

AGENDA

SIXTH SESSION

JUNE 7, 2012

10:30 AM Call to Order
Pledge to Flag
Opening Prayer
Roll Call

Accepting Minutes of **March 26**, April 5, May 3 & May 24, 2012

Public Comment Period

Adirondack Lakes Center for the Arts presenting Decentralization Grant Awards

Mr. Paul A. Grasso, Jr. – Executive Director, North Country Workforce
Investment Board

Reports of Standing/Special Committees

**11:30 AM Mr. Sean Maguire, Department of State – Discuss New DOS
Grant Program**

RESOLUTIONS:

- No. 1 Resolution Supporting NYCO Minerals, Inc.'s Acquisition from the State of New York of Lot 8
- No. 2 Authorizing Acceptance of Back Taxes
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- No. 4 Transfer of Funds – Unemployment Benefits
- No. 5 Amending Resolution No. 36-12 – Hamilton County Fire Advisory Board
- No. 6 Transfer of Funds – Temporary Position in Tourism Department
- No. 7 Transfer of Funds – Community Services
- No. 8 Amending Resolution No. 322-11 – Contract with Laura Davis, Pharmaceutical Consultant for the Year 2012
- No. 9 Authorization to Submit Full Application for Recycling Grant
- No. 10 Approval of Budget Increase for Creek Road Bridge Repairs
- No. 11 Authorizing Disposition of Excess Vehicle

RESOLUTION NO.

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING NYCO MINERALS, INC.'S ACQUISITION FROM THE
STATE OF NEW YORK OF LOT 8**

DATED: JUNE 7, 2012

BY

WHEREAS, since the early 1950's, NYCO Minerals has been producing and supplying an industrial mineral called wollastonite. Wollastonite improves the strength and quality of automotive and consumer plastics, coatings, adhesives, sealants, brake components, construction materials, ceramics, mold fluxes and has many other applications. In Essex County, NYCO has been doing business since 1953 when it began mining and processing operations in Willsboro, NY. The mine in Lewis, NY was opened in 1981 when reserves at the Willsboro mine became limited, and

WHEREAS, since the commencement of mining operations in 1981, NYCO has expended substantial resources in building and operating two (2) plants in Willsboro for the processing of the wollastonite ore removed from the Lewis Mine, and

WHEREAS, NYCO's Willsboro Operation creates direct, indirect and induced labor income of \$6,070,648 and 147 jobs in Essex County, and

WHEREAS, employment supported by NYCO induces \$22.7 million in Essex County housing value, and

WHEREAS, NYCO generates \$2,670,463 in state and local tax revenue and \$2,372,365 million in federal tax revenue annually, and

WHEREAS, according to NYCO, current reserves at the Lewis Mine will be depleted in 3-4 years, and

WHEREAS, Lot 8 consists of 200 acres of vacant land owned by New York State and borders the west side of NYCO's Lewis Mine property. NYCO has not been able to core drill on the property but utilizing existing and historical data from the Lewis Mine estimates that there is a potential 1.2 million tons of reserves available, and

WHEREAS, the acquisition of Lot 8 for NYCO Minerals is crucial for extending the life of the operation in New York State. It allows the extension of reserves of a crucial asset to NYCO and the ability to extract those reserves at lower costs to maintain market competitiveness and employment in the North Country, and

WHEREAS, with the addition of Lot 8 reserves, NYCO estimates that its operations could be extended by 8-10 years without a new development program, providing economic benefits to NYCO, its employees, local residents, Essex County, and New York State, and

WHEREAS, with existing infrastructure from the Lewis Mine, NYCO could minimize the amount of areas needing to be affected and offer reduced mining costs than starting at other locations after the Lewis Mine is closed, and

WHEREAS, Essex County considers NYCO to be critical to the economic success of the County, and

WHEREAS, Essex County Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution No. 150 of May 7, 2012, in support of this proposal, and

