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RESOLUTION NO.

AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF BACK TAXES

DATED: FEBRUARY 5, 2015

BY

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has been contacted by Steve Reininghaus, a tax payer with a vested interest in the Morales estate concerning the 2012 and 2013 taxes owed on property located in Morehouse, with parcel ID #125.000-1-18, and

WHEREAS, Steve Reininghaus has submitted a written explanation of the circumstance of the litigation surrounding this parcel and a request to rectify the situation by paying the 2012 and 2013 back taxes, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Hamilton County Treasurer is hereby authorized to accept payment of the taxes owed in the amount of \$6,095.18 together with an administrative charge of \$500.00 for a total of \$6,595.18.

Seconded by

RESOLUTION NO.

**AUTHORIZING THE HAMILTON COUNTY TREASURER TO BE THE
COLLECTING OFFICER FOR THE LAKE PLEASANT CENTRAL SCHOOL
DISTRICT TAXES**

DATED: FEBRUARY 4, 2015

BY

WHEREAS, according to Real Property Tax Law Section 578, the County has the right to enter into a contract with a school district for the collection of school taxes, and

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors and the Lake Pleasant Central School Board have agreed to contract for Tax Collection for an annual amount of \$10,150.00, and

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Treasurer has met with Lake Pleasant Central School Officials and has reviewed and discussed the terms of a school tax collection agreement, and

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Treasurer has agreed to be the tax collecting officer for the 2015-2016, 2016-2017 & 2017-2018 School Years for the Lake Pleasant Central School during its normal school tax collection period of September 1 to October 31 with the collecting office being the Hamilton County Treasurer's Office, be it

RESOLVED, that Beth Hunt, Hamilton County Treasurer, is authorized to collect the Lake Pleasant Central School District taxes for the School Tax Years 2015-2016, 2016-2017 & 2017-2018 at the Hamilton County Treasurer's Office for an agreed contract amount of \$10,150.00 per school tax year to be paid by the Lake Pleasant Central School District, and be it further

RESOLVED, that upon the approval of the County Attorney, the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors is authorized to enter into a contract with Lake Pleasant Central School to provide school tax collection services for the school tax years 2015-2016, 2016-2017 & 2017-2018 for \$10,150.00 per school tax year and the Country Treasurer be so notified.

Seconded by

RESOLUTION NO.

TAX BILL CORRECTION OF ERRORS

DATED: FEBRUARY 5, 2015

BY

WHEREAS, it has been reported to the Board of Supervisors by the Director of Real Property Tax Services that a parcel of property, located at 215 Elm Lake Road in the Village of Speculator, Town of Lake Pleasant, and further identified as Tax Parcel ID# 105.019-1-1.100 and assessed to Karen and David McComb appeared on the 2015 Tax Roll with a total Town and County tax amount due of Two Thousand One Hundred Ninety Dollars and Ninety Five Cents (\$2,190.95) that included a village relevy in the amount of One Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty Eight Dollars and Forty Seven Cents (\$1,828.47) when, in fact, that Village of Speculator tax relevy amount was due on the adjacent parcel and was erroneously relevied to this parcel, and

WHEREAS, the actual 2015 total Town and County taxes due on this parcel are Three Hundred Sixty Two Dollars and Forty Eight Cents (\$362.48), and

WHEREAS, this is considered to be a "Clerical Error" as defined in Section 550 of the NYS Real Property Tax Law, and Section 554 of the NYS Real Property Tax Law establishes the process for the Correction of Errors of this type on tax rolls, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that, in accordance with Sections 550 and 554 of the NYS Real Property Tax Law, the 2015 Town and County taxes be corrected for the above referenced parcel to Three Hundred Sixty Two Dollars and Forty Eight Cents (\$362.48) reflecting the removal of the erroneous relevy of unpaid village taxes and the County Treasurer and Real Property Tax Service Director shall be so authorized.

Seconded by

RESOLUTION NO.

