transit Ready NY: 100% state dedicated funding program administered by the NYSDOT to upgrade, modernize, and enhance public transportation services for capital expenditures. $16 million application in development to support BRT capital investments.

Awarded – Future Agreement in Development

- Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ): $8.75 million ($7,000,000 federal with $1,750,000 local match), to support BRT capital investments. Funds to transfer from FHWA to FTA Section 5307. Grant agreement development and execution anticipated in FFY 2027.

OTHER/LOCAL FUNDING INITIATIVES

In Development/Submission

- Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF): $25,000 application in development for Centro of Oneida 2025-2026 program funding.

Awarded – Agreement in Development

- Green CHIPS: $2 million awarded. Application and agreement development are in progress.

CAPITAL PLANNING & PROJECT DELIVERY

The Central New York Regional Transportation Authority's (CNYRTA) Capital Planning Committee continues to meet regularly to evaluate the Authority's capital needs and to guide short- and long-term investments in alignment with the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). The Committee's work ensures that limited capital resources are strategically prioritized to address immediate operational requirements while advancing the Authority's long-range strategic objectives. Key projects currently in the execution phase include:

- Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Planning
- Oneida Facility Consolidation Planning
- Various Building Improvements and Technology

The Authority remains focused on maximizing available funding and advancing these initiatives in a fiscally responsible manner, positioning CNYRTA to meet the evolving mobility and infrastructure needs of the communities it serves.

MOTION

CNYRTA Property Insurance Renewal

Jon Maloff will present the renewal of CNYRTA's property insurance coverage for its buildings, including the transit hubs. The renewal policy period is September 9, 2026, through September 9, 2027. The policy will be placed with Affiliated Factory Mutual Insurance Company at an annual premium of $327,927, representing a nine percent (9%) decrease from the prior year's premium of $360,494. This increase reflects 12 months of coverage for Cortland properties.

Recommended Motion

It is recommended that the Board of Directors authorize the renewal of property insurance coverage for CNYRTA's buildings, including the transit hubs, for the period of September 9, 2026, through September 9, 2027, at a premium of $327,927.

Resolution No. 2672
Date: September 25, 2026

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE CONTRACT AWARD FOR THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATOR FOR DENTAL SERVICES 2027-2032

WHEREAS, the Central New York Regional Transportation Authority (CNYRTA) has the need for a firm to provide third party administration for dental services; and

WHEREAS, this contract will be paid for using operating funds, and

WHEREAS, the Request for Proposal was publicly let on June 15, 2026, and

WHEREAS, three (3) vendors were invited and twenty-five (25) proposal packages were downloaded, and

WHEREAS, three (3) responsive proposals were received on July 15, 2026; and

WHEREAS, it was determined by the evaluation committee that Delta Dental of New York offered the most advantageous proposal; and

WHEREAS, the staff of CNYRTA is aware of no interest held by any Member of the CNYRTA or any staff member thereof or any family member of such individual in the firm to which this contract is made, and

WHEREAS, to the best of our knowledge and belief, no member of the governing body of CNYRTA, or its subsidiaries, and no other officer, employee or agent of CNYRTA, or its subsidiaries, whether or not exercising any functions or responsibilities in connection with the carrying out of the project to which this contract pertains, during his/her tenure or two years thereafter, has any personal interest, direct or indirect in this contract, and

WHEREAS, to the best of our knowledge and belief, no member of the governing body of the CNYRTA, or its subsidiaries, and no other officer, agent, servant or employee employed by or appointed by CNYRTA, or its subsidiaries, is in any way or manner interested, directly or indirectly, as principal, surety, or otherwise, in this contract, and

WHEREAS, to the best of our knowledge and belief, this award is consistent with the Code of Ethical Conduct for Members of the Central New York Regional Transportation Authority originally adopted by it on July 20, 1990, as Motion No. 775, and as revised and updated on April 25, 2008, as Motion No. 1709.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF MEMBERS OF THE CENTRAL NEW YORK REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY, that the Chief Executive Officer or his designee is authorized to enter into a five (5) year contract with Delta Dental of New York for third party administrator for dental services. The contract would commence April 1, 2027.

