

AGENDA

FIRST ANNUAL SESSION

NOVEMBER 5, 2015

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

Accepting Minutes of Sept. 3, 2015, Sept. 18, 2015 & Oct. 1, 2015

Public Comment Period

Reports of Standing/Special Committees

RESOLUTIONS:

- No. 1 Accepting Report of the Finance Committee
- No. 2 Authorizing a Public Hearing to Consider Proposed Local Law No. 12 of 2015 A Local Law Overriding the Tax Levy Limit for Hamilton County for 2016 and Authorizing the Adoption by Hamilton County of a Budget for 2016 that will require a Tax Levy that is greater than the Tax Levy Limit for the 2016 Fiscal Year
- No. 3 Transfer of Funds – Board of Ethics
- No. 4 Mortgage Tax Distribution
- No. 5 Authorizing Two Year Lease Agreement with Lisa Burgess
- No. 6 Emergency Radio Equipment Repairs Authorized for Blue Mt. Communication Facility
- No. 7 Authorizing HCPHNS Public Health Director to Attend Out of State Community of Practice Advanced Training on Creating Public Health Policy and Working with Elected Officials with the National Association of County & City Health Officials (NACCHO)
- No. 8 Amendment to Resolution No. 45-03: Authorizing Hamilton County to enter into Memorandum of Understanding with Hamilton County Schools
- No. 9 Authorizing Beth Ryan's Retiree Health Insurance

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

NOVEMBER 5, 2015

Your Committee on the tentative budget of the fiscal year 2016 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, Robert C. Edwards

Brian E. Towers, Neil P. McGovern

RESOLUTION NO.

ACCEPTING REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

DATED: NOVEMBER 5, 2015

BY

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

Seconded by

RESOLUTION NO.

**AUTHORIZING A PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER
PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO. 12 OF 2015 A LOCAL LAW OVERRIDING THE TAX
LEVY LIMIT FOR HAMILTON COUNTY FOR 2016 AND AUTHORIZING THE
ADOPTION BY HAMILTON COUNTY OF A BUDGET FOR 2016 THAT WILL
REQUIRE A TAX LEVY THAT IS GREATER THAN THE TAX LEVY LIMIT FOR
THE 2016 FISCAL YEAR**

DATED: NOVEMBER 5, 2015

BY

RESOLVED, that proposed Local Law No. 12 of 2015 titled "A LOCAL LAW OVERRIDING THE TAX LEVY LIMIT FOR HAMILTON COUNTY FOR 2015 AND AUTHORIZING THE ADOPTION BY HAMILTON COUNTY OF A BUDGET FOR 2015 THAT MAY REQUIRE A TAX LEVY THAT IS GREATER THAN THE TAX LEVY LIMIT FOR THE 2015 FISCAL YEAR" attached hereto and made a part hereof, be, and the same hereby is introduced before the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors, and in order to give interested members of the public the opportunity to be heard thereon, the Board of Supervisors shall hold a public hearing at the Supervisors' Rooms in the Hamilton County Municipal Building on the 20th day of November, 2015, at 11:00 a.m., on the matter of the adoption of said proposed Local Law No. 12 of 2015, entitled "A LOCAL LAW OVERRIDING THE TAX LEVY LIMIT FOR HAMILTON COUNTY FOR 2016 AND AUTHORIZING THE ADOPTION BY HAMILTON COUNTY OF A BUDGET FOR 2016 THAT MAY REQUIRE A TAX LEVY THAT IS GREATER THAN THE TAX LEVY LIMIT FOR THE 2016 FISCAL YEAR", and it be further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors be, and she hereby is authorized and directed to give notice of such public hearing in the manner provided by law.

