

**2013**

**FIRST ANNUAL SESSION**

**NOVEMBER 7, 2013**

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	ABSENT
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, School Superintendents Mark Brand, Mary Jo Dickerson, Thomas Sincavage and Pete Klein

A motion was made to accept the minutes of October 5, 2013 and October 16, 2013 by Mr. McGovern, seconded by Mr. Wells. Carried.

Public Comment: No one present.

Reports of Standing/Special Committees:

Brian Towers: The Chairman and he attended Intercounty in Plattsburgh and toured the newly renovated downtown theater. With regard to Highway, the Committee met with Tracy and he is working with Fulton County on the tire issue.

John: The Finance Committee has met several times with Departments in the past month for budget reviews. He wanted to thank everyone for their budget work; especially Frank.

Bob: Internal Management Committee met this morning with Burnham Financial to discuss the 2014 health insurance. They have determined that they will be staying with MVP.

Clark: Thanked everyone that supported proposition number 4.

Neil: There is a Tourism resolution on the agenda today that he would like support for.

The Chairman welcomed the Superintendents of Wells, Indian Lake and Long Lake Schools and introduced Mark Brand to address the Board.

Mr. Brand discussed how well the Schools, Towns and County work together; it is not like this in other areas. Mr. Brand stated that he knows that the County is working on their budget now

and the schools will start theirs in January. The County's budget can have an effect on their budgets as well and would like everyone to keep that in mind. For example the Home Run Program, if there is ever a time that the County feels that they need to shift more of the costs to the schools, they need to let them know.

Mr. Brand reported that Social Services help them with the Home Run Program. The County Chairman is well aware of how successful this program has been due to attending the meetings. Community Services also works with the schools through the CCSI Program and counseling services, as well as the Probation Department. The District Attorney has also come in and participated in a round table discussion. Tracy at the Highway Department does a great job keeping the roads safe.

Ms. Dickerson from the Long Lake School stated that Tracy was very instrumental in the grant that they applied for; a shared garage in Long Lake.

Mr. Brand reported that the Health Department has changed in the past few years. They used to come in and do immunizations for the children etc. As things move forward he is not sure how it will affect us being a remote County.

The Sheriff's Department has stepped up in the last year to help them with their safety and drills. The State Police has also helped.

They have just started working on a First Responders Training. They offer a distance learning lab in their building and were asked if they could open up the school for such things. Mr. Brand stated absolutely, if there is anything we can do for the northern end of the County we are happy to help.

Mr. Brand thanked the Board for showing support for them last year when there was discussion about their aid being cut and with that support they helped restore it.

Brian Towers thanked them for opening up their schools for different functions such as training; being able to travel only five miles verses fifty miles is huge.

Mr. Brand discussed school budget issues.

The Chairman thanked the Superintendents for their presentation. The School Superintendents left at this time.

The Chairman then introduced Judge Feldstein.

Judge Feldstein stated that he is grateful for the relationship between the Board of Supervisors and the Schools.

The Judge stated that he appreciates the opportunity to address the Board about the District Attorney's position becoming full-time. He has always felt that the position should be full-time primarily because he thinks there is a real problem when you have a part-time District Attorney who is divided, who has a private practice as well as having responsibilities to the County. Professional responsibilities to their clients are serious and taken seriously and from time to time those duties will inevitably conflict. At times they will have emergencies or trials that will require their full attention as District Attorney.

District Attorney Marsha K. Purdue entered at this time.

The Judge stated that he feels that there are conflicts that are very difficult to resolve such as loyalties, ethical responsibilities, and conflicts of interest. The Judge feels that accounts for the fact that the current District Attorney and her predecessor both gave up their private practices. They both recognized the difficulty of juggling those two positions.

With all of this said the Judge stated that he is very concerned about the timing. He believes it should be decided well ahead and for which people ought to run for the office as it is announced.

The most recent county that he is aware of that made a change was Fulton County in 1980. They announced more than a year in advance that following the next election that the position would be full-time. People ran for that office knowing it was full-time that wouldn't have necessarily run otherwise. He feels the perception that decisions be made openly, fairly and above board will be to the benefit of all.

Judge Feldstein stated why he feels so strongly about this is because he feels directly affected by it, by the perception. He is proud to be part of Hamilton County because we do it right.

The Chairman stated that he always appreciates his prospective and in many instances they share a prospective on many issues and he wanted to publicly thank him for his efforts with CCSI and other programs. Nowhere else in the State would a Judge participate and help in the constructive ways that you do.

The Judge left after his presentation.

District Attorney Marsha K. Purdue also left.

The Chairman introduced Adirondack Lake Center for the Arts for their presentation.

Bill Osborne, Christy Wilt, Dean Nervik, Jim McKenna and Carol Joannette from ROOST (Regional Office of Sustainable Tourism) entered at this time.

Alex the managing Director of the Adirondack Lake Center for the Arts introduced Jamie Strader and herself. The Board and staff of the Adirondack Lake Center for the Arts wanted to thank the Board of Supervisors for their support and asked if they would continue last year's funding of \$7,000 to the Arts Center for 2014.

Alex reported their accomplishments for the past year. They are in the fifth year of their five year plan to enhance the Arts Center program offering, while expanding their services to include the entire Adirondack Region and other areas of the North Country.

This year they offered over two hundred programs throughout the Adirondacks and a majority of them have been in Hamilton County.

Through the Decentralization Grant Program they re-granted over \$26,000 to 12 non-profits in Hamilton County for cultural programing. They increased their grant for 2013 and have maintained that level for the upcoming 2014 year. Through the advocacies of the Art Center we have added the administration of the Arts Education Grant and this directly supports the French Canadian Arts Education Celebration that took place at the Long Lake Central School.

Alex did a short explanation on their funding streams.

The Chairman thanked them for what they do for our County and they left at this time.

The Chairman reported that the next item on the agenda is Bill Osborne, his staff and representatives from ROOST, Jim McKenna and Carol Joannette.

Bill Osborne handed out information on a budget breakdown and reported this is a rough draft of an economic development effort, to support a tourism effort directed by ROOST. With no increase in the 2013 to the 2014 budget it also shows a \$24,680 savings.

Bill Osborne recommends that the \$24,680 savings be earmarked in the budget for events, should something come up in the middle of the year such as the Adirondack Challenge.

