

THIRD SPECIAL SESSION
June 25, 2012
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 Monday June 25, 2012 at 10:30 A.M. for the purpose of correcting a job title error in Resolution No. 190-12 Appointment of Commissioner of Social Services and for any other business that may come before said Board.

Arietta_____	Richard A. Wilt
Benson_____	Ermina M. Pincombe
Hope_____	Robert Edwards
Indian Lake_____	Brian Wells
Inlet_____	John Frey
Lake Pleasant_____	Neil P. McGovern
Long Lake_____	Clark J. Seaman
Morehouse_____	William G. Farber
Wells_____	Brian Towers

Also present: Tracy Eldridge and Pete Klein, Press

Public Comment: No one present.

Report of Standings/Special Committees:

Mr. Towers: InterCounty met in Lake Pleasant at Hamilton Lake Lodge. Both resolutions from Hamilton County were passed; Township 40 and NYCO. They had a presentation from International Paper.

The Chairman reported Steve Acquario was there from NYSAC. Mr. Acquario's observation on behalf of NYSAC was that there really wasn't a lot of legislation passed after April 1st; but there was an on-time budget. If any of the counties were waiting for Mandate Relief the bad news was you were waiting to no avail; very little got done of any substance if you were a county after the budget got adopted. The Governor had some proposals in his budget that would have provided counties some relief. The Legislators had no problem rejecting those items. When this happens the counties feel they need to step up and present their own plan on how to provide equal relief and if they really want us to live within the two percent tax cap they would have gone further than what the Governor did. Mr. Acquario didn't say he was disappointed, but if you represent counties it's hard to watch and not be disappointed. Mr. Acquario made it pretty clear that NYSAC's approach going forward is that if we want change we need to get it in the Governor's Executive Budget and get him to be the advocate for it.

Mr. Edwards: There will be an Internal Management Committee meeting this afternoon.

Mr. McGovern: Commented on what the Chairman reported. He feels that if we are going to receive any relief it will have to come from the Governor.

The Chairman continued the discussion.

RESOLUTIONS:

The Chairman reported that their intent with Resolution No. 190-12 was to provide overlap; we used the Deputy Commissioner position to do that. Then it was noted that we do not have a Deputy Commissioner position, it is an Administrative Assistance position.

RESOLUTION NO. 197-12

RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 190-12 – APPOINTMENT OF COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL SERVICES

DATED: JUNE 25, 2012

BY MR. MCGOVERN:

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 190-12 of June 7, 2012 – Appointment of Commissioner of Social Services, also included authorization for an interim period as Deputy Commissioner of Social Services, and

WHEREAS, Hamilton County does not have, within the County Civil Service rules, the title of Deputy Commissioner, and

WHEREAS, the job title Administrative Assistant to the Commissioner of Social Services does exist, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Resolution No. 190-12 of June 7, 2012 – Appointment of Commissioner of Social Services, is hereby amended to delete the job title/budget line title “Deputy Commissioner of DSS” from the fourth and fifth Resolves and substitute “Administrative Assistant to the Commissioner of Social Services” and the Personnel Officer, the County Treasurer, and the NYS Office of Temporary and disability Assistance be so notified.

Seconded by Ms. Pincombe and adopted by the following vote:

**AYES: WILT, PINCOMBE, EDWARDS, WELLS, FREY, MCGOVERN, SEAMAN,
FARBER, AND TOWERS**

NAYS: NONE

Ms. Pincombe asked Mr. Towers what is a timber basket that he referred to in his report on the Intercounty meeting. Mr. Towers stated their overall pot of resources. Mr. McGovern stated that they look at their lands as possibilities for other revenue sources.

The Chairman stated it took some people by surprise and gave some hope when IP reported at the Intercounty meeting about the quality of the timber within the Adirondack region and the quality of paper that is unmatched that they are able to make from that quality timber.

Mr. McGovern asked if they spoke of anything other than paper, the remaining timber, the possibility of other things. The Chairman stated not really and proceeded to tell them what they did their presentation on.

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