Seconded by

PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO. 12 OF 2015

State of New York
County of Hamilton

A LOCAL LAW OVERRIDING THE TAX LEVY LIMIT FOR HAMILTON COUNTY FOR 2016 AND AUTHORIZING THE ADOPTION BY HAMILTON COUNTY OF A BUDGET FOR 2016 THAT WILL REQUIRE A TAX LEVY THAT IS GREATER THAN THE TAX LEVY LIMIT FOR THE 2016 FISCAL YEAR

BE IT ENACTED, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Hamilton as follows:

- Section 1. **Title:** This Local Law shall be known as “Hamilton County Responsible Budgeting Law of 2015”.
- Section 2. **Declaration of intent:** The intention of this local law is to comply with the requirements of General Municipal Law Section 3-c (5) prior to adopting the 2015 Hamilton County Budget. The slow recovery of the national, state and local economies from the most recent recession and the continued financial obligations imposed on the County by the State in the form of mandated government activities not fully funded by the State are conditions beyond the control of County government. Notwithstanding these circumstances the County will need to provide services in 2016, in addition to those mandated by the State, which are important to our citizens. After serious and sustained efforts to minimize the amount of the tax levy, and to project the tax levy limit for Hamilton County for 2016, it is clear that a responsible budget for 2016 will require a tax levy that will be greater than the tax levy limit calculated pursuant to applicable State Law.
- Section 3. **Budget Authorization:** The Board of Supervisors hereby overrides the tax levy limit for Hamilton County for 2016 and authorizes Hamilton County, after completing all required procedures for the adoption of a budget, to adopt a budget for 2016 that will require a tax levy increase that is greater than the tax levy limit calculated for 2016 pursuant to Section 3-c of the General Municipal Law.
- Section 4. **Severability:** If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or other portion of this local law is for any reason declared unconstitutional, or invalid or in whole or in part by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed severable and such unconstitutionality or invalidation shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this law which remaining portions shall remain in full force and effect.
- Section 5. **Effective Date:** This local law shall take effect upon the date on which a certified copy of this local law is filed in the office of the Secretary of State pursuant to section 27 of the Municipal Home Rule Law.

RESOLUTION NO.

TRANSFER OF FUNDS – BOARD OF ETHICS

DATED: NOVEMBER 5, 2015

BY

WHEREAS, there is a shortage of funds in Board of Ethics Account No. A6326.401, be it

RESOLVED, that \$575.18 be transferred from Contingent Account No. A1990.0401 to Board of Ethics Account No. A6326.0401 to cover said overage.

Seconded by

RESOLUTION NO.

MORTGAGE TAX DISTRIBUTION

DATED: NOVEMBER 5, 2015

BY

WHEREAS, it appears from the reports of the County Clerk and the County Treasurer for the period April 1, 2015 through September 30, 2015, 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 \$85,226.35, 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 \$85,226.35 be and the same hereby is apportioned as follows:

Arietta	\$12,466.50
Benson	\$2,829.04
Hope	\$3,845.20
Indian Lake	\$20,840.00
Inlet	\$14,580.09
Lake Pleasant	\$7,469.04
Long Lake	\$9,551.50
Morehouse	\$532.50
Wells	\$11,582.67
Village of Speculator	\$1,529.81

and be it further

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

Seconded by

RESOLUTION NO.

AUTHORIZING TWO YEAR LEASE AGREEMENT WITH LISA BURGESS

DATED: NOVEMBER 5, 2015

BY

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors wishes to renew its lease with Lisa Burgess, and

WHEREAS, this Board has determined it to be in the best interest of the County to extend this relationship, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized to enter into a two year lease with Lisa Burgess for January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2017, with the approval of the County Attorney, and be it also

RESOLVED, that the monthly rent is hereby set at \$400.00 per month for 2016-2017.

Seconded by

RESOLUTION NO.

**EMERGENCY RADIO EQUIPMENT REPAIRS AUTHORIZED FOR BLUE MT.
COMMUNICATION FACILITY**

DATED: NOVEMBER 5, 2015

BY

WHEREAS, Hamilton County has Emergency Communication Equipment on Blue Mt.,
and

WHEREAS, in a site visit by the DEC and NYSP radio communication team to the top of
Blue Mt. damage to the county equipment was discovered, and

WHEREAS, due to the conditions on top of Blue Mt. repairs needed to be authorized
immediately as an Emergency Repair, and

WHEREAS, by quote dated October 20, 2015 to Blue Wing services Mid-State
Communications committed to said repairs for \$28,840.00, and

WHEREAS, Blue Wing recommends the repairs and approved the quote, and

WHEREAS, due to weather conditions on Blue Mt., and the very nature of Emergency
Communication systems the Sheriff and Emergency Manager requested immediate repair, now,
therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors hereby authorize Mid-State
Communications to make the critical repairs to the Blue Mt. Communication facility in an amount
not to exceed \$28,840.00, as set forth in their quote dated October 20, 2015 and on file with the
Emergency Manager and the Clerk of the Board.

