

2012

SIXTH SESSION

JUNE 7, 2012

The Board convened at 10:30 A.M. in the Supervisors' Chambers at the Court House, Lake Pleasant, New York, with the Chairman, William G. Farber presiding. Mr. Farber led the members of the Board of Supervisors in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, and an opening prayer.

The Clerk, Mrs. Laura A. Abrams, called the roll with the following Supervisors answering:

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: County Attorney, Paul Grasso, Erin Barton and Jamie Strader from Adirondack Lake Center for the Arts and Pete Klein-Press

A motion was made to accept the minutes of March 26, 2012, April 5, 2012, May 3, 2012, and May 24, 2012 by Ms. Pincombe, seconded by Mr. McGovern. Carried.

Public Comment: No one present.

The Adirondack Lake Center for the Arts took the floor to announce the Decentralization Grant Awardees. Erin Barton introduced herself as Managing Director at the Art Center and the Decentralization Coordinator for Hamilton County. Erin thanked the Board of Supervisors for supporting the Adirondack Lake Center for the Arts. Erin explained the grant process.

Erin announced the winners as follows:

Town of Arietta – Piseco Library - \$1,144 for the “Coffee House Concert Series”

Town of Indian Lake – Parker Benton Post 1392 - \$900 for the “US Air Force Band of Liberty”

Town of Indian Lake - \$300 for “Music in Byron Park”

Indian Lake Theater - \$1,980 for “Hamilton County Reads”

Indian Lake Theater - \$2,956 for “Arts and Culture Thursday”

Indian Lake Chamber of Commerce - \$1,500 – returned funds, unable to complete the project that they applied for.

Town of Inlet – Fulton Chain of Lakes Performing Arts Council - \$4,500 for “An Evening with the Symphony”

Town of Lake Pleasant – Pretty Good Band - \$463.75 – “Parade & Concert Series”

Town of Long Lake – St. Williams on Long Point - \$1,991.90 for “Tuesday Evenings on the Lake”
Long Lake Friends of Music - \$1,440 for “LL Friends of Music Concert Series”
Town of Long Lake - \$2,000 for “Shonen Knife”
Friends of the Long Lake Library and Long Lake PTSO - \$1,425 for “Drumming to the Beat of Community – An African Experience”
Town of Wells – The Wells Improvement Group - \$489.35 for “Happenings on the Green”
Friends of the Wells Library - \$630 for “Weathering in Winter Woes”

The Adirondack Lake Center for the Arts and awardees left at this time.

The Chairman then introduced Mr. Paul Grasso.

Mr. Grasso wanted to discuss the Workforce Investment Board Budget. They have had some challenges getting their budget together and this is the first year for it to be voted on. They should have been doing this since the year 2000 according to their recent review.

Mr. Grasso stated there is an agreement between four Counties; Clinton, Essex, Franklin and Hamilton. The Workforce Investment Act requires a Chief Local Elected Official agreement on how the funds will be allocated and the services that will be provided. They recently revised that agreement. What Mr. Grasso is asking for today is approval of the Workforce Investment Board Budget which consists of the administration budget to operate the Workforce Investment Board, not the training money that comes to the four Counties. They took an 8.6% reduction in funding this year. Overall the reduction has been 29% for them. Mr. Grasso then reviewed the budget.

Mr. Grasso is asking the Board for approval of the budget. The other is, they will be asking all four Counties to appoint one or two people to a Committee to look at how to sustain the Workforce Investment Board.

The Chairman asked for a motion to approve the budget for the Workforce Investment Board, moved by Mr. McGovern, seconded by Mr. Frey. The Chairman stated that Mr. Grasso will be leaving and he was not sure everyone knew that. Mr. Grasso stated that he will be retiring at the end of this year. Motion carries.

The Chairman asked Mr. Grasso to discuss the Teleworks Grant.