2015 TAX ROLL CORRECTION OF ERRORS

DATED: FEBRUARY 5, 2015

BY

WHEREAS, it has been reported to the Board of Supervisors by the Director of Real Property Tax Services that a parcel of property, located at 217 Elm Lake Road in the Village of Speculator, Town of Lake Pleasant , and further identified as Tax Parcel ID# 105.019-1-2 and assessed to Donald A. Pinkerton appeared on the 2015 Tax Roll with a total Town and County tax amount due of One Thousand Forty Eight Dollars and Sixty One Cents (\$1,048.61) did not include a Village of Speculator relevy of unpaid taxes in the amount of One Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty Eight Dollars and Forty Seven Cents (\$1,828.47), and

WHEREAS, the actual 2015 total Town and County taxes due on this parcel are Two Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy Seven Dollars and Eight Cents (\$2,877.08), and

WHEREAS, this is considered to be an "Omission" by means of a "Clerical Error" as defined in Section 550 of the NYS Real Property Tax Law, and Section 554 of the NYS Real Property Tax Law establishes the process for the Correction of Errors of this type on tax rolls, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that, in accordance with Sections 550 and 554 of the NYS Real Property Tax Law, the 2015 Town and County Tax Roll be corrected for the above referenced parcel to reflect the total amount due and payable as of the interest free period of Two Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy Seven Dollars and Eight Cents (\$2,877.08) reflecting the inclusion of the unpaid village taxes erroneously omitted and the County Treasurer and Real Property Tax Service Director shall be so authorized.

Seconded by

RESOLUTION NO.

TAX BILL CORRECTION OF ERRORS

DATED: FEBRUARY 5, 2015

BY

WHEREAS, it has been reported to the Board of Supervisors by the Director of Real Property Tax Services that a parcel of property, located at 118 Old State Road A in the Town of Indian Lake, and further identified as Tax Parcel ID# 56.019-4-33 and assessed to William Henry Zellner appeared on the 2015 Tax Roll with a total Town and County tax amount due of Four Hundred Forty Three Dollars and Twenty Five Cents (\$443.25) that included an unpaid Water #2 relevy in the amount of Sixty Six Dollars (\$66.00) when, in fact, the unpaid Water #2 bill was paid and erroneously relevied to this parcel, and

WHEREAS, the actual 2015 total Town and County taxes due on this parcel are Three Hundred Seventy Seven Dollars and Twenty Five Cents (\$377.25), and

WHEREAS, this is considered to be a "Clerical Error" as defined in Section 550 of the NYS Real Property Tax Law, and Section 554 of the NYS Real Property Tax Law establishes the process for the Correction of Errors of this type on tax rolls therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that, in accordance with Sections 550 and 554 of the NYS Real Property Tax Law, the 2015 Town and County taxes be corrected for the above referenced parcel to Three Hundred Seventy Seven Dollars and Twenty Five Cents (\$377.25) reflecting the removal of the erroneous relevy of unpaid Water #2 taxes and the County Treasurer and Real Property Tax Service Director shall be so authorized.

Seconded by

RESOLUTION NO.

**2015 TAX ROLL CORRECTION OF ERRORS
OMITTED TAX**

DATED: FEBRUARY 5, 2015

BY

WHEREAS, it has been reported to the Board of Supervisors by the Director of Real Property Tax Services that a parcel of property, located at 74 Stanton Hill Lane in the Town of Long Lake, and further identified as Tax Parcel ID# 25.016-4-32.120 and assessed to Keith Pritchett inadvertently did not appear on the 2015 Tax Roll with a total Town and County tax amount due of Three Hundred and One Dollars and Eighty Three Cents (\$301.83), and

WHEREAS, this is considered to be an "Omission" by means of a "Clerical Error" as defined in Section 550 of the NYS Real Property Tax Law, and Section 554 of the NYS Real Property Tax Law establishes the process for the Correction of Errors of this type on tax rolls, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that in accordance with Sections 550 and 554 of the NYS Real Property Tax Law, the 2015 Town and County Tax Roll be corrected for the above referenced parcel to reflect the total amount due and payable as of the interest free period of Three Hundred and One Dollars and Eighty Three Cents (\$301.83) reflecting the taxes erroneously omitted and the County Treasurer and Real Property Tax Service Director shall be so authorized.

Seconded by

RESOLUTION NO.

TAX BILL CORRECTION OF ERRORS

DATED: FEBRUARY 5, 2015

BY

WHEREAS, it has been reported to the Board of Supervisors by the Director of Real Property Tax Services that a parcel of property, located at 1233 Old Piseco Road, Town of Arietta, and further identified as Tax Parcel ID# 127.010-1-32 and assessed to Perry Condon appeared on the 2014 Piseco School Tax Roll with a total amount due of One Hundred Eleven Dollars and Seventy Six Cents (\$111.76) that erroneously included an Enhanced STAR exemption with a net tax savings in the amount of One Hundred Thirty Eight Dollars and Fifty One Cents (\$138.51) when, in fact, Mr. Condon was no longer entitled to the exemption and it was to be removed from this parcel, and