FACT SHEET
THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATOR FOR DENTAL SERVICES 2027-2032

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The CNYRTA has the need for a firm to provide third party administration for dental services.

ADVERTISEMENT: A Request for Proposal was advertised on June 15, 2026, in the NYS Contract Reporter, Post Standard (Onondaga, Cayuga and Oswego County editions), Rome Sentinel, Utica Observer-Dispatch, Cortland Standard, Palladium Times and Minority Commerce Weekly.

FUNDING: The contract is to be paid for using operating funds.

PROCUREMENT PROCESS: The CNYRTA publicly let a Request for Proposal (RFP) for these services. This contract is to be awarded based upon evaluation criteria set forth in the RFP. A selection committee consisting of Jackie Musengo, Chris Morreale, Stacy Schreiner and Caitlin MacCollum, along with our consultant One Group, evaluated the proposals. When evaluating proposals, the committee took into consideration: network and administration capabilities, organizational capacity and experience, customer service, cost, technology and method of approach.

PRICING RECEIVED:

Administration Fee	Excellus	Delta Dental	UMR
Year 1	$3.30	$3.75	$3.80
Year 2	$3.30	$3.75	$3.80
Year 3	$3.30	$3.75	$3.80
Year 4	$3.40	$3.85	$3.80
Year 5	$3.50	$3.85	$3.80

COMMENTS: Excellus' lower administration fees are outweighed by the significantly higher estimated claims cost.

Delta Dental of New York is the incumbent TPA for dental services and the CNYRTA is more than satisfied with the service currently provided.

RECOMMENDATION: Based upon evaluation of the proposals, staff recommends contract award to Delta Dental of New York for a five (5) year term, commencing April 1, 2027.

Resolution No. 2673
Date: September 25, 2026

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE CONTRACT AWARD FOR VIRTUAL INFRASTRUCTURE SOFTWARE 2026-2029

WHEREAS, the Central New York Regional Transportation Authority (CNYRTA) has a need for an authorized vendor to provide licensing for virtual infrastructure software; and

WHEREAS, this contract will be paid for using operating funds; and

WHEREAS, the Invitation for Bid was publicly let on July 28, 2026; and

WHEREAS, twenty-nine (29) vendors were invited, of which ten (10) were sent to NYS Certified M/WBE firms and fifty-eight (58) bid packages were downloaded; and

WHEREAS, one (1) bid was received on August 19, 2026, with the lowest responsive and responsible bid received from Quality and Assurance Technology Corporation; and

WHEREAS, the price was determined to be fair and reasonable based upon comparison with the other bids and independent cost estimate; and

WHEREAS, the staff of CNYRTA is aware of no interest held by any Member of the CNYRTA or any staff member thereof or any family member of such individual in the firm to which this contract is made; and

WHEREAS, to the best of our knowledge and belief, no member of the governing body of CNYRTA, or its subsidiaries, and no other officer, employee or agent of CNYRTA, or its subsidiaries, whether or not exercising any functions or responsibilities in connection with the carrying out of the project to which this contract pertains, during his/her tenure or two years thereafter, has any personal interest, direct or indirect in this contract; and

WHEREAS, to the best of our knowledge and belief, no member of the governing body of the CNYRTA, or its subsidiaries, and no other officer, agent, servant or employee employed by or appointed by CNYRTA, or its subsidiaries, is in any way or manner interested, directly or indirectly, as principal, surety, or otherwise, in this contract.

WHEREAS, to the best of our knowledge and belief, this award is consistent with the Code of Ethical Conduct for Members of the Central New York Regional Transportation Authority originally adopted by it on July 20, 1990, as Motion No. 775, and as revised and updated on April 25, 2008, as Motion No. 1709.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF MEMBERS OF THE CENTRAL NEW YORK REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY, that the Chief Executive Officer or his designee is authorized to enter into a three (3) year contract with Quality and Assurance Technology Corporation for virtual infrastructure software licensing. The contract would commence October 14, 2026.

FACT SHEET
VIRTUAL INFRASTRUCTURE SOFTWARE 2026-2029

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The CNYRTA has a need for an authorized vendor to provide licensing for virtual infrastructure software.