Bill stated that he would not be recommending that we do this if he didn't feel that Hamilton County will end up with a better product as a result of it. He has known ROOST for quite some time, he knows Jim McKenna, and he has had the opportunity to work with Carol the Vice President.

The Chairman asked Bill if he would review how we spend our publicity budget, for 2013, it is roughly \$240,000 that we spend. There was some misunderstanding and if you could explain the difference that we are proposing to pay ROOST an administrative fee of \$25,000 and we are expecting them to administer basically \$215,000 in a similar way.

Bill Osborne explained that the \$240,000 expenditure is the Hamilton County Publicity budget. This covers advertising, the snowmobile campaign, printing of snowmobile maps and miscellaneous maps; to promote the Adirondacks in general. From that we receive requests for brochures etc., and we mail those requests out. The website upgrades come out of this money, as well as attending shows. There are no salaries within this \$240,000.

Bill Osborne then introduced Jim McKenna from ROOST.

Mr. McKenna explained that they are a contract agency for Essex County and he spoke with their Board of Supervisors regarding Hamilton County. Essex County and Hamilton County have always worked closely together and there are a lot of similarities. They felt this would be a great idea to move forward on. Overall the marketing message we need to get out is all the same messaging.

He further stated that ROOST will try to reach out to some of your past visitors immediately and try to understand what Hamilton County has done. According to Bill and Dean they have around 6,000 names that they may be able to interact with. Carol's department will be working on this.

Mr. McKenna stated he will be going out to the towns and meeting people. Mr. McKenna continued to explain what their approach will be.

Mr. McKenna then introduced Carol Joannette.

Ms. Joannette did a short explanation on her approach of marketing Hamilton County.

Mr. McKenna stated the opportunity to make a difference is what they are excited about; we want to be successful, if Hamilton County and tourism has grown successfully then that is how they are going to judge their success.

The Chairman stated that the two events that we did together this year says a lot about ROOST and their commitment to help and to making a difference. They helped with Adirondack Days which received a lot of complements and how involved they were in the Adirondack Challenge. Their leadership role really made it a success.

Brian asked Mr. McKenna what he sees for Hamilton County Tourism's current staff and what roles they will play.

Ms. Joannette stated they will be asking questions about what they are currently doing and find out how much day to day work that is. Then they will discuss leads coming in and phone calls and who answers what. They will have to communicate with them on a regular basis if they are going to be making content updates on the website; they are going to need to understand that. We are also going to use them as a resource, Dean will continue to take pictures and put them on the Facebook page, we might modify it some. Working with them will be vital.

The Chairman wanted to stress that they still will be working closely with the Towns, the Chambers, the Activity and Events Coordinators and setting up and marketing their events.

The Chairman thanked Mr. McKenna and Ms. Joannette for their presentation and called for a motion on the first resolution on the agenda.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 259-13**

### **RESOLUTION TO AWARD TOURISM RFP TO ROOST**

**DATED: NOVEMBER 7, 2013**

**BY MR. MCGOVERN:**

WHEREAS, Hamilton County received and opened four (4) responses to the County Tourism RFP on October 22, 2013, and

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors reviewed said proposals at the Tourism Committee meeting held on October 29, 2013, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has narrowed the field, determining that the ROOST proposal offers the greatest benefit to Hamilton County, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Tourism RFP as set forth and opened on October 22, 2013, in an amount not to exceed \$250,000.00 is hereby awarded to the Regional Office of Sustainable Tourism (ROOST), and be it further

RESOLVED, that said contract includes \$25,000.00 for the administrative costs associated with said contract, and be it also

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized to contract with ROOST for an amount not to exceed \$250,000.00 for the period of January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014, with the approval of the County Attorney.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: PINCOMBE

The Chairman called for a recess until 1:00 PM.

The meeting re-convened at 1:00 PM.

RESOLUTIONS:

### **REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**NOVEMBER 7, 2013**

Your Committee on the tentative budget of the fiscal year 2014 as filed by the Budget Officer with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, respectfully reports that in its opinion the amounts in the columns headed "Recommended Appropriations" will be necessary to meet the expenditures of the County for the ensuing year.

1. Contributions required by the law be made by tax upon this County for State Employees' Retirement Contributions and Conservation Fire Claims.
2. Salaries of Officers and Employees heretofore authorized by this Board and the amounts necessary to pay for the equipment, supplies and materials and other expenses for each department.
3. Amount necessary to carry out the contract with the State of New York for Snow Removal on State Highways.
4. County Indebtedness maturing and interest payable as shown by the Budget Officer.
5. Appropriations for Public Relief and care and administration expenses.
6. Appropriations for the County Road Fund, Snow Removal on County Road and County Machinery Fund.
7. Appropriations for the Contingent Fund.
8. Appropriations for reserve for uncollected taxes and assessments, tax refunds and tax sales.

9. Appropriations for other specific purposes as stated in the tentative budget by the Budget Officer.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE**

John Frey, Richard A. Wilt  
Brian Towers, Neil P. McGovern

**RESOLUTION NO. 260-13**

**ACCEPTING REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**DATED: NOVEMBER 7, 2013**

**BY MR. EDWARDS:**

RESOLVED, that the Report of the Finance Committee is accepted as read by the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: PINCOMBE

**RESOLUTION NO. 261-13**

**APPOINTMENT TO WARREN-HAMILTON COUNTIES COMMUNITY ACTION  
AGENCY – NEIL MCGOVERN**

**DATED: NOVEMBER 7, 2013**

**BY MR. FREY:**

BE IT RESOLVED, that Supervisor Neil McGovern is hereby appointed as the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors Representative/Liaison to the Warren-Hamilton Counties Community Action Agency.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: PINCOMBE

**RESOLUTION NO. 262-13**

**MORTGAGE TAX DISTRIBUTION**

**DATED: NOVEMBER 7, 2013**

**BY MR. EDWARDS:**

WHEREAS, it appears from the reports of the County Clerk and the County Treasurer for the period April 1, 2013 through September 30, 2013, that there remains for distribution of moneys received by taxation on Mortgages pursuant to the provision of Article Eleven, Section 261 of the Tax Law, the sum of \$93,441.06, for the distribution among the Towns and Village of the County of Hamilton, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Hamilton that the sum of \$93,441.06 be and the same hereby is apportioned as follows:

Arietta	\$6,633.00
Benson	\$2,508.50
Hope	\$4,239.00
Indian Lake	\$23,875.06
Inlet	\$13,451.50
Lake Pleasant	\$12,726.85
Long Lake	\$18,056.00
Morehouse	\$1,493.50
Wells	\$7,961.00
Village of Speculator	\$2,496.65

and further

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer be authorized to pay the respective sums so appropriated to the Supervisors of said Towns.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: PINCOMBE

**RESOLUTION NO. 263-13**

**TRANSFER OF FUNDS – CORONER**

**DATED: NOVEMBER 7, 2013**

**BY MR. FREY:**

WHEREAS, there is a shortage of funds in Coroner Account No. A1185.403 Medical Examiners & Coroners, Autopsies, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that \$3,250.00 be transferred from Account No. A1990.401 Contingent to Coroner Account No. A1185.403 Medical Examiners & Coroners, Autopsies and the County Treasurer be so authorized.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: PINCOMBE

After the following resolution was placed on the floor; the Chairman reported that there was a \$850,000 award region wide for the North Country specific to the Direct Homeownership Program that we don't have in Hamilton County. The grant recipient is St. Lawrence County to administer it on behalf of the seven county region and we need to authorize St. Lawrence to do so by resolution.

**RESOLUTION NO. 264-13**

**AUTHORIZING MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NORTH COUNTRY DIRECT HOMEOWNERSHIP PROGRAM**

**DATED: NOVEMBER 7, 2013**

**BY MR. EDWARDS:**

WHEREAS, the NCREDC received an \$850,000 Community Development Block Grant to implement the North Country Direct Homeownership Assistance Program (DHAP), and

WHEREAS, St. Lawrence County was the direct recipient of said grant, and

WHEREAS, Hamilton County now needs to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with St. Lawrence County for implementation of said DHAP Grant, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized to enter into a MOA with St. Lawrence County for the implementation of the DHAP Grant, with the approval of the County Attorney.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: PINCOMBE

**RESOLUTION NO. 265-13**

**CONTINUATION OF TOURIST PROMOTION AGENCY FOR HAMILTON COUNTY  
AND AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION TO NEW YORK STATE  
DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FOR MATCHING FUNDS FOR  
PROMOTION OF TOURISM**

**DATED: NOVEMBER 7, 2013**

**BY MR. MCGOVERN:**

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Economic Development is empowered to approve application from local governments for matching funds to be used for promoting tourism therein, and

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Interim Tourism Director has recommended that an application for such funds be submitted to the Department of Economic Development for matching funds up to the amount appropriated therefore within the New York State budget, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Hamilton County Interim Tourism Director be, and hereby is, authorized and directed to submit an application to Marisa Finn, Tourism Matching Funds Director, Empire State Development Division of Tourism, Albany, New York 12245, for matching funds in an amount up to Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$400,000.00) to be used for the promotion of tourism in Hamilton County, and be it further

RESOLVED, that said William H. Osborne, Interim Tourism Director, is hereby named Project Director in relation thereto, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors hereby certifies to the New York State Department of Economic Development that both the County of Hamilton and the Tourism Department have been in existence for more than three (3) years, and be it further

RESOLVED, that in order to comply with Commerce Law, Article 5-A (New York State Tourism Promotion Act) that the Hamilton County Department of Planning, Tourism and Economic Development be the duly designated tourist promotion agency for the County of Hamilton for the calendar years of 2013 and 2014, and the County Treasurer be so advised.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: PINCOMBE

After the following resolution was placed on the floor; Mr. McGovern asked if this would cover the overage.

The Chairman stated yes and one more day.

Mr. Wells asked if this was due to an illness and the Chairman stated he is not sure why they needed the temp help. Mr. Wells stated he thought it was a line item for temporary help.

The Chairman stated that when we did the 2013 budget you may recall that was the first year we dealt with temporary help in a different way. We separated the temporary help and created two separate temporary line items. Once they were created the discussion lead to the Board of Elections using two different line items for programming work. We reported that we wanted to see consistency of which line item the programming got taken out of so that both come out of the temporary line. The other thing that comes out of the temporary lines is when they have to bring temporary help in for coverage of one of the Commissioners. The system that the Commissioners have in a way of scheduling is that they have a shared calendar so if one is off it is on the calendar. Then if something comes up that they are both off on the same day, whoever is the second person to put their name on the calendar is the person who has to find a temporary to cover.

**RESOLUTION NO. 266-13**

**TRANSFER OF FUNDS – BOARD OF ELECTIONS**

**DATED: NOVEMBER 7, 2013**

**BY MR. FREY:**

WHEREAS, the Democratic Election Commissioner, Cathleen E. Rogers, has exhausted Account No. A1450.105 Clerk Temporary-D, and

WHEREAS, the Democratic Commissioner uses this account for the Election Programming of the Election Ballots and Democratic Temporary Help to assist in the office, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer be hereby authorized to transfer \$250.00 from Account No. A1990.401 Contingent to Account No. A1450.105 Clerk Temporary-D.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: PINCOMBE

**RESOLUTION NO. 267-13**

**TRANSFER OF FUNDS - PROBATION**

**DATED: NOVEMBER 7, 2013**

**BY MR. SEAMAN:**

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Probation Department suffered a significant computer failure, and

WHEREAS, due to this failure it was necessary to have AutoMon, LLC reinstall Caseload Explorer, and

WHEREAS, due to this unforeseen expense it has caused a shortage of funds in Probation Account No. A3140.0411 Probation Computer Equipment/Services, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer be hereby authorized to transfer \$600.00 from the Unappropriated General Fund Balance in accordance with Section 366 Subdivision 1 of the County Law to Account No. A3140.0411 Probation Computer Equipment/Services to cover said shortage.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: PINCOMBE

**RESOLUTION NO. 268-13**

**AUTHORIZING EXTENSION OF INTER-MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH ONEIDA COUNTY FOR INMATE PSYCHIATRIC TREATMENT**

**DATE: NOVEMBER 7, 2013**

**BY MR. EDWARDS:**

WHEREAS, the Central New York Psychiatric Center Forensic Unit provides services at the Central New York Psychiatric Center, located at 9005 Old River Road, Marcy, New York, County of Oneida, and