Mr. Grasso stated they have been working on a grant with Northern Border Commission to fund the Adirondack Teleworks which is a website for the purpose of finding employment for people who can work from home. We submitted a grant to the Northern Border Commission for approximately \$150,000.00 to fund staff and resources, to recruit companies to post their jobs on the website and to find a way to reach out to people who may have the skills to perform those jobs. Hamilton County will be receiving \$25,000 to \$30,000 this year for job training which could be used for this, if the people need the training to perform these jobs. He feels this is the future; we need to be thinking about those types of activities.

The Chairman requested a completed grant application from Mr. Grasso and discussed training through collaboration.

Mr. Grasso left at this time.

Report of Standings/Special Committees:

Ermina: Attended the meeting of the Review Board and two resolutions were passed. One was Concerning the 8,000 acres Finch & Follensby Ponds lands and the other was Re-Organization Clifton/Fine Hospital to a Non-Profit.

The Chairman explained that the issue with the hospital is held up in the State Legislature. It is one of roughly five hospitals in New York State that is a Public Authority. Their disadvantage is that they are a small critical care facility trying to operate out of the Clifton/Fine area. The increase in State Retirement has been anticipated to be 10% of their entire budget in the year 2014. The Comptroller verified the documents and concurred that it will probably in all likelihood not be possible for them to sustain the hospital under the current structure. There is opposition from CSEA to the Legislation. The Chairman continued to explain how people could lose their jobs.

Bob: There is a resolution in for hiring a new Department of Social Services Commissioner and also a merit resolution; he is urging support for the two.

He attended the Inter-County which was held in Fulton County at the Sport Island Pub.

The Chairman reported that NYSAC gave a presentation. There was also a presentation on the Tryon Re-Development. The presentation was mostly on them working through the CFA grant application but also the details of the contracts.

Brian asked if there was any discussion at Inter-County with regards to Sales Tax. The Chairman stated there are two levels of bills with respect to Sales Tax that have implications for Hamilton County. There are bills that Senator Little mentioned the other night at AATV. Those are the County specific bills for Essex and Hamilton Counties.

Clark: Asked for support for Health & Human Services resolutions and support for Township 40 resolution.

Brian W: Thanked everyone for attending the Memorial Day Parade. He also thanked Brian T. for the AATV; he got a lot out of it and took it back to the Town.

Neil: There are a couple of important resolutions in everyone's packets, Teleworks and Broadband. These are great moves in the right direction.

RESOLUTIONS:

After the following resolution was placed on the floor; Mr. Towers stated this is going to take some effort on all of our parts to make this happen.

The Chairman feels a lot of us, specifically AATV have been advocating for an idea of a land bank to deal with pin points. The Chairman discussed further.

RESOLUTION NO. 172-12

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

DATED: JUNE 7, 2012

BY MR. TOWERS:

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 Mr. Edwards and adopted by the following vote:

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

NAYS: NONE

After the following resolution was placed on the floor; Mr. Wells stated that he will recuse himself; Mr. Farrell is his wife’s uncle.

RESOLUTION NO. 173-12

AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF BACK TAXES

DATED: JUNE 7, 2012

BY MR. WILT:

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 Mr. Towers and adopted by the following vote:

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSTAIN: WELLS

RESOLUTION NO. 174-12

AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF BACK TAXES

DATED: JUNE 7, 2012

BY MR. EDWARDS:

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 Mr. McGovern and adopted by the following vote:

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

NAYS: NONE

After the following resolution was placed on the floor; Mr. McGovern asked if this seems alarming this early in the year.

The Chairman stated not alarming, we have our ups and downs in terms of how utilized unemployment can be. The Chairman continued to explain.