ADVERTISEMENT: An Invitation for Bid was advertised on July 28, 2026, in the NYS Contract Reporter, Post Standard (Onondaga, Cayuga and Oswego County editions), Rome Sentinel, Utica Observer-Dispatch, Cortland Standard and the Minority Commerce Weekly.

FUNDING: This contract is to be paid for using operating funds.

PRICING RECEIVED:

Description	Quality and Assurance Technology Corp
Licensing and Support Per Specifications - Year 1	$54,181.83
Licensing and Support Per Specifications - Year 2	$54,181.83
Licensing and Support Per Specifications - Year 3	$54,181.83
Total	$162,545.49

COMMENTS: Quality and Assurance Technology Corporation has provided software licensing services in the past for the CNYRTA with good results.

MWBE: This contract will attain 100% MBE utilization as Quality and Assurance Technology Corporation is NYS MBE Certified.

RECOMMENDATION: Based upon evaluation of the bid documents staff recommends contract award to Quality and Assurance Technology Corporation for a three (3) year term, commencing October 14, 2026.

Resolution No. 2674
Date: September 25, 2026

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE OF VIRTUALIZATION MASS STORAGE UPGRADE

WHEREAS, the Central New York Regional Transportation Authority (CNYRTA) has a need for a qualified vendor to furnish new equipment needed to upgrade the virtualization mass storage; and

WHEREAS, this contract will be paid for using grant funds with an 80% Federal share, 10% State share and 10% Local share; and

WHEREAS, the Request for Quote was sent on September 4, 2026; and

WHEREAS, three (3) vendors were invited; and

WHEREAS, one (1) quote was received on September 14, 2026, with the lowest responsive and responsible quote received from Lyon Micro, LLC; and

WHEREAS, the price was determined to be fair and reasonable based upon comparison with the independent cost estimate; and

WHEREAS, the staff of CNYRTA is aware of no interest held by any Member of the CNYRTA or any staff member thereof or any family member of such individual in the firm to which this contract is made; and

WHEREAS, to the best of our knowledge and belief, no member of the governing body of CNYRTA, or its subsidiaries, and no other officer, employee or agent of CNYRTA, or its subsidiaries, whether or not exercising any functions or responsibilities in connection with the carrying out of the project to which this contract pertains, during his/her tenure or two years thereafter, has any personal interest, direct or indirect in this contract; and

WHEREAS, to the best of our knowledge and belief, no member of the governing body of the CNYRTA, or its subsidiaries, and no other officer, agent, servant or employee employed by or appointed by CNYRTA, or its subsidiaries, is in any way or manner interested, directly or indirectly, as principal, surety, or otherwise, in this contract.

WHEREAS, to the best of our knowledge and belief, this award is consistent with the Code of Ethical Conduct for Members of the Central New York Regional Transportation Authority originally adopted by it on July 20, 1990, as Motion No. 775, and as revised and updated on April 25, 2008, as Motion No. 1709.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF MEMBERS OF THE CENTRAL NEW YORK REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY, that the Chief Executive Officer or his designee is authorized to issue a purchase order for equipment needed to upgrade the virtualization mass storage to Lyon Micro, LLC, in the amount of $111,831.53.

FACT SHEET
VIRTUALIZATION MASS STORAGE UPGRADE

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The CNYRTA has a need for a qualified vendor to furnish new equipment needed to upgrade the virtualization mass storage.

FUNDING: This contract is to be paid for using grant funds with an 80% Federal share, 10% State share and 10% Local share.

PRICING RECEIVED:

Description	Lyon Micro, LLC.
HPE Alletra MP B10000 Storage	$111,831.53

COMMENTS: This is one phase of the upgrade for the virtualization mass storage. This phase is required now to support a B&G project to upgrade Siemen's environmental control system, which our current virtual environment cannot support.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends the Board authorize the issuance of a purchase order to Lyon Micro, LLC., in the amount of $111,831.53 to furnish new equipment needed to upgrade the virtualization mass storage.

