

SECOND SPECIAL SESSION
August 17, 2010
Board of
Supervisors – County of Hamilton
Lake Pleasant, New York

Mrs. Laura A. Abrams, Clerk
Board of Supervisors of Hamilton County
Lake Pleasant, New York 12108

Dear Clerk:

WHEREAS, the undersigned, we the majority of the members of the Board of Supervisors of Hamilton County, do hereby request you to call a Special Session pursuant to Section 152 of the County Law, to be held at the Chambers of the Board, in the Town of Lake Pleasant, in said County on Tuesday August 17, 2010 at 2:30 P.M. for the purpose of Appointing a Probation Director and for any other business that may come before said Board.

Arietta_____	ABSENT
Benson_____	Ermina M. Pincombe
Hope_____	Robert Edwards
Indian Lake_____	Barry J. Hutchins
Inlet_____	John Frey
Lake Pleasant_____	ABSENT
Long Lake_____	Clark J. Seaman
Morehouse_____	William G. Farber
Wells_____	Brian Towers

Also Present: Pete Klein

Public Comment: No one present.

Reports of Standing/Special Committees:

Barry: They have successfully gone through two Moose River Plains Public Comment Hearings and they had some good comments.

John: Also wanted to say that the Moose River Plains Public Comment Hearings have gone very well. Most that have spoken out have spoken in a way that could bring positive changes to this UMP. He is looking forward to the Albany Public Comment Hearing tomorrow.

The Chairman stated the purpose of this Special Meeting was the appointment of a Probation Director. Today is John Adams last day working for Hamilton County as Probation Director.

The Chairman reported that they have added two other items to the agenda that have come up. One is because the State Contract period and the information for the funding are all in a line so that we have the opportunity to purchase the Sheriff's vehicle. The other is Public Health Nursing has encountered an issue in respect to a conference that Tracey Hunt wants to attend where they will only accept a check in advance for this conference.

RESOLUTIONS:

After the following resolution was placed on the floor; Mr. Frey stated that he feels Amy is ready to step into this position and he wished her well with preparing for the up coming test.

The Chairman agreed; she has come a long way. Having John Adams in the position has benefited Hamilton County. He has been amazed at how much work he did in such a short time.

Mr. Towers stated that going forward Amy is going to need the support of this Board.

The Chairman agreed; they are going to be short staffed. There will be times when there isn't someone there answering the phone, being a one person staff.

RESOLUTION NO. 209-10

**AUTHORIZING THE PROVISIONAL APPOINTMENT OF A PROBATION
DIRECTOR I**

DATED: AUGUST 17, 2010

BY MR. HUTCHINS:

WHEREAS, Hamilton County has hired from outside the Probation Department several times in an effort to fill the Probation Director Position, and

WHEREAS, these efforts have caused some challenges with respect to the stability of the office, and

WHEREAS, it is widely agreed that Hamilton County Probation Services are of excellent quality, and

WHEREAS, the Board feels that this point is extremely important, and

WHEREAS, the Central Government Committee has done interviews and recommends Amy Kristiansen from Wells, NY who is eligible for a provisional appointment, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Amy Kristiansen is hereby appointed as Provisional Hamilton County Probation Director I effective August 18, 2010 at a starting salary of \$48,000.00 per year and the Probation Department, County Treasurer and the Personnel Officer be so notified.

Seconded by Mr. Edwards and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: PINCOMBE, EDWARDS, HUTCHINS, FREY, SEAMAN, FARBER, AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: WILT AND MCGOVERN

After the following resolution was placed on the floor; Mr. Towers asked if this is a van or a car with more radios. The Chairman replied it will be a Tahoe or something very similar, we are

following the language of the grant. It will be setup with more of an array of equipment so that it can be used as a command center on-site.

RESOLUTION NO. 210-10

AUTHORIZING SHERIFF TO PURCHASE AUTOMOBILE - OHS GRANT

DATED: AUGUST 17, 2010

BY MR. EDWARDS:

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 98-10 funded Account No. A3110.205 Mobile Command Vehicle in the amount of \$39,166.00 for OHS Grant Contract No. T839792 and Contract No. T839790 CFDA #97.067, and

WHEREAS, this money was approved in the grant budgets to purchase a mobile command vehicle, be it

RESOLVED, that the Hamilton County Sheriff be hereby authorized to purchase said vehicle under New York State Contract and that the funds be taken out of Account No. A3110.205 Mobile Command Vehicle.

Seconded by Mr. Hutchins and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: PINCOMBE, EDWARDS, HUTCHINS, FREY, SEAMAN, FARBER, AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: WILT AND MCGOVERN

RESOLUTION NO. 211-10

AUTHORIZING CONFERENCE PAYMENT- PUBLIC HEALTH

DATED: AUGUST 17, 2010

BY MR. SEAMAN:

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Public Health Nursing Service Director has authorized Tracey Hunt, RN to attend the Ninth Annual Conference on Challenges in Ostomies, Skin and Wound Care in Latham, NY on September 23, 2010, and

WHEREAS, registration cannot be completed without prior payment, be it

RESOLVED, that the Treasurer is hereby authorized to pay the \$65.00 registration fee to Capital District WOCN, 31 Galileo Way, Latham, NY 12110, attn: Diane Darehe from Account No. A4010.413 Continuing Education.

Seconded by Mr. Hutchins and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: PINCOMBE, EDWARDS, HUTCHINS, FREY, SEAMAN, FARBER, AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: WILT AND MCGOVERN

The Chairman stated that in the past, the Board has discussed the idea of a credit card for the County. Many municipalities and the State have them. This credit card could be kept at the Treasurer's Office or the Clerk of the Board's Office for when emergency situations arise. We have a couple of issues coming up with some serious crimes that were committed in Hamilton County and the D.A. will be requiring some witnesses that will incur some costs for transportation that won't take a voucher and wait for payment.

Other Reports:

Brian: On the Committee Day Agenda, we will be discussing Health Insurance in the morning so the documents on the desks today refer to that, the Chairman stated yes.

John: The Committee Day morning session seems tight. The Chairman agreed and stated that they would move Kim to the morning before Burnham.

The Chairman wanted to state his feelings on the Public Comment Hearings on Moose River Plains. He likes where they are in terms of the progress they have made since 2006. When you listen to the comments they weren't really the kinds of conflicting comments that you historically hear at these type of hearings. He feels there are some opportunities and we need to put some focus on what we want. What do we want to get out of this? If it was ours to amend what changes would we want to make. The Chairman stated the most compelling comments yesterday were a conversation about the way the Moose River Plains was kept up 30 years ago verses how it's been let go.

John: Stated that Gary Lee spoke last night, he was a Ranger that has been in there and John feels they need to make him part of their process.

As there was no further business, motion to adjourn by Mr. Hutchins, seconded by Ms. Pincombe. Carried.