RESOLUTION NO. 175-12

TRANSFER OF FUNDS-UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

DATED: JUNE 7, 2012

BY MR. FREY:

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 Ms. Pincombe and adopted by the following vote:

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

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 176-12

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

DATED: JUNE 7, 2012

BY MR. SEAMAN:

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 Mr. McGovern and adopted by the following vote:

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

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 177-12

TRANSFER OF FUNDS – TEMPORARY POSITION IN TOURISM DEPARTMENT

DATED: JUNE 7, 2012

BY MR. MCGOVERN:

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 Ms. Pincombe and adopted by the following vote:

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

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 178-12

TRANSFER OF FUNDS – COMMUNITY SERVICES

DATED: JUNE 7, 2012

BY MR. SEAMAN:

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 Ms. Pincombe and adopted by the following vote:

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

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 179-12

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

DATED: JUNE 7, 2012

BY MR. SEAMAN:

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 Mr. Wilt and adopted by the following vote:

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

NAYS: NONE

After the following resolution was placed on the floor; the Chairman stated he hopes this resolution brings clarity to the steps that have already been done.

RESOLUTION NO. 180-12

AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT FULL APPLICATION FOR RECYCLING GRANT

DATED: JUNE 7, 2012

BY MR. TOWERS:

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 Mr. Frey and adopted by the following vote:

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

NAYS: NONE

After the following resolution was placed on the floor; Mr. Towers explained that it was decided to have the bridge painted as well and that would complete this bridge for the next 35 to 40 years.

RESOLUTION NO. 181-12

APPROVAL OF BUDGET INCREASE FOR CREEK ROAD BRIDGE REPAIRS

DATED: JUNE 7, 2012

BY MR. EDWARDS:

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 Mr. Towers and adopted by the following vote:

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

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 182-12

AUTHORIZING DISPOSITION OF EXCESS VEHICLE

DATED: JUNE 7, 2012

BY MR. MCGOVERN:

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 Mr. Wells and adopted by the following vote:

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

NAYS: NONE

After the following resolution was placed on the floor; Mr. McGovern asked how long has this taken. Mr. McGovern stated that it seems like it's been on the radar for 20 years.

The Chairman stated it has been 20+ years. He feels Senator Little and Assemblywomen Sayward should receive high marks for the amount of time they have contributed to this. He feels very few people would have taken the time as Little and Sayward did to explain this. The Chairman continued to discuss.

RESOLUTION NO. 183-12

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE
NYS DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION'S PLAN TO RESOLVE
THE TOWNSHIP 40 CONTESTED PROPERTIES DISPUTE**

DATED: JUNE 7, 2012

BY MR. SEAMAN:

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors has been notified that a draft proposal requiring a New York State constitutional amendment has been prepared that will resolve the longstanding dispute over contested properties in Township 40 within the Town of Long Lake, and

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors has received a copy of the Town of Long Lake Resolution in support of said proposal, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Long Lake as part of said proposal has been asked to be an active participant in this process by collecting fees from the affected property owners which shall be deposited in an escrow account, and

WHEREAS, said fees will be held by the Town of Long Lake until such time as to purchase a yet to be determined parcel of property to be gifted to the State of New York, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Long Lake will not be liable for any funds for the purchase of said property, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Long Lake has approved the structure which is herein set for, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Long Lake also urges the support of Hamilton County, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors supports the Department of Environmental Conservation's plan to resolve the Township 40 contested properties dispute, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors urges the State of New York and the People of the State of New York to finally resolve this critical issue.

Seconded by All and adopted by the following vote:

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

NAYS: NONE

After the following resolution was placed on the floor; Mr. Frey stated hopefully this clears up some issues.

Mr. McGovern thanked Jane Zarecki and Barry Baker and was glad to see the County react so quickly.

The Chairman hopes the solution is not that we abandon this idea. He feels it was well founded; it had the incentive for everyone to make sure it was done right the first time and he continues to feel it's the right thing to do. The Chairman's explanation continued.