WHEREAS, the actual 2014 Piseco School Taxes due on this parcel are Two Hundred Fifty Dollars and Twenty Seven Cents (\$250.27), and

WHEREAS, this is considered to be a "Clerical Error" as defined in Section 550 of the NYS Real Property Tax Law, and Section 554 of the NYS Real Property Tax Law establishes the process for the Correction of Errors of this type on tax rolls, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that in accordance with Sections 550 and 554 of the NYS Real Property Tax Law, the 2014 Piseco Common School taxes be corrected for the above referenced parcel to Two Hundred Fifty Dollars and Twenty Seven Cents (\$250.27) reflecting the removal of the erroneous Enhanced Star exemption and the County Treasurer and Real Property Tax Service Director shall be so authorized.

Seconded by

RESOLUTION NO.

TAX BILL CORRECTION OF ERRORS

DATED: FEBRUARY 5, 2015

BY

WHEREAS, it has been reported to the Board of Supervisors by the Director of Real Property Tax Services that a parcel of property, located at 202 Fish Mountain Road, Town of Lake Pleasant, and further identified as Tax Parcel ID# 112.019-1-20 and assessed to Margaret LaFontaine appeared on the 2014 Lake Pleasant School Tax Roll with a total amount due of Three Hundred Eighty Five Dollars and Forty Four Cents (\$385.44) that erroneously did not include an Enhanced STAR exemption with a net tax savings in the amount of Two Hundred Twenty Eight Dollars (\$228.00) when, in fact, the parcel was indeed entitled to the Enhanced Star exemption and not the Basic STAR Exemption as was included on the original tax roll, and

WHEREAS, the actual 2014 Lake Pleasant School Taxes due on this parcel are One Hundred Fifty Seven Dollars and Forty Four Cents (\$157.44), and

WHEREAS, this is considered to be a "Clerical Error" as defined in Section 550 of the NYS Real Property Tax Law, and Section 554 of the NYS Real Property Tax Law establishes the process for the Correction of Errors of this type on tax rolls, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that, in accordance with Sections 550 and 554 of the NYS Real Property Tax Law, the 2014 Lake Pleasant Central School taxes be corrected for the above referenced parcel to One Hundred Fifty Seven Dollars and Forty Four Cents (\$157.44) reflecting the Enhanced Star exemption to which the parcel was entitled and not the Basic STAR Exemption as was applied, and the County Treasurer and Real Property Tax Service Director shall be so authorized.

Seconded by

RESOLUTION NO.

**AUTHORIZING HAMILTON COUNTY TO REIMBURSE EMPLOYEES FOR
QUALIFIED HEALTH CARE EXPENSES UNDER A GRACE PERIOD PROVISION
FOR REMAINING 2014 H.R.A. FUNDS**

DATED: FEBRUARY 5, 2015

BY

WHEREAS, Hamilton County administers Health Reimbursement Accounts (H.R.A.) for eligible employees and dependents who choose not to enroll in the Counties health insurance because of other eligible coverage, and

WHEREAS, the County offers \$1,800.00 in a H.R.A. for those employees, and

WHEREAS, poor information in setting up the H.R.A. with PrimePay for 2014, caused a misunderstanding concerning the grace period, and

WHEREAS, IRS regulations require a change in the way the County handles H.R.A. accounts, and

WHEREAS, an H.R.A. must exhaust funds as of December 31, per calendar year and our participating employees had not planned for this, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, eligible employees and dependents with unused 2014 H.R.A. funds will be reimbursed for qualified health care expenses incurred up to March 15, 2015, directly through an a plan administered by the County and Burnham Benefit Advisors, to allow utilization of these unused 2014 funds, and be it also

RESOLVED, that the accounting and reimbursements of qualified claims will be administered directly by Hamilton County Personnel, in conjunction with Burnham Benefit Advisors, and

RESOLVED, payments will be made directly by the Hamilton County Treasurer to eligible employees of qualified claims, and be it further

RESOLVED, that this reimbursement process will be completed by April 15, 2015, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Personnel Officer, Burnham Benefit Advisors, and the County Treasurer be so authorized.

Seconded by

RESOLUTION NO.