Resolution No. 2675
Date: September 25, 2026

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE CONTRACT AWARD FOR BULK DIESEL FUEL 2027-2037

WHEREAS, the Central New York Regional Transportation Authority (CNYRTA) has a need for a vendor to provide bulk delivery of ultra low sulfur diesel in different blends; and

WHEREAS, this contract will be paid for using operating funds; and

WHEREAS, the Invitation for Bid was publicly let on June 30, 2026; and

WHEREAS, twenty-three (23) vendors were invited, of which three (3) were sent to NYS Certified M/WBE firms and in total twenty-one (21) bid packages were downloaded; and

WHEREAS, two (2) bids were received on July 22, 2026, with the lowest responsive and responsible bid received from Buell Fuel; and

WHEREAS, the price was determined to be fair and reasonable based upon comparison with the other bids and independent cost estimate; and

WHEREAS, the staff of CNYRTA is aware of no interest held by any Member of the CNYRTA or any staff member thereof or any family member of such individual in the firm to which this contract is made; and

WHEREAS, to the best of our knowledge and belief, no member of the governing body of CNYRTA, or its subsidiaries, and no other officer, employee or agent of CNYRTA, or its subsidiaries, whether or not exercising any functions or responsibilities in connection with the carrying out of the project to which this contract pertains, during his/her tenure or two years thereafter, has any personal interest, direct or indirect in this contract; and

WHEREAS, to the best of our knowledge and belief, no member of the governing body of the CNYRTA, or its subsidiaries, and no other officer, agent, servant or employee employed by or appointed by CNYRTA, or its subsidiaries, is in any way or manner interested, directly or indirectly, as principal, surety, or otherwise, in this contract.

WHEREAS, to the best of our knowledge and belief, this award is consistent with the Code of Ethical Conduct for Members of the Central New York Regional Transportation Authority originally adopted by it on July 20, 1990, as Motion No. 775, and as revised and updated on April 25, 2008, as Motion No. 1709.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF MEMBERS OF THE CENTRAL NEW YORK REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY, that the Chief Executive Officer or his designee is authorized to enter into a ten (10) year contract with Buell Fuel for Bulk Diesel Fuel. The contract would commence April 1, 2027.

FACT SHEET
BULK DIESEL FUEL 2027-2037

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The CNYRTA has a need for a vendor to provide bulk delivery of ultra low sulfur diesel in different blends to four (4) of its facilities.

ADVERTISEMENT: An Invitation for Bid was advertised on June 30, 2026, in the NYS Contract Reporter, Post Standard (Onondaga, Cayuga and Oswego County editions), Rome Sentinel, Utica Observer-Dispatch, Cortland Standard and the Minority Commerce Weekly.

FUNDING: This contract is to be paid for using operating funds.

PRICING RECEIVED:

	Buell Fuel, LLC	**Mirabito Energy**
Diesel Blends:		
100% ULSD Priced per Gallon	$3.5690	$3.6247
Adder Amounts Added to 100% USLD Rate		
ULSD Winter Blend (Additives)	+$0.0250 /Gal	+$0.0300 /Gal
ULSD and ULSK Blended at 90/10	+$0.0127 /Gal	+$0.0223 /Gal
ULSD and ULSK Blended at 80/20	+$0.0383 /Gal	+$0.0522 /Gal
ULSD and ULSK Blended at 70/30	+$0.0380 /Gal	+$0.0523 /Gal
ULSD and ULSK Blended at 60/40	+$0.0380 /Gal	+$0.0523 /Gal

COMMENTS: Buell Fuell has provided bulk deliveries in the past for the CNYRTA with positive results.

MWBE: A full waiver for MWBE participation was approved by NYS Empire Development on this contract.

RECOMMENDATION: Based upon evaluation of the bid documents, the staff recommends contract award to Buell Fuel for a ten (10) year term, commencing April 1, 2027.

THE CENTRAL NEW YORK REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
AUDIT AND FINANCE COMMITTEE
200 CORTLAND AVENUE, SYRACUSE, NEW YORK
MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 25, 2026, AUDIT AND FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