WHEREAS, said Forensic Unit has the capability of providing services for the Sheriff's Offices of surrounding counties which may have inadequate facilities for treating mentally ill inmates, and

WHEREAS, such Forensic Unit is located in Oneida County and Hamilton County has need, from time to time, to have prisoners treated at the Central New York Psychiatric Center, and

WHEREAS, the New York State Correction Law provides for the designation of substitute jails, and for the removal of prisoners from a jail to appropriate facilities for care and treatment, and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 45-11 adopted February 3, 2011 authorized an inter-municipal agreement with Oneida County for said service, and

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Sheriff wishes to extend their understanding for three years pursuant to Section 508 of the Correction Law for security at the Central New York Psychiatric Center, in Marcy, New York for Hamilton County's inmates who are in need of psychiatric care, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors Chairman and the Hamilton County Sheriff are hereby authorized to extend the existing inter-municipal agreement for a term of January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2016 on behalf of Hamilton County with the County of Oneida for the provision of psychiatric treatment for mentally ill inmates in the custody of the Hamilton County Sheriff.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: PINCOMBE

**RESOLUTION NO. 269-13**

**AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTS WITH BERKSHIRE FARMS,  
LAKE PLEASANT SCHOOL, LONG LAKE SCHOOL, INDIAN LAKE SCHOOL AND  
WELLS SCHOOL FOR THE HOME RUN PROGRAM**

**DATED: NOVEMBER 7, 2013**

**BY MR. MCGOVERN:**

WHEREAS, Hamilton County contracted with Berkshire Farm, Lake Pleasant School, Wells Central School, Long Lake School and Indian Lake School, and

WHEREAS, the Home Run Program has proved very successful and it continues to be supported financially in part by the four participating schools, and

WHEREAS, the CCSI Tier 2 Committee recommends continuation of the Home Run Program for 2014, and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Social Services has indicated that she has sufficient grant funds to cover the county share, and

WHEREAS, the 2014 contract would be for a total amount not to exceed \$153,134.00 running from January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014, and serve all four school districts in Hamilton County 24 hours a day, seven days a week with the schools continuing to provide \$21,800.00 (\$5,450.00 per school) of the funding, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized to enter into contracts with Berkshire Farms, Lake Pleasant School, Long Lake School, Indian Lake School and Wells School for provision of the Home Run Program for the period of January 1,

2014 through December 31, 2014 under the terms and conditions set forth above and with approval of the County Attorney.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: PINCOMBE

**RESOLUTION NO. 270-13**

**CONTRACT RENEWAL FOR PSYCHIATRIC SERVICES AT COMMUNITY SERVICES – EILEEN EHRENBERG, MD**

**DATED: NOVEMBER 7, 2013**

**BY MR. SEAMAN:**

WHEREAS, it has been determined that there is a need for psychiatric services, and

WHEREAS, funding for psychiatric services was requested in the 2014 Community Services budget, be it

RESOLVED, that Psychiatrist Eileen Ehrenberg, MD, of 23 Featherfoil Way Malta, NY 12020, who provides this service, be paid \$1,500.00 per day not to exceed an annual amount of \$36,000.00, and be it further

RESOLVED, that said contract would be in effect from January 1, 2014 until December 31, 2014, and be it further

RESOLVED, that upon the approval of the County Attorney, the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized to execute a contract on behalf of the Hamilton County Community Services with Dr. Eileen Ehrenberg and the County Treasurer be so advised.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: PINCOMBE

**RESOLUTION NO. 271-13**

**CONTRACT WITH DR. HOWARD AXELROD**

**DATED: NOVEMBER 7, 2013**

**BY MR. SEAMAN:**

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Community Service Board has recommended contracting with Dr. Howard Axelrod for psychological services at the Hamilton County Office Building, located at White Birch Lane, Indian Lake, New York, on a bi-weekly basis, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors does hereby authorize contracting with Dr. Howard Axelrod to perform psychological services at the County Office Building, located at White Birch Lane, Indian Lake, New York, on a bi-weekly basis, and be it further

RESOLVED, that Dr. Howard Axelrod shall be paid One Thousand One Hundred Dollars (\$1,100.00) per day for the services rendered with the total annual cost not exceeding Thirty-Six Thousand Dollars (\$36,000.00), and be it further

RESOLVED, that said contract would be in effect from January 1, 2014 until December 31, 2014, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized to sign a contract with Dr. Howard Axelrod, upon approval of the County Attorney, and the County Treasurer be so advised.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: PINCOMBE

**RESOLUTION NO. 272-13**

**CONTRACT RENEWAL FOR CLINICAL EVALUATIONS AND CLINICAL COUNSELING AT COMMUNITY SERVICES – PATRICE J. HICKS**

**DATED: NOVEMBER 7, 2013**

**BY MR. EDWARDS:**

WHEREAS, it has been determined that during the year there may be a need to expand Community Services' capacity for clinical evaluations and clinical counseling, and

WHEREAS, funding for Clinical Services was requested in the 2014 Community Services budget, be it

RESOLVED, that Patrice J. Hicks, of 93 Sisson Road, South Glens Falls, NY, 12803, a Clinical Social Worker with R Certification, who provides these services, be paid \$100.00 per

hour for clinical evaluations not to exceed an annual amount of \$2,000.00 and \$70.00 per hour for clinical counseling not to exceed an annual amount of \$11,000.00, and be it further

RESOLVED, that said contract would be in effect from January 1, 2014 until December 31, 2014, and be it further

RESOLVED, that upon approval of the County Attorney, the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized to execute a contract on behalf of the Hamilton County Community Services with Patrice J. Hicks and the County Treasurer be so advised.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: PINCOMBE

**RESOLUTION NO. 273-13**

**AUTHORIZING CONTRACT WITH MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION IN FULTON & MONTGOMERY COUNTIES – REPRESENTATIVE PAYEE SERVICES 2014**

**DATED: NOVEMBER 7, 2013**

**BY MR. SEAMAN:**

WHEREAS, the Mental Health Association in Fulton & Montgomery Counties is a not-for-profit organization that provides a service called Representative Payee Services for certain individuals requiring their services, and

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation from the Community Services Board to accept and contract for their services, and

