

BUDGET, FINANCE & PERSONNEL

RESOLUTION NO. 2026073

RE: CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF SHANNON DECKER
AS COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE

Legislators VALDÉS SMITH, POLASEK, METZGER, ALEXANDER, CASWELL, DARROW, FAUST, GILES, HOUSE, MCHOUL, REDL, RHODES, ROLISON and TRESKA offer the following and move its adoption:

WHEREAS, the County Executive has appointed Shannon Decker as Commissioner of Finance effective May 2, 2026, and pursuant to Article VI, Section 6.01 of the Dutchess County Charter, the County Executive herein seeks confirmation of said appointment by this body, and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Human Resources has determined that Shannon Decker is qualified to perform the duties of the position of Commissioner of Finance, and

WHEREAS, a copy of Shannon Decker's resume is annexed hereto, now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Legislature of the County of Dutchess does hereby confirm the appointment of Shannon Decker to the position of Commissioner of Finance effective May 2, 2026.

CA-059-26
CEB/rjw
G-0145
4/16/2026
Fiscal Impact: See Attached.

APPROVED
Susan J. Serino
SUSAN J. SERINO
COUNTY EXECUTIVE
Date May 19, 2026

STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF DUTCHESS

SS:

This is to certify that I, the undersigned Clerk of the Legislature of the County of Dutchess, have compared the foregoing resolution with the original resolution now on file in the office of said clerk, and which was adopted by said Legislature on the 12 day of May, 2026, and that the same is a true and correct transcript of said original resolution and of the whole thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of said Legislature this 12 day of May, 2026.



[Signature]
JULIE SITROISHI, CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE

Roll Call Sheets

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COORDINATION

Initialing indicates information only:

 County Executive

CB County Attorney (as to form)

RCB Human Resources

 Budget

SUE SERINO
COUNTY EXECUTIVE



22 Market Street
Poughkeepsie, NY 12601
Phone: 845-486-2000

DUTCHESS COUNTY GOVERNMENT

April 20, 2026

Mr. Bradford Kendall
Dutchess County Clerk
22 Market Street
Poughkeepsie, NY 12601

Dear County Clerk Kendall:

I hereby appoint Shannon Decker as Commissioner of Finance, beginning on May 2, 2026. It is my intention that Ms. Decker serve as Acting Commissioner from May 2, 2026 until she is confirmed by the Legislature at the May 11, 2026 Legislative Board Meeting.

Ms. Decker has served the Department of Finance for nearly 19 years, advancing through multiple roles and gaining broad operational expertise while supervising staff. She is well prepared for this leadership position, and I look forward to working with her in this capacity.

Pursuant to the Dutchess County Charter, I am submitting a resolution for Ms. Decker's confirmation at the May 11, 2026 Board meeting of the Legislature.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sue Serino". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Sue Serino
Dutchess County Executive

Cc: Julie Shirioishi, Clerk of the Legislature
Rachel Kashimer, Commissioner of Human Resources

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

☐ NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED

APPROPRIATION RESOLUTIONS

(To be completed by requesting department)

Total Current Year Cost \$ 0

Total Current Year Revenue \$ _____
and Source

Source of County Funds (check one): ☒ Existing Appropriations, ☐ Contingency,
☐ Transfer of Existing Appropriations, ☐ Additional Appropriations, ☐ Other (explain).

Identify Line Items(s):

Related Expenses: Amount \$ _____

Nature/Reason:

Anticipated Savings to County: _____

Net County Cost (this year): _____
Over Five Years: _____

Additional Comments/Explanation:

The previous Commissioner was budgeted at a higher salary than the new appointment so there will be savings.

Prepared by: Jessica White, Budget Office

Prepared On: 4/14/26

SHANNON DECKER

Pleasant Valley, NY 12569 ~ 845.705.6743 ~ shadecker1@hotmail.com

Demonstrated financial leader with an extensive knowledge of accounting and budgetary practices. Familiar with challenging financial environments and proficient at producing high-quality statements and reports within demanding timeframes while ensuring compliance with accounting and auditing standards. Experienced at managing critical deadlines and providing guidance in all areas of familiarity.