Seconded by

RESOLUTION NO.

AUTHORIZING HCPHNS PUBLIC HEALTH DIRECTOR TO ATTEND OUT OF STATE COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE ADVANCED TRAINING ON CREATING PUBLIC HEALTH POLICY AND WORKING WITH ELECTED OFFICIALS WITH THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY & CITY HEALTH OFFICIALS (NACCHO)

DATED: NOVEMBER 5, 2015

BY

WHEREAS, Susan M. Franko has been accepted into the NACCHO Leadership Development Institute for New Local Health Officials' Community of Practice which will hold advanced training on creating public health policy and working with elected officials from December 1, 2015-December 3, 2015, and

WHEREAS, NACCHO will cover the cost of the travel, two nights hotel, and meals, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors authorizes Susan M. Franko to travel to Washington, DC to attend the NACCHO 2015 Local Health Organization Community of Practice Advance Training to be held from December 1, 2015-December 3, 2015.

Seconded by

RESOLUTION NO.

**AMENDMENT TO RESOLUTION NO. 45-03: AUTHORIZING HAMILTON COUNTY
TO ENTER INTO MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH HAMILTON
COUNTY SCHOOLS**

DATED: NOVEMBER 5, 2015

BY

WHEREAS, Hamilton County through its Public Health Nursing Service has entered into Memorandums of Understanding with local school districts for the purpose of using schools as a Point of Distribution of National Pharmaceutical Stockpile under the control of the Center for Disease Control and Prevention to provide urgently needed medications and supplies to afflicted areas, and

WHEREAS, the Memorandum of Understanding would allow Hamilton County Public Health Nursing Service to utilize the schools' refrigeration and freezers for storage of medication vaccines, and

WHEREAS, the school will provide the use of support and technical staff as needed in an emergency, and

WHEREAS, the school will cooperate with the County with "table top" exercises and drills, and

WHEREAS, the County will reimburse the school for food and supplies consumed, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Hamilton County Chairman of the Board of Supervisors and the Hamilton County Director of Public Health are authorized to re-enter into Memorandums of Understanding with local school districts located within the County of Hamilton for the distribution of medication and supplies in the community.

Seconded by

RESOLUTION NO.

AUTHORIZING BETH RYAN'S RETIREE HEALTH INSURANCE

DATED: NOVEMBER 5, 2015

BY

WHEREAS, Beth Ryan worked as Hamilton County Director of Patient Services and Public Health Director from Sept. 10, 1990 to July 1, 1999, and

WHEREAS, Beth Ryan then agreed to return to Hamilton County employment on Oct. 13, 2009 as a Supervising Community Health Nurse, and

WHEREAS, upon her return she inquired about the flexibility which could be applied to interpreting her eligibility for Retiree Health Insurance, and

WHEREAS, Beth Ryan then agreed to again serve as Director of Public Health/Director of Patient Services effective Jan. 1, 2011, and

WHEREAS, upon applying and interviewing for said position Beth Ryan informed the Board of her need for Retiree Insurance coverage and that in this significantly more stressful position she would not be able to get in an additional 10 years of serving for the County, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors failed to resolve this issue at that time, and

WHEREAS, Beth Ryan has now indicated her intended retirement date at the end of 2015 which will give her 15 years of continual service though not all consecutive, and

WHEREAS, now the Board of Supervisors has to deal with Beth Ryan's prior request, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that based on the fact that Beth Ryan has approximately 15 years of services to Hamilton County, the fact that she stepped in to fill the Director's role when the County desperately needed to fill a void, and the fact that the Board didn't previously authorize same, the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors hereby authorize Beth Ryan being covered as a retiree of Hamilton County, on the County insurance, under the same terms and conditions as all other retirees.

Seconded by