WHEREAS, this service will be done as a monthly appointment with individuals at a cost to the County of an annual charge of Two Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy Dollars (\$2,870.00) for the first person served and an annual charge of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for each additional person, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors does hereby authorize the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors to contract on behalf of the Hamilton County Community Services, upon the approval of the County Attorney, with the Mental Health Association in Fulton Montgomery Counties for Representative Payee Services for the annual sum of Two Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy Dollars (\$2,870.00) for the first person served and One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for each additional person served payable on a monthly basis, and be it further

RESOLVED, that said contract would be in effect from January 1, 2014 until December 31, 2014, and the County Treasurer be so advised.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: PINCOMBE

**RESOLUTION NO. 274-13**

**AUTHORIZING CHAIRMAN TO SIGN CONTRACT FOR COMMUNITY SERVICES  
REGISTERED NURSE TO ASSIST PSYCHIATRIST**

**DATED: NOVEMBER 7, 2013**

**BY MR. WILT:**

WHEREAS, Hamilton County Community Services Department provides psychiatric services to the residents of the County, and

WHEREAS, the Department has identified a need to support the Department's psychiatrist with a nurse, and

WHEREAS, Cynthia Lane, of Piseco, NY, a qualified registered nurse, has agreed to provide Hamilton County Community Services with nursing support, at a rate of \$27.50 per hour, and nurse practitioner services, at a rate of \$70.00 per hour, to assist the department's psychiatrist for a total of seven hours per week, be it

RESOLVED, that the Hamilton County Chairman of the Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized to enter into contract with Ms. Lane to provide nursing services under the direction of Hamilton County Community Services, and be it further

RESOLVED, that said contract would be in effect from January 1, 2014 until December 31, 2014, and that the funding limit for this contract would be Sixteen Thousand Dollars (\$16,000.00).

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: PINCOMBE

**RESOLUTION NO. 275-13**

**CONTRACT WITH CITIZEN ADVOCATES, INC. OF FRANKLIN COUNTY FOR  
CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY CLINIC IN SPECULATOR, NY AND MICA PROGRAM  
FOR HAMILTON COUNTY**

**DATED: NOVEMBER 7, 2013**

**BY MR. MCGOVERN:**

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Community Services Board and the Hamilton County Community Services Department has identified a need for Chemical Dependency Services and MICA services in Hamilton County, and

WHEREAS, funding to provide chemical dependency services was requested in the 2014 Community Services budget for this purpose, and

WHEREAS, funding to provide MICA services was requested in the 2014 Community Services budget for this purpose, and

WHEREAS, Citizen Advocates Inc. of Franklin County has agreed to operate, under its certification, the aforementioned Chemical Dependency Clinic and support Hamilton County Community Services' MICA program by providing a Certified Alcohol and Substance Abuse Counselor, be it

RESOLVED, that a contract with Citizens Advocated Inc. of Franklin County, in the amount of \$33,510.00 be made, and the Chairman be authorized to sign said contract upon approval of the County Attorney, for the purpose of operating this Clinic and provide support to the County's MICA program, to be paid in monthly installments, and be it further

RESOLVED, that said contract would be in effect from January 1, 2014 until December 31, 2014 and the County Treasurer be so advised.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: PINCOMBE

**RESOLUTION NO. 276-13**

**RESOLUTION TO CONTRACT WITH PARSON CHILD AND FAMILY CENTER OF ALBANY, NY FOR RESPITE SERVICES FOR CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS IN HAMILTON COUNTY**

**DATED: NOVEMBER 7, 2013**

**BY MR. WELLS:**

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Community Services Board has identified a need for respite services for children and adolescents in Hamilton County, and

WHEREAS, the Parsons Child and Family Center of Albany, NY is currently a provider in Hamilton County and has the capacity and appropriate certifications and licensure to develop and operate a respite program in New York State, be it

RESOLVED, that the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors authorizes the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors to enter into a contract with the Parsons Child and Family Center of Albany, NY that will allow the Hamilton County Community Services Department to refer appropriately identified children and adolescents to this program and purchase these services per an agreed upon rate of \$30 per hour for up to six hours but no more than \$180 per day and, be it further

RESOLVED, that said contract would be in effect from January 1, 2014 until December 31, 2014.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: PINCOMBE

**RESOLUTION NO. 277-13**

**RESOLUTION TO CONTRACT WITH THE HAMILTON FULTON MONTGOMERY PREVENTION COUNCIL TO PROVIDE A PREVENTION PROGRAM IN HAMILTON COUNTY**

**DATED: NOVEMBER 7, 2013**

**BY MR. SEAMAN:**

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Community Services Board (HCCSB), the HCCSB's Alcohol and Substance Abuse Subcommittee, and the Hamilton County Community Services Department has identified a need for chemical dependency related prevention programming in Hamilton County, and

WHEREAS, the New York State Office of Alcohol and Substance Abuse Services (NYS OASAS) has approved the Hamilton Fulton Montgomery Prevention Council's (HFM Prevention Council) budget for \$71,175.00, annualized, in recurring funding to support a chemical dependency prevention program in Hamilton County, and

WHEREAS, NYS OASAS has determined that it will provide this funding to the HFM Prevention Council through Hamilton County's OASAS funding, be it

RESOLVED, that the Hamilton County Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, upon approval of the County Attorney, is hereby authorized to enter into contract with HFM Prevention Council for the purpose of providing chemical dependency prevention services in Hamilton County, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the designated funding will be paid in quarterly installments based upon the annualized amount of \$71,175.00 when confirmed in Hamilton County's OASAS state aid letter for the contracted period, and be it further

RESOLVED, that said contract would be in effect from January 1, 2014 until December 31, 2014.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: PINCOMBE

**RESOLUTION NO. 278-13**

**AUTHORIZING CHAIRMAN TO SIGN "CERTIFICATION STATEMENT FOR PROVIDER UTILIZING ELECTRONIC BILLING"**

**DATED: NOVEMBER 7, 2013**

**BY MR. FREY:**

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Public Health Nursing Service submits electronic claims to the State's Medicaid Fiscal Agent, and

WHEREAS, the agency maintains 3 programs for which one or more "Certification Statement for Provider Utilizing Electronic Billing" forms is required as follows:

Preschool Special Education Program:

ETIN: 6N8 – Medicaid Provider Number 03085178 - Expires May

Early Intervention Program:

ETIN: 00AJ – Medicaid Provider Number 02960992 – Early Intervention Service Coordination.  
Expires November

ETIN: OZ7 – Medicaid Provider Number 02960992 – Early Intervention Service Coordination.  
Expires February

ETIN: J5T – Medicaid Provider Number 02960992 – Early Intervention Service Coordination.  
Expires May

ETIN: NY7 – Medicaid Provider Number 02960992 – Early Intervention Service Coordination.  
Expires October

ETIN: 00E8 – Medicaid Provider Number 02960992 – Early Intervention Service Coordination  
Expires October

Hamilton County Public Health Nursing Service (CHHA):

ETIN: NY7 – Medicaid Provider Number 02997386 – Hamilton County Public Health Nursing Service. Expires October

ETIN: J5T – Medicaid Provider Number 02997386 – Hamilton County Public Health Nursing Service. Expires May

ETIN: OZ7 – Medicaid Provider Number 02997386 – Hamilton County Public Health Nursing Service. Expires February,

be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors is authorized to sign each “Certification Statement for Provider Utilizing Electronic Billing” for the Hamilton County Public Health Nursing Service, as needed, for the period January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: PINCOMBE

**RESOLUTION NO. 279-13**

**AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 258-13 – AUTHORIZING CHAIRMAN TO SIGN AGREEMENTS BETWEEN HAMILTON COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING SERVICE AND HEALTHWYSE, LLC**

**DATED: NOVEMBER 7, 2013**

**BY MR. SEAMAN:**

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 258-13 authorized extending the agreement between the Hamilton County Public Health Nursing Service and HealthWyse, LLC through June 30, 2014 for the provision of a electronic medical record and billing system, and

WHEREAS, HealthWyse, LLC has now proposed that the agreement will automatically renew each year thereafter at a total cost per year of \$12,656.25, with Hamilton County being required to provide written notice 90 days prior to the renewal period to opt out, and

WHEREAS, it would be a benefit to Hamilton County to automatically renew each year at the current cost of \$12,656.25, therefore, be it

RESOVLED, that Resolution No. 258-13 be hereby amended to authorize the Chairman, upon approval of the County Attorney, to sign all the necessary documents to renew the agreement with HealthWyse, LLC to include the provisions for automatic renewal each year thereafter at a total cost of \$12,656.25, with Hamilton County being required to provide written notice 90 days prior to the renewal period to opt out, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Director of Public Health/Patient Services and the County Treasurer be so notified.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: PINCOMBE

**RESOLUTION NO. 280-13**

**CONTRACT WITH THE UNIFIED COURT SYSTEM FOR COURT CLEANING AND  
MINOR REPAIRS**

**DATED: NOVEMBER 7, 2013**

**BY MR. WELLS:**

WHEREAS, the State of New York, pursuant to the laws of 1996, Chapter 686, began to assume responsibility for the costs of cleaning and minor repairs to the court facilities, and

WHEREAS, the County is now in receipt of a new five year agreement which runs from SFY 2013-2014 through SFY 2017-2018, and

WHEREAS, the initial contract period is for April 1, 2013 through March 31, 2014 for an amount not to exceed \$85,261.00, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors does hereby authorize the Chairman to enter into a contract with the Unified Court System for the purposes of being reimbursed for the costs of cleaning and making minor repairs to the Hamilton County Court facilities, for the period running from April 1, 2013 to March 31, 2014.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: PINCOMBE

**RESOLUTION NO. 281-13**

**AUTHORIZING EXTENSION OF CONTRACT WITH TOWN OF INLET FOR  
OPERATION OF RECYCLING CENTER**

**DATED: NOVEMBER 7, 2013**

**BY MR. TOWERS:**

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 70-12 authorized the Chairman of the Board to enter into an agreement with the Town of Inlet for the operation of the Northern Recycling Center, and

WHEREAS, the said contract was for the years 2012 and 2013 and the Solid Waste Coordinator recommends that Hamilton County extend the said contract for a period of two (2) years beginning on January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2015 for the same terms, be it

RESOLVED, that effective January 1, 2014 the County will contract with the Town of Inlet for the operation of the Northern Recycling Center, be it further

RESOLVED, the Chairman of the Board is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with the Town of Inlet for:

- A period to run from January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2015
- For \$40,000.00 per year
- The County will continue to own and maintain the skid steer and bailer, including replacement if necessary
- All other responsibilities and functions will be borne by the Town of Inlet

and be it further

RESOLVED, the Solid Waste Coordinator and County Treasurer be so notified.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: PINCOMBE

### **RESOLUTION NO. 282-13**

#### **AUTHORIZING PAYMENT FOR PETROLEUM BULK STORAGE REGISTRATION RENEWAL FOR LAKE PLEASANT COUNTY OFFICES COMPLEX**

**DATED: NOVEMBER 7, 2013**

**BY MR. MCGOVERN:**

WHEREAS, the Petroleum Bulk Storage (PBS) 5 year registration renewal fee is due, and

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation will not accept vouchers for the renewal of the registration, be it

RESOLVED, that the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors do hereby authorize payment for registration renewal fees of \$500.00 for the County's PBS located at the Lake Pleasant County Offices Complex (Court House & Jail), and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer is hereby authorized to make a check payable to the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation in the amount of \$500.00 for the said PBS renewal and the funds be taken out of Account No. A1620.0403 Heating and the County Buildings Superintendent and Clerk of the Board be so notified.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: PINCOMBE

**RESOLUTION NO. 283-13**

**AUTHORIZATION OF INCREASE OF APPROPRIATION AND REVENUE FOR  
EQUIPMENT RENTAL**

**DATED: NOVEMBER 7, 2013**

**BY MR. TOWERS:**

WHEREAS, the budget appropriation for Account No. D5110.402 Equipment Rental for 2013 was set and duly adopted for \$135,000.00, and

WHEREAS, the County Highway Department performed road maintenance on the Moose River Plains Wild Forest Recreational road for the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC), and

WHEREAS, the Highway Department expended funds for internal equipment rental and outside equipment rental to perform the said road maintenance for NYSDEC, and