RESOLUTION NO. 184-12

A RESOLUTION TO RESCIND PRIOR RESOLUTION NO. 139-12 ADOPTED BY THE HAMILTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS APRIL 5, 2012 - RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF MODIFICATIONS TO THE RECORDING AND FILING OF CERTAIN INSTRUMENTS WITH THE COUNTY CLERK

DATED: JUNE 7, 2012

BY MR. FREY:

WHEREAS, in an effort to provide the highest level of customer quality and satisfaction, the Hamilton County Clerk and Hamilton County Real Property Tax Services recognize that certain limitations and obstacles to the successful integration and deployment of the pre-filing review protocol have emerged, and

WHEREAS, it is the collective opinion of the Hamilton County Clerk and Real Property Tax Service that additional modifications to the process and method of exchange of documents will be required. Further, more vigorous input and engagement from the professional community of service customers is required, and additional and sufficient notice of process inception is warranted to facilitate a seamless transition and implementation, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors hereby supports the mutual request of the Hamilton County Clerk and Real Property Tax Services to rescind the previous resolution, Resolution No. 139-12, until such time that the modifications to the protocol and the enhancements to the mechanics can be completed for implementation of the procedural change, and be it further

RESOLVED, the Hamilton County Clerk and the Real Property Tax Services Agency will continue to work ardently toward mutually acceptable and viable solutions for the implementation of this process and will seek additional supporting resolutions from the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors at a subsequent session in the near future.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

After the following resolution was placed on the floor; Mr. McGovern stated this is a smart initiative, getting ahead of the curve.

RESOLUTION NO. 185-12

AUTHORIZING SUPPORT OF THE CREATION OF ADIRONDACK TELEWORKS

DATED: JUNE 7, 2012

BY MR. MCGOVERN

WHEREAS, work on broadband expansion into Hamilton County begins this year, and

WHEREAS, workers throughout the County as well as Franklin, Essex and Clinton Counties, which comprise the North Country Regional Workforce Investment Board's (NCRWIB) region, are dispersed across a huge expanse of isolated geography, and

WHEREAS, Kentucky has created a successful program to recruit work-at-home positions and teleworkers and to provide special training when needed, resulting in 400 new jobs for Kentucky residents in 18 months, and

WHEREAS, Hamilton County has a special interest in promoting wider use of broadband internet services as well as providing employment opportunities and is home to the website www.AdirondackTeleworks.com, created by William Murphy of Indian Lake, and

WHEREAS, Hamilton County has been instrumental in moving regional support for the project, which will require the hiring of a director and creation of an organizational structure, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Hamilton County supports the creation of Adirondack Teleworks, through all reasonable means, including support of the NCRWIB's application for Northern Border Commission grant funding.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 186-12

**AUTHORIZATION TO SUPPORT HAMILTON COUNTY PARTICIPATION IN THE
NORTH COUNTRY CLEANER GREENER COMMUNITIES SUSTAINABILITY PLAN**

DATED: JUNE 7, 2012

BY MR. MCGOVERN:

WHEREAS, the Cleaner Greener Communities Program (CGC) announced by Governor Andrew M. Cuomo in 2011 will provide data collection and funding to create more sustainable communities in the North Country Economic Development Region, of which Hamilton County is a member, and

WHEREAS, Essex County was awarded a CGC grant on behalf of the North Country, and will be working with the Adirondack North Country Association (ANCA) and partnering with public and private experts across a wide range of fields, along with community residents, to lead the development of a regional sustainability plan and implementation strategy, and

WHEREAS, completion of a regional sustainability plan and implementation strategy is required before the region becomes eligible for Phase II, a competitive round of funding for specific projects that might benefit the economy of the county, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors be authorized to sign a letter of support for the project on behalf of the Board of Supervisors and that the Department of Planning, Tourism and Community Development be authorized to provide whatever other support is required, consistent with other counties in the region.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

After the following resolution was placed on the floor; Mr. Frey asked if there was a roll out map of how this was going to be.

The Chairman asked which phase. We have information, a detailed write up on exactly what steps take place and how it will take place. That information is available in Ann Melious' office.