**AUTHORIZING HAMILTON COUNTY TO AMEND THE IN FORCE PRIMEPAY
H.R.A. TO ALLOW FOR A ROLLOVER PROVISION OF UNUSED FUNDS**

DATED: FEBRUARY 5, 2015

BY

WHEREAS, eligible employees participating in the Health Reimbursement Account (H.R.A.) receive a county contribution of \$1800 per year for qualified health care expenses incurred by the employee/and or dependents, and

WHEREAS, the County did not contract for a rollover provision when electing PrimePay as the H.R.A. broker, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, the county is amending the contract with PrimePay to allow for a rollover provision, and

RESOLVED, the county will allow unused funds of up to \$900 to rollover for use in subsequent plan years subject to an HRA lifetime maximum account balance cap of \$2700, and

RESOLVED, eligible rollover funds will be deposited on April 1 after the claims run-out period from the prior year expires.

Seconded

RESOLUTION NO.

**FUNDING ACCOUNT FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT'S OFFICE OF
HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES GRANT SH13-1024-D00 –
2015 BUDGET**

DATED: FEBRUARY 5, 2015

BY

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 337-13 authorized Hamilton County Emergency Management DHSES Grant SH13-1024-D00 in the amount of \$50,000.00 for forced entry training for the Fire Departments and Sheriff's Office and spill cleanup equipment, and

WHEREAS, the funding was not entirely spent, be it

RESOLVED, that Account No. A3645.0403 DHSES SH13-1024-D00 be funded at \$37,108.20 to be totally offset by funding Revenue Account No. A4389.111 SH13-1024-D00 at \$37,108.20 and the County Treasurer be so authorized.

Seconded by

RESOLUTION NO.

**FUNDING ACCOUNT FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT'S OFFICE OF
HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES GRANT SH14-1021-D00 –
2015 BUDGET**

DATED: FEBRUARY 5, 2015

BY

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 244-14 authorized Hamilton County Emergency Management DHSES Grant SH14-1021-D00 in the amount of \$50,000.00 for the purpose of purchasing EMS training equipment and software, and

WHEREAS, the funding was not spent in the 2014 budget year, be it

RESOLVED, that Account No. A3645.0407 DHSES SH14-1021-D00 be funded at \$50,000.00 to be totally offset by funding Revenue Account No. A4389.114 SH14-1021-D00 at \$50,000.00 and the County Treasurer be so authorized.

Seconded by

RESOLUTION NO.

**FUNDING ACCOUNT FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT'S DEPARTMENT OF
HOMELAND SECURITY & EMERGENCY SERVICES GRANT PS12-1010-D00 -
2015 BUDGET**

DATED: FEBRUARY 5, 2015

BY

WHEREAS, Resolution No 336-13 adopted December 20, 2013 authorized EM DHSES Grant PS12-1010-D00 in the amount of \$144,472.00, and

WHEREAS, the funding was not spent in the 2014 budget year, be it

RESOLVED, that Account No. A3645.0404 DHSES PS12-1010-D00 be funded at \$144,472.00 to be totally offset by funding Revenue Account No. A4389.112 PS12-1010-D00 in the amount of \$144,472.00 and the County Treasurer be so authorized.

Seconded by

RESOLUTION NO.

**FUNDING ACCOUNT FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT'S DEPARTMENT OF
HOMELAND SECURITY & EMERGENCY SERVICES GRANT PS14-1001-D00 –
2015 BUDGET**

DATED: FEBRUARY 5, 2015

BY

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 344-14 adopted December 19, 2014 authorized EM DHSES Grant PS14-1001-D00 in the amount of \$165,040.00 for the PSAP Center in the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office, and

WHEREAS, Grant PS14-1001-D00 has now been fully executed, be it

RESOLVED, that Account No. A3645.0408 DHSES PS14-1001-D00 be created and funded at \$165,040.00 to be totally offset by creating and funding Revenue Account No. A4389.115 PS14-1001-D00 in the amount of \$165,040.00 and the County Treasurer be so authorized.

Seconded by

RESOLUTION NO.

**FUNDING ACCOUNT FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT'S OFFICE NYS
DIVISION OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES GRANT
CONTRACT NO. C198376 – 2015 BUDGET**

DATED: FEBRUARY 5, 2015

BY

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 105-14 authorized Hamilton County Emergency Management DHSES Grant Contract No. C198376 in the amount of \$2,530,385.00 for Statewide Interoperable Communications, and

WHEREAS, the funding was not entirely spent, be it

RESOLVED, that Account No. A3645.0406 Statewide Communications Grant be funded at \$2,439,062.45 to be totally offset by funding Revenue Account No. A3389.300 at \$2,439.062.45 and the County Treasurer be so authorized.

Seconded by

RESOLUTION NO.

APPROVAL OF AND TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR 2015 MERIT PAY

DATED: FEBRUARY 5, 