WHEREAS, NYSDEC will be reimbursing the County for the said services and the County Highway Superintendent recommends that the appropriation and revenues be increased to show the expenditures and revenues from the said work performed, be it

RESOLVED, that the budget appropriation for Account No. D5110.402 Equipment Rental be increased by \$25,000.00 to be totally offset by increasing Revenue Account No. D2389.000 Misc. Revenue Other Government by \$25,000.00 and the County Treasurer be so authorized and the Highway Superintendent and Clerk of the Board be so notified.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: PINCOMBE

**RESOLUTION NO. 284-13**

**AUTHORIZING PAYMENTS TO FRONTIER SPATIAL, LLC AND WILDERNESS  
PROPERTY MANAGEMENT, INC.**

**DATED: NOVEMBER 7, 2013**

**BY MR. SEAMAN:**

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors authorized work by Frontier Spatial, LLC in support of the Upper Hudson Recreational Hub Towns of Indian Lake and Long Lake, and

WHEREAS, Frontier Spatial, LLC has submitted a progress billing, in the amount of \$1,425.00, and

WHEREAS, in support of this effort, field work was required to ground truth the mapping, and

WHEREAS, Wilderness Property Management, LLC was recommended to do this work and an invoice has been received in the amount of \$1,666.00, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Hamilton County Treasurer is hereby authorized to pay Frontier Spatial, LLC \$1,425.00 from Account No. A A1010.0408 Adirondack Partnership Project, and be it also

RESOLVED, that the Hamilton County Treasurer is hereby authorized to pay Wilderness Property Management, LLC \$1,666.00 from Account No. A1010.0407 Legislative Board Miscellaneous.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: PINCOMBE

**RESOLUTION NO. 285-13**

**TRANSFER OF FUNDS – COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

**DATED: NOVEMBER 7, 2013**

**BY MR. FREY:**

WHEREAS, there is a shortage of funds in Account No. A2490.401 Community College,  
be it

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer is hereby authorized to transfer \$13,000.00 from the Unappropriated General Fund Balance in accordance with Section 366 Subdivision 1 of the County Law to Account No.A2490.401 Community College.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: PINCOMBE

**RESOLUTION NO. 286-13**

**TRANSFER OF FUNDS – DISTRICT ATTORNEY**

**DATED: NOVEMBER 7, 2013**

**BY MR. FREY:**

WHEREAS, there is a shortage of funds in Account No A1165.410 Special Prosecutor,  
be it

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer is hereby authorized to transfer \$595.00 from  
Account No. A1990.401 Contingent to Account No. A1165.410 Special Prosecutor, and be it  
further

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer is hereby authorized to make payment to Lisa A.  
Burgess, PO Box 440, Indian Lake, NY in the amount of \$595.00 for Special District Attorney  
Services per the Statement of Services dated October 15, 2013.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: PINCOMBE

**RESOLUTION NO. 287-13**

**AUTHORIZING CHAIRMAN TO SIGN COMMUNITY SERVICES CONTRACT  
AGREEMENT BETWEEN WARREN COUNTY OFFICE FOR THE AGING AND  
HAMILTON COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING SERVICE**

**DATED: NOVEMBER 7, 2013**

**BY MR. TOWERS:**

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Public Health Nursing Service maintains an agreement between Warren/Hamilton Office for the Aging, and

WHEREAS, Hamilton County Public Health Nursing Service provides services for Hamilton County residents under a Community Services Contract code A.6780 10 470, and

WHEREAS, this contract has been submitted for renewal for the period April 1, 2013 – March 31, 2014 in the full amount of \$2,500.00, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized to sign the agreement between the Public Health Nursing Service and Warren/Hamilton Office for the Aging, upon approval of the County Attorney, on behalf of the Hamilton County Public Health Nursing Service.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: PINCOMBE

**RESOLUTION NO. 288-13**

**APPROVAL OF AND TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR 2013 MERIT PAY**

**DATED: NOVEMBER 7, 2013**

**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 October 29, 2013 to review merit evaluations, be it

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

COUNTY CLERK

Heather Farber	November 1, 2013 to November 1, 2014	\$1.65
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SHERIFF

William Wilt	November 1, 2013 to November 1, 2014	\$1.65
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CLERK OF THE BOARD

Cheryl Paestella	November 1, 2013 to November 1, 2014	\$1.54
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HIGHWAY

Derek Cummins	November 1, 2013 to November 1, 2014	\$1.54
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Mark Hunt November 15, 2013 to November 15, 2014 \$ .77  
Matthew LaPlant November 1, 2013 to November 1, 2014 \$ .99

NURSING

Kristen King November 29, 2013 to November 29, 2014 \$1.32

TOURISM

Christy Wilt October 16, 2013 to October 16, 2014 \$1.32

PROBATION

John Boya November 15, 2013 to November 15, 2014 \$1.43

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the following transfers be made to cover the above 2013 merit pay:  
FROM: A1990.401 Contingent \$22,730.07

TO: A1410.102 Deputy County Clerk \$3,445.20  
A3110.112 Deputy Sheriff #A \$3,253.36  
A1040.102 Deputy Clerk of the Board \$2,813.58  
D5110.101 Personal Services \$3,215.52  
D5110.101 Personal Services \$1,607.76  
D5110.101 Personal Services \$1,491.60  
A4050.120 Acct. Clerk/Computer Support Aide \$1,861.86  
A8020.103 Economic Dev. & Tourism Aide \$2,253.02  
A3140.103 Probation Officer \$2,788.17

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

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: PINCOMBE

**RESOLUTION NO. 289-13**

**APPROVAL OF AUDITS IN COUNTY HIGHWAY FUNDS**

**DATED: NOVEMBER 7, 2013**

**BY MR. TOWERS:**

RESOLVED, that the bills in the Machinery Fund amounting to \$81,631.57 and bills in the County Road Fund amounting to \$557,462.02 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, EDWARDS, WELLS, FREY, MCGOVERN, SEAMAN, FARBER, AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: PINCOMBE

**RESOLUTION NO. 290-13**

**APPROVAL OF AUDITS IN THE COUNTY GENERAL FUND AND CAPITAL PROJECT 2012-1 HURRICANE IRENE FLOOD MITIGATION**

**DATED: NOVEMBER 7, 2013**

**BY MR. FREY:**

RESOLVED, that the bills audited this day in the County General Fund in the amount of \$277,134.58 by the following committees:

