

COUNTY OF CORTLAND

LOCAL LAW NO. 3  
FOR THE YEAR 1966

A LOCAL LAW ESTABLISHING A DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS AND  
PRESCRIBING THE POWERS AND DUTIES THEREOF, PURSUANT TO  
THE MUNICIPAL HOME RULE LAW OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

Be it enacted by the Board of Supervisors of the County  
of Cortland, New York, as follows:

Section 1. For the purpose of carrying out the provisions  
of the Highway Law in respect to the construction and maintenance  
of highways, roads and bridges and the control of snow and ice  
thereon within the county, there is hereby established a depart-  
ment of county government to be known as the department of high-  
ways of the County of Cortland.

2. The head of said department shall be the county superin-  
tendent of highways appointed pursuant to the provisions of sec-  
tion one hundred of the Highway Law, whose salary shall be fixed  
by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Cortland, payable  
by the County Treasurer in semi-monthly installments, and who  
shall be paid in addition thereto the actual and necessary expenses  
incurred in the performance of his official duties, including a  
mileage allowance for the miles actually and necessarily traveled  
on official business by the use of his own automobile as fixed by  
said board, upon the audit of duly verified claims therefor by  
said board. Said board of supervisors may remove such county  
superintendent of highways for malfeasance or misfeasance in  
office upon written charges, after an opportunity to be heard  
not less than five days after the service upon such superintendent  
of highways of a copy of such charges.

3. The term of office of such county superintendent of  
highways shall be four years, unless sooner removed by the Board  
of Supervisors as above provided, or by the department of public  
works as provided in the Highway Law. A vacancy in the office of  
county superintendent of highways shall be filled by the Board of  
Supervisors for the unexpired term as prescribed by law.

4. The county superintendent of highways shall have and  
perform all of the powers and duties conferred on county superinten-  
dents of highways by the Highway Law, the General Municipal Law,

the Vehicle and Traffic Law, and any other general or special law, and shall perform such additional and related duties as may be prescribed and directed by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Cortland. He shall have the supervision and control of all persons employed in the department of highways.

5. The county superintendent of highways may appoint qualified persons to the positions of employment established from time to time by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Cortland for the department of highways.

6. The County superintendent shall have the power to remove departmental employees under the procedure set forth by law.

7. The county superintendent of highways, with the approval of the board of supervisors of the county of Cortland, may appoint for a term not extending beyond the term of office of said county superintendent of highways and at pleasure remove deputy county superintendent of highways, to serve at such compensation as may be fixed by the board of supervisors. Such deputy shall have all the powers and duties of such county superintendent of highways during his inability to act as such county superintendent of highways, or during the regular or approved vacation period of such county superintendent of highways.

8. Subject to the written approval of the highway committee of the board of supervisors of the county of Cortland, the county superintendent of highways shall within the amount appropriated for that purpose, appoint and employ such other persons as may be necessary for the construction and maintenance of county roads and bridges and the control of snow and ice thereon and the maintenance of the county garage, and fix the salary and compensation of such employees.

9. The county superintendent of highways may procure at the expense of the county of Cortland a blanket undertaking from any duly authorized corporate surety covering the officers, clerks and employees in the department of highways indemnifying the county of Cortland against losses through the failure of the officers, clerks and employees covered thereunder faithfully to perform their duties, or to account properly for all moneys or

property received by virtue of their positions or employment.

10. The county superintendent of highways, with the approval of the highway committee of the board of supervisors of the County of Cortland, may adopt rules and regulations, not inconsistent with law, for the conduct of the affairs and business of the department of highways.

11. This local law shall become effective on January 10, 1967, subject to the provisions of the Municipal Home Rule Law.

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