WHEREAS, in order to acquire Lot 8 from New York State, an amendment to Section XIV of the New York State Constitution is necessary because Lot 8 is considered State Forest Preserve Land. Given the critical importance of NYCO to the economic health of Essex County, the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors urges the New York State Legislature to proceed with the amendment and any subsequent legislation necessary to authorize the sale of Lot 8 to NYCO, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors hereby supports the acquisition of Lot 8 by NYCO Minerals, Inc., from the State of New York, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Board is hereby authorized and directed to immediately send certified copies of this resolution to Governor Andrew Cuomo, Senator Charles E. Schumer, Senator Kirsten E. Gillibrand, Congressman Christopher Gibson, Congressman William Owens, Senator Elizabeth O’C. Little, Senator Hugh Farley, Assemblywoman Teresa Sayward, Assemblyman Marc Butler, and Assemblywoman Janet Duprey, DEC Commissioner Martens, NYSAC, and Adirondack Inter-County.

Seconded by

RESOLUTION NO.

AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF BACK TAXES

DATED: JUNE 7, 2012

BY

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has been contacted by Brian Farrell, owner of record on property located in Indian Lake, with parcel ID #56.015-1-68.111 concerning the 2010 and 2011 back taxes owed, and

WHEREAS, Brian Farrell has submitted a written explanation of the circumstances of why the taxes have not been paid to date and a request to rectify the situation by paying the 2010 and 2011 back taxes immediately, be it

RESOLVED, that the Hamilton County Treasurer is hereby authorized to accept payment of the taxes owed in the amount of \$12,688.08 together with an administrative charge of \$500.00 for a total of \$13,188.08.

Seconded by

RESOLUTION NO.

AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF BACK TAXES

DATED: JUNE 7, 2012

BY

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has been contacted by Therese P. Payne, owner of record on property located in Inlet, with parcel ID# 59.016-10-33.120 concerning the 2010/2011 back taxes owed, and

WHEREAS, Therese P. Payne has submitted a written explanation of the circumstances of why the taxes have not been paid to date by her and a request to rectify the situation by paying the 2010/2011 back taxes, be it

RESOLVED, that the Hamilton County Treasurer is hereby authorized to accept payment of the taxes owed in the amount of \$1,961.43 together with an administrative charge of \$500.00 for a total of \$2,461.43.

Seconded by

RESOLUTION NO.

TRANSFER OF FUNDS-UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

DATED: JUNE 7, 2012

BY

WHEREAS, the Unemployment benefits account 9050.8010D has been depleted in the first quarter with benefit payments, and

WHEREAS, the month of April contains charges of approximately \$4,500 which will be billed at the end of the second quarter, be it

RESOLVED, that \$5,000.00 be transferred from Unappropriated Fund Balance in accordance with Section 366, Subdivision 1 of the County Law to Unemployment Benefits Account No. 9050.8010D to cover the payment of the unemployment benefits.

Seconded by

RESOLUTION NO.

**AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 36-12 – HAMILTON COUNTY FIRE ADVISORY
BOARD**

DATED: JUNE 7, 2012

BY

BE IT RESOLVED, that Resolution No. 36-12 adopted January 5, 2012 be amended to add Blue Mt. Lake Assistant Chief Charles Brusco as an appointee to the Hamilton County Fire Advisory Board for a term of January 1, 2012 – December 31, 2012.

Seconded by

RESOLUTION NO.

TRANSFER OF FUNDS – TEMPORARY POSITION IN TOURISM DEPARTMENT

DATED: JUNE 7, 2012

BY

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 41-12 adopted January 5, 2012 authorized William Osborne to fill the vacancy caused by Ms. Melious' medical leave for the period of the medical leave, and

WHEREAS, the time needed to fill the vacancy exceeded the \$2,500.00 that was transferred to cover Mr. Osborne's employment, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer is hereby authorized to transfer \$224.07 from Account No. A1990.401 Contingent to Account No. A8020.104 Temporary to cover said shortage.

Seconded by

RESOLUTION NO.