MEMBERS PRESENT:	NICHOLAS LAINO, Chair ANTHONY DAVIS, Vice Chair TINA FITZGERALD, Treasurer ROBERT CUCLICH JULIUS LAWRENCE HEATHER SNOW LOUELLA WILLIAMS FRANK SAYA, Non-Voting Member
MEMBERS ABSENT:	DARLENE LATTIMORE, Secretary NEIL BURKE
STAFF PRESENT:	CHRISTOPHER TUFF, Chief Executive Officer JACQUELYN MUSENGO, Executive Vice President GEOFF HOFF, VP of Fleet and Facilities BRUCE FONG, VP of Information Technologies MELISSA BRIM, VP of Finance RAHMIN AZRIA, VP of Operations BREN DAISS, VP of Communication & Business Planning CHRIS MORREALE, Associate VP of Human Resources DANIELLE SIMELE, Director of Accounting PAULA CUTRONE, Senior Manager of Transit Data and Equity JASON SMITH, Senior Procurement Analyst SUZANN HENSLEY, Internal Control Manager DYLAN BORDONHOS, Desktop Support Specialist
PUBLIC PRESENT:	BRAD HUNT JON MALOFF PETER ROMANO

CALL TO ORDER At 9:05 A.M. Chairman Laino called the meeting to order.

- Chairman Laino noted a quorum was present
- The next Committee meeting will be on October 23, 2026

PROPERTY INSURANCE POLICY RENEWAL

Mr. Jon Maloff presented a Motion to approve the Property insurance policy renewal. A copy of the rates are included in the minutes.

A Motion to approve the property insurance policy renewal, was raised and forwarded to the Board for approval.

Motion – Anthony Davis
Seconded – Tina Fitzgerald
Carried Unanimously to the Board with a recommendation of approval.

August 31, 2026, STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES

Ms. Brim presented a Motion to approve the August 31, 2026, Statement of Revenue and Expenditures. A copy of the Statements and Motion are attached to these Minutes.

A Motion to approve the August 31, 2026, Statement of Revenue and Expenditures as recommended by the Audit and Finance Committee, was raised and forwarded to the Board for approval.

Motion – Anthony Davis
Seconded – Julius Lawrence
Carried Unanimously to the Board with a recommendation of approval.

THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATOR FOR DENTAL SERVICES

Ms. Brim presented a Resolution to authorize contract award for Third Party Administrator for Dental Services 2027-2032 to Delta Dental for a five (5) year term commencing April 1, 2027. A copy of the Motion is attached to these Minutes.

A Motion to authorize contract award for Third Party Administrator for Dental Services 2027-2032 to Delta Dental was raised and forwarded to the Board for approval.

Motion – Tina Fitzgerald
Seconded – Heather Snow
Carried Unanimously to the Board with a recommendation of approval.

VIRTUAL INFRASTRUCTURE SOFTWARE

Ms. Brim presented a Resolution to authorize contract award for Virtual Infrastructure Software to Quality and Assurance Technology Corp. for a 3-year term commencing October 14, 2026. A copy of the Resolution is attached to these Minutes.

A Motion to authorize contract award for Virtual Infrastructure Software for a 3-year term to Quality and Assurance Technology Corp was raised and forwarded to the Board for approval.

Motion – Anthony Davis
Seconded – Heather Snow
Carried Unanimously to the Board with a recommendation of approval.

VIRTUALIZATION MASS STORAGE UPGRADE

Mr. Smith presented a Resolution to issue a purchase order to Lyon Micro, LLC, in the amount of $111,831.53 for the purchase of HPE Alletra MP B10000 Storage. A copy of the Resolution is attached to these Minutes.

A Motion to authorize issuance of a purchase order for HPE Alletra MP B10000 Storage to Lyon Micro LLC was raised and forwarded to the Board for approval

Motion – Julius Lawrence
Seconded – Tina Fitzgerald
Abstained – Heather Snow
Carried unanimously to the Board with a recommendation of approval.

BULK DIESEL FUEL 2027-2037

Mr. Smith presented a Resolution to authorize contract award for Bulk Diesel Fuel 2027-2037 to Buell Fuel, LLC. for a ten (10) year term commencing April 1, 2027. A copy of the Resolution is attached to these Minutes.

A Motion to authorize contract award for Bulk Diesel Fuel 2027-2037 to Buell Fuel, LLC was raised and forwarded to the Board for approval.

Motion – Louella Williams
Seconded – Tina Fitzgerald
Carried Unanimously to the Board with a recommendation of approval.

ADJOURNED

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the Audit and Finance Committee Meeting was adjourned.

Chairman

ATTEST:

Secretary