CORE COMPETENCIES

~ Fund Accounting ~ Audit Readiness/Compliance ~ Financial Statement Preparation/Analytical Review ~
~ Budgeting ~ Internal Controls ~ Fiscal Closings ~ Electronic Banking Processes ~ Reconciliation Practices ~
~ General Ledger Activities ~ Revenue/Expense Forecasts ~ Cash Flow Administration ~ Variance Analysis ~

EMPLOYMENT

DUTCHESS COUNTY FINANCE DEPARTMENT, Poughkeepsie, NY

Senior Research Analyst *(June 2021-Present)*

Senior Accountant *(July 2011 – June 2021)*

Accountant *(July 2007 – July 2011)*

- ❖ Evaluate existing accounting and auditing systems, methods and procedures and make recommendations of fiscal and organizational policies and restructuring, consolidation of functions and services.
- ❖ Review County's financial management system and lead in the continued evaluation of the system and enhancements.
- ❖ Interpret and apply laws, rules and regulations concerning fiscal procedures and reporting requirements for federal, state, and local programs.
- ❖ Lead and participate in the implementation of mandated changes in accounting procedures and coding, such as the implementation of GASB 96 – SBITA's, GASB 87 – Leases, GASB 75 – Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions, GASB 68 – Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions, GASB 54 – Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions, and GASB 51 – Accounting and Financial Reporting for Intangible Assets.
- ❖ Provide guidance and assistance to departmental and non-departmental personnel regarding accounting and budgeting matters, operations, and special projects.
- ❖ Oversee the daily operation of the accounting and cash management units within Finance, including the receipt and disbursement of funds, transfer of monies for various transactions, the maintenance of accounting books of record and automated accounting records, preparation of statements for management, and the preparation of financial accounting, cost and statistical statements, studies and reports.
- ❖ Close and adjust books, and prepare, review, and finalize the county Annual Financial Report for the NYS Comptroller's office, as well as the Dutchess County Annual Financial Statements in accordance with GASB 34.
- ❖ Prepare the written response to the annual audit report or to audits by outside authorities.
- ❖ Train, supervise and provide consultation on difficult assignments to Accountants and lower-level accounting staff.
- ❖ Assist outside auditors in their review of financial records.
- ❖ Respond to special oral and written requests for financial information.
- ❖ Assist in the preparation and review of revenue estimates for the County's annual budget preparation.
- ❖ Supervise the central accounting of claims for state and federal reimbursement of programs.
- ❖ Oversee Capital Fund accounting for over twenty capital projects, including tracking revenues, expenses, budgeting, state and federal revenue accruals and associated capital indebtedness (*including County Airport and Mass Transit capital projects*).

- ❖ Reconcile fixed assets', which includes updating work-in-process schedules, entering new assets, booking depreciation, and completing the fixed asset roll-forward.
- ❖ Prepare and/or review reconciliations of all County checking, money market, and certificate of deposit accounts.
- ❖ Perform the record keeping and required fiscal reporting for state and federally funded programs by interpreting guidelines and instructions and monitoring schedules and reports.

SEDORE AND COMPANY, CPA's, Poughkeepsie, NY
Senior Auditor (January 2006 – July 2007)

- ❖ Planned, performed, and managed non-profit and municipal engagements.
- ❖ Prepared complex engagement workpapers.
- ❖ Provided oversight to staff auditors.
- ❖ Communicated complex issues to Audit Managers and Partners.
- ❖ Prepared individual and non-profit tax returns.
- ❖ Prepared audit client financial statements in accordance with GASB 34.
- ❖ Worked closely with, and maintained positive working relations with all audit clients and coworkers.

SICKLER, TORCHIA, ALLEN & CHURCHILL, CPA's, Lake Katrine, NY
Staff Auditor (August 2004 – January 2006)

- ❖ Assisted in municipal, non-profit, and financial institution engagements.
- ❖ Prepared financial statements for audit clients.
- ❖ Prepared payroll, individual, corporate and non-profit tax returns.
- ❖ Performed general accounting/compilation services for insurance agencies, manufacturing, retail, and wholesale operations, and professional firms.

EDUCATION

State University of New York at New Paltz - New Paltz, NY
Bachelor of Science - Accounting

SUNY Polytechnic Institute - Utica, NY
Master of Science in Accountancy

TECHNOLOGY

FINANCIAL APPLICATIONS
New World FMS/Quickbooks

MICROSOFT APPLICATIONS
Word/Excel

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