TRANSFER OF FUNDS – COMMUNITY SERVICES

DATED: JUNE 7, 2012

BY

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Community Services Department is recommending to the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors that an unused portion of 2012 salary in Account No. A4310.110 Case Manager for a currently vacant case manger position be reallocated to Account No. A4310.403 Mental Hygiene Supplies so as to replace six outdated computers within the department at a cost of \$4,131.12, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer is hereby authorized to transfer \$4,131.12 from Account No. A4310.110 Case Manager to Account No. A4310.403 Supplies.

Seconded by

RESOLUTION NO.

**AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 322-11 – CONTRACT WITH LAURA DAVIS,
PHARMACEUTICAL CONSULTANT FOR THE YEAR 2012**

DATED: JUNE 7, 2012

BY

BE IT RESOLVED, that Resolution No. 332-11 of December 1, 2011, is hereby amended to add the cost of Laura Davis' insurance as a reimbursable expense, since Laura Davis may be required to provide additional services during large scale distribution, for which she currently doesn't have insurance.

Seconded by

RESOLUTION NO.

AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT FULL APPLICATION FOR RECYCLING GRANT

DATED: JUNE 7, 2012

BY

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 199-08 duly adopted by the Board of Supervisors on August 7, 2008 authorized the Chairman to enter into an agreement with Barton & Loguidice (B&L) of Syracuse to submit a pre application grant and then a full application to the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation for recycling equipment at 50% reimbursement, and

WHEREAS, there is an executed agreement in place with B&L to complete the said grant applications, and

WHEREAS, B&L did submit the pre application in October of 2008 and to this point Hamilton County has not had B&L submit the full application because of the length wait time, and

WHEREAS, the Solid Waste Coordinator and Solid Waste Committee recommends that Hamilton County does submit the full application as the County is now ready to start purchasing some replacement recycling equipment, and

WHEREAS, the Solid Waste Coordinator has spoken with B&L and they will still submit the full application for the original amount in the executed agreement for a lump sum of \$3,450.00, be it

RESOLVED, the Solid Waste Coordinator is hereby authorized to have Barton & Loguidice, P.C. move forward in working with the Solid Waste Coordinator in submitting the full application to the NYSDEC for the said recycling grant.

Seconded by

RESOLUTION NO.

APPROVAL OF BUDGET INCREASE FOR CREEK ROAD BRIDGE REPAIRS

DATED: JUNE 7, 2012

BY

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 119-12 duly adopted by the Board of Supervisors on March 26, 2012 authorizes bridge repairs to the Creek Road Bridge with budget of \$50,000.00, and

WHEREAS, the approved work consists of replacing the decking, guide rails and diaphragms, and

WHEREAS, the County Highway Superintendent recommends that the work should also include blasting and painting of the superstructure to protect the structure from further rust deterioration and the Superintendent has received an estimate of \$40,000.00 for this work to be completed, and

WHEREAS, the County Highway Committee does recommend the blasting and painting be completed as part of the project, be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Hamilton does approve the said blasting and painting of the superstructure be made to the Creek Road Bridge as part of the approved repairs of the bridge and that \$40,000.00 be transferred from Unappropriated County Road Fund Balance in accordance with Section 366 Subdivision 1 of the County Law to Account No. D5112.203 Bridge Projects to have this work accomplished and the County Treasurer be so authorized and the Clerk of the Board and County Highway Superintendent be so notified.

Seconded by

RESOLUTION NO.

AUTHORIZING DISPOSITION OF EXCESS VEHICLE

DATED: JUNE 7, 2012

BY

WHEREAS, certain vehicles/equipment have become excess and no longer needed by certain County Agencies, and

WHEREAS, the County Fleet Coordinator has made the recommendations that the following vehicle be disposed from the County inventory:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Make/Model</u>	<u>VIN</u>	<u>Plate#</u>	<u>Dept</u>	<u>FN</u>
2002	CHEV/IMPALA	2G1WF52E629323517	K25894	HWY	803

be it

RESOLVED, that the above vehicle be sold by auction on line by Auctions International and funds from the mentioned auction shall be a revenue credit to revenue DM2665 Sale of Equipment, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Fleet Coordinator see that proper inventory notes be recorded when the transactions are accomplished, and the Fleet Coordinator, Director of Fixed Assets, and the County Treasurer be so notified.

Seconded by