Building Committee .....	\$18,089.49
Solid Waste Committee .....	46,171.32
Finance Committee .....	134,908.25
Health & Human Services Committee.....	39,888.78
Central Government Committee .....	21,200.29
Publicity, Tourism, Economic Development & Planning Committee.....	14,626.92
Internal Management Committee .....	2,249.53

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the bills audited this day in the following Capital Project:

Hurricane Irene Flood Mitigation.....	\$38,837.81
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are hereby approved.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: PINCOMBE

Budget Review:

Expenditures:

Frank reported that he and John believe that the budget that everyone has will meet the needs of the County for the year of 2014 and it is within the budget cap as well coming in at 1.6%. He

feels this is a good base line to work with as they start to consider some items. We have had some departmental salary requests that show increases and they are in the column as departmental request and in the Budget Officer's recommendation we have stuck to the COLA, so any increases that are above the COLA need to be taken up by the Board at a later date.

The Chairman stated we can have a Finance Committee meeting associated with that to allow John and Frank to take us through it and let us focus on all of the individual requests.

Frank stated all the calculations for the employee benefits have been done with the Treasurer's Office so that we are confident that those figures will be sufficient. The departments did a wonderful job keeping their budgets flat.

Frank wanted to thank Laura and her staff, Beth and her staff, Bill and John for their input. He feels they have a good draft to start with.

The Board then started reviewing the budget.

Neil made the suggestion that maybe the Supervisors salaries should be frozen.

John suggested it be discussed at a Finance Committee Meeting.

John stated under 1340 – if the Board would like to appoint a sole Budget Officer he does not have a problem not seeking their support as Budget Officer again. He welcomed Frank back and the expertise that he brings. He is also here and available for the department heads, he on the other hand is the furthest away from the county seat and that hasn't been a good fit. John recommends that they move back to a single Budget Officer and he would support a motion at the end of sessions to appoint Frank as Budget Officer without a Deputy.

The Chairman stated procedurally the Budget Officer's appointment goes with the term of the Board and it will be a new sitting Board at the Organizational Meeting and at that point in time we can do this.

Brian T. stated that there are a number of Department Heads that have only been here for a couple of years and traditionally after a certain grace period we put them back to what their predecessor was at. Do we know what those particular Departments are?

The Chairman stated when we consider these we should look back at our past practices and what would be the implications if we applied that past practice to their requests.

Neil stated that with or without Primaries, Election's budget seems be to creeping up.

The Chairman stated that several of the budget line items in the Election budget are related to the number of anticipated Primaries. This is what drives the expense with respect to the change for mechanics; it is the potential for an extra Primary. This also reflects on the request for another \$1,000 for travel.

The Chairman stated he thought it would be a helpful tool if they added a line item for Commissioners travel only, for things such as administration. Then the other line could be used for Election employee travel for Primaries and General Elections. A short discussion continued.

Brian Towers asked if this is where the truck rental comes out of and Frank reported that he will be meeting with them and he will find out what comes out of the line.

The Chairman stated that he feels that should come out of election expense not out of travel.

Brian Towers asked what has been happening with 3110.114 – Court Security.

The Chairman explained that there was a request from Office of Court Administration for us to make changes to the building, add a security door at the entrance just off of the bridge before the Law Library. With that they were proposing to change the way that Court Security has been provided. As of right now there is always one Security Officer here when the Judge is in chambers. Then when Court is in session we have two Security Officers here. The change with adding the security door in the proposal was that they would pay for the contractual expenses and the door and then they would modify the Court Security contract so that we would only be providing Court Security when Court was in session. This was a concern to the Judge because he felt he would be the keeper of the door and have to let people in and out that needed to go to the attic or someone to the law library etc.

The County Sheriff had a grave concern about his ability to keep the staff that he currently has. The quality of the staff that can provide Court Security is dependent upon your ability to provide them employment. And if this is part-time verses a full-time that has ramifications that would create an administration nightmare.

The Chairman, Sheriff and Judge did meet with the Administrative Judge for the Fourth Judicial District and the Upstate Administrative Judge last week. They voiced their concerns and the Judges decided that it would be more expensive for them to bring in Court Security Officers. They asked us if we would be willing to continue providing the service as we currently have been and we indicated we would. This is why you'll see initially a Departmental request of zero and \$50,000 is back in there. This amount is what the current contract is.

3640 – Emergency Management - Neil questioned the increase for .404. Frank stated that was the number Don came back with after a conversation regarding the Fire training.

Brian Wells questioned 4050.101 Public Health Director.

The Chairman explained the current 2013 salary is Beth Ryan, the 2014 Departmental request was a place holder for the new Public Health Director.

8161.401 - Neil questioned why Tracy left the Tipping Fees flat because we are starting to see benefits of separating the paper etc.

The Chairman stated the reason why he kept that line item flat is because he saw a slight upward kick in per ton rate. We are hoping to offset the increase in per ton costs by reducing the tons through more effective recycling.

The Chairman stated now that we have chosen a company that will be taking over our Tourism we will need to sit down and come up with a tentative plan with our Planning, Tourism, and Economic Development Committee about how to do the Economic Development so that we can apply some real numbers to the budget.

Revenues:

John stated if everyone would look at page one the sales tax. This isn't the full amount of what we expect; next year there should still be some room but we don't want to push this line to high in his or Frank's opinion. If it's \$850,000 and we only get in \$756,000, almost \$100,000 evaporated out of revenues from underfunded lines.

Frank stated his concern for 2015 is if and when we fall under the Affordable Health Care Act the severity of impact it will have on our budget. If the current charges we have now are not adequate we will have to go to a higher contribution.

The Chairman stated that Burnham reported that one of the changes under the Health Care Act is the opportunity for employers the size of Hamilton County to split our retirees and employees and that way we could shop separately for coverage for each group. To have that option to split them apart for next year could help us. We need to mark the calendar to press Burnham next August so if we do split them apart we will need to bring in the retirees to discuss what will be happening and that could save on the increase that will be coming.

Neil stated there is no bigger driver of expenses than health insurance. He feels that they need to be able to shop around.

The Chairman stated that they identified that they will need to have a couple of Committee meetings such as Finance and Planning and Tourism before Sessions are over.

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