RESOLUTION NO. 187-12

AUTHORIZATION AND SUPPORT FOR APPLICATION FOR NYS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUNDING FOR PHASE II OF THE HAMILTON COUNTY BROADBAND PROJECT

DATED: JUNE 7, 2012

BY MR. EDWARDS:

WHEREAS, Hamilton County worked with Frontier Communications in 2011 to successfully apply for grant funding in the amount of \$472,000 for Phase I work to bring broadband internet service to hamlets in the county through the North Country Regional Economic Development Council and the Consolidated Funding Application (CFA) process, and

WHEREAS, Phase II work, including hanging fiber-optic cable, is necessary to complete the project in a county that heretofore has had no broadband service, and

WHEREAS, Phase II will cost more than \$2 million, and

WHEREAS, Consolidated Funding Applications for 2012 are due July 16th, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Director of Planning, Tourism and Community Development be authorized to apply for Empire State Development funding for Phase II of the Broadband Project

in partnership with Frontier Communications and that this Board of Supervisors supports the application to the fullest extent possible.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

After the following resolution was placed on the floor; the Chairman reported that one of the executive staff is going to be out with an injury for an extended amount of time. This will put additional responsibilities on the Director of Public Health.

RESOLUTION NO. 188-12

**REDUCTION OF COMPENSATORY TIME – DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC
HEALTH/PATIENT SERVICES**

DATED: JUNE 7, 2012

BY MR. SEAMAN:

WHEREAS, the Director of Public Health/Patient Services has an excess of compensatory time and the Board is desirous to see it reduced, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer is hereby authorized to make the following transfer:

From: A1990.401 Contingent	\$2,571.42
To: A4050.101 Director PH/PS	\$2,571.42

and be it further

RESOLVED, Beth Ryan shall be paid the lump sum of \$2,571.42 for 60 hours of compensatory time.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 189-12

TRANSFER FUNDS- CERTIFIED HOME HEALTH AGENCY

DATED: JUNE 7, 2012

BY MR. SEAMAN:

WHEREAS, the Public Health Nursing Service has a contract with BlackTree Healthcare Consulting, and

WHEREAS, the additional expense was not in the 2012 budget, be it

RESOLVED, that the following transfer of funds takes place to cover the 2012 expenses incurred by the Nursing Service:

From: A4010.117 CHHA Secretary	\$21,500.00
To: A4010.404 CHHA Contracts	\$21,500.00

and the County Treasurer be so authorized.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

After the following resolution was placed on the floor; the Chairman explained that this would allow her to start before Clara leaves.

Mr. McGovern stated the process went well and we had some good candidates. Mr. Seaman agreed.

RESOLUTION NO. 190-12

APPOINTMENT OF COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL SERVICES

DATED: JUNE 7, 2012

BY MR. EDWARDS:

WHEREAS, Clara Quintal, Commissioner of Social Services will retire effective June 30, 2012, and

WHEREAS, the position of Commissioner of Hamilton County Department of Social Services was duly advertised and several applicants were interviewed, and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that a period of training will be needed, be it

RESOLVED, that Roberta A. Bly be appointed Commissioner of the Hamilton County Department of Social Services for a term of five (5) years, commencing July 1, 2012, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the annual salary of Commissioner of the Hamilton County Department of Social Services is hereby set at Seventy-two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$72,500) which shall be prorated for the balance of 2012 and will remain the same for 2013, and subsequently the annual salary will be set by Local Law at budget time each year, payable in equal bi-weekly installments, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the New York State Department of Social Services be so notified, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer is hereby authorized to create Account No. A6010.102 Deputy Commissioner of DSS and fund it by transferring \$2,000.00 from Account No. A1990.401 Contingent to Account No. A6010.102 Deputy Commissioner of DSS, and be it further

RESOLVED, that Roberta A. Bly be appointed as Deputy Commissioner of DSS for the period of June 21, 2012 through June 30, 2012 and the County Treasurer and Personnel Officer be so advised.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 191-12

SOCIAL SERVICES – 2012-2013 FEDERAL FAMILY VIOLENCE PREVENTION AND SERVICES ACT (FFVPSA)

DATED: JUNE 7, 2012

BY MR. SEAMAN:

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Department of Social Services has applied and been approved for the Federal Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (FFVPSA) grant award in the amount of Thirty-five Thousand Three Hundred Nineteen Dollars (\$35,319.00) for the purpose of supporting operational expenses not otherwise covered by government funding and to support health and safety improvements for residential programs serving victims of domestic violence, and

WHEREAS, the grant year begins March 31, 2012 until March 30, 2013, and is 100% federally funded, be it

RESOLVED, that Appropriation Account No. A6010.122, TANF/Domestic Violence Grant, be increased in the amount of Twenty-One Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty-Six Dollars (\$21,856.00) and Appropriation Account No. A6010.407, All Other Direct Domestic Violence, be increased in the amount of Two Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety-Six (\$2,896.00) and Appropriation Account No. A6010.408, Supplies Domestic Violence be increase in the amount of

One Thousand Four Hundred Fifty-Seven (\$1,457.00) for the year 2012 to be totally offset by increasing Revenue Account No. A4610 Social Services Administration, in the amount of Twenty-Six Thousand Two Hundred Nine Dollars (\$26,209.00), and be it further

RESOLVED, that the remaining Nine Thousand One Hundred Ten Dollars (\$9,110.00) is to be allocated in the 2013 County Budget and the County Treasurer be so authorized.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

After the following resolution was placed on the floor; the Chairman stated this is a resolution to accommodate the Treasurer's Office.

RESOLUTION NO. 192-12

CREATING AND FUNDING ACCOUNT FOR THE CREEK ROAD BRIDGE

DATED: JUNE 7, 2012

BY MR. TOWERS:

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has authorized bridge repairs to the Creek Road Bridge with a budget of \$90,000.00 appropriated from Account No. D5112.203 Bridge Projects and those expenses were to be paid directly from this account, and

WHEREAS, the New York State Comptroller's Office has recommended that the Expenditures for Maintenance of Bridges that are not CHIPS Reimbursable, and are a County Bridge Expense, be recorded in a new Account No. D5120.2 identified as Maintenance of Bridges, and new individual project numbers under this account be created as needed, be it

RESOLVED, that Account No. D5120.2001 Creek Road Bridge be hereby created and funded by transferring \$90,000.00 from Account No. D5112.203 Bridge Projects to Account No. D5120.2001 Creek Road Bridge and the County Treasurer be so authorized.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 193-12

APPROVAL OF AND TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR 2012 MERIT PAY

DATED: JUNE 7, 2012

BY MR. EDWARDS:

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors has instituted a merit system for county employees, and

WHEREAS, the Internal Management Committee met on May 29, 2012 to review merit evaluations, be it

RESOLVED, that the Internal Management Committee recommends the following hourly merit increments:

COUMMUNITY SERVICES

Allison Braunius	June 15, 2012 to June 15, 2013	\$.77
Joseph San Antonio	June 2, 2012 to June 2, 2013	\$.77

SOCIAL SERVICES

Gail Carmichael	June 22, 2012 to June 22, 2013	\$1.43
Susan Eldridge	June 1, 2012 to June 1, 2012	\$1.43

SHERIFF

Alex Stuart	June 28, 2012 to June 28, 2013	\$.22
Kevin Braunius	June 24, 2012 to June 24, 2013	\$1.54

HIGHWAY

Bonnie Barton	June 20, 2012 to June 20, 2013	\$1.32
Martin Hutchins	June 14, 2012 to June 14, 2013	\$1.10
Christopher Mitchell	June 13, 2012 to June 13, 2013	\$1.54

NURSING

Gail Ludin	June 28, 2012 to June 28, 2013	\$.55
Mabel Simons	June 6, 2012 to June 6, 2013	\$.33
Darlene St. Amour	June 21, 2012 to June 21, 2013	\$.22
Penny Warrington	June 1, 2012 to June 1, 2013	\$.66

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the following transfers be made to cover the above 2012 merit pay:

FROM:	A1990.401	Contingent	\$22,155.65
TO:	A4310.115	Substance Abuse Prev. Educator	\$1,223.53
	A4310.108	Substance Abuse Prev. Educator	\$1,406.79
	A6010.103	Caseworker A	\$2,612.61
	A6010.111	Principal Account Clerk	\$2,696.54
	A3110.109	Deputy Sheriff B	\$234.08
	A3110.102	Under-sheriff	\$3,215.52
	A1620.106	Cleaner	\$2,541.44

D5110.101	Personal Services	\$2,192.96
D5110.101	Personal Service	\$3,215.52
A4010.106	Registered Professional Nurse #3	\$709.17
A4050.125	Account Clerk/Typist	\$689.15
A4050.111	Family Health Services Coordinator	\$212.52
A4050.127	Registered Professional Nurse	\$1,205.82

and the County Treasurer be so authorized and Personnel Officer be notified.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 194-12

APPROVAL OF AUDITS IN COUNTY HIGHWAY FUNDS

DATED: JUNE 7, 2012

BY MR. TOWERS:

RESOLVED, that the bills in the Machinery Fund amounting to \$38,720.38 and bills in the County Road Fund amounting to \$116,218.38 presented by the County Superintendent of Highways and audited this day by the County Public Works Committee, be, and the same hereby are approved and audited.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 195-12

APPROVAL OF AUDITS IN THE COUNTY GENERAL FUND

DATED: JUNE 3, 2012

BY MR. FREY:

RESOLVED, that the bills audited this day in the County General Fund in the amount of \$193,421.97 by the following committees:

Building Committee	\$30,798.31
Solid Waste Committee	15,809.17
Finance Committee	26,349.80

Health & Human Services Committee.....	52,453.52
Central Government Committee	51,198.43
Publicity, Tourism, Economic Development & Planning Committee.....	15,489.74
Internal Management Committee	1,323.00

are hereby approved.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

The Chairman reported that he has one more resolution that isn't written up. We have been trying to get the contract for the waterfront revitalization funding. He did receive it via email and he would propose a very simple resolve that does two things. It resolves that the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors authorizes the transfer of responsibility for administration and coordination of DOS Waterfront Revitalization and the DEC Smart Growth Grant from Melissa McManus to the Adirondack Community Housing Trust. The Chairman would be authorized to enter into a contract with the Adirondack Community Housing Trust for that.

RESOLUTION NO. 196-12

**DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WATERFRONT REVITALIZATION GRANT AND DEC
SMART GROWTH GRANT**

DATED: JUNE 7, 2012

BY MR. MCGOVERN:

RESOLVED, that the agreement with Melissa McManus, LLC is hereby ended and replaced by an agreement with the Adirondack Community Housing Trust for grant administration and coordination, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized to execute all of the necessary contracts with the Adirondack Community Housing Trust, the Department of State, and the Department of Environmental Conservation, subject to the approval of the County Attorney.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

Mr. Sean Maguire entered at this time.

The Chairman introduced Mr. Maguire from Department of State to speak about an upcoming funding opportunity.

Mr. Maguire discussed a new component to the Local Government Efficiency program. We do have the one project with the Town and County for the fuel depot. This piece they are working with now is the Performance and Proficiency program. It is meant to be a best practices program for local governments employing ways to be more efficient.

For example Essex County has had this in place now for about a year and a half. They rethought their non-mandated services as it relates to community resources. They took the Office of Planning, STOP DWI, Youth Bureau and Recreation and folding them into a new office of Community Resources. Being able to provide and maintain the programming while reducing some cost by overlapping some positions. Mr. Maguire thought that was an interesting way of doing it.

With those thoughts, we are really looking to award implemented projects that were implemented after January 1, 2010. This is a competitive process and there are some incentives in the rating process. Mr. Maguire proceeded to throw out examples of other counties and just wanted everyone to be aware that this program is out there.

The Chairman and Mr. Maguire discussed at length studies and shared services.

Other reports:

Brian T.: Wanted to personally thank everyone for their cards and prayers, it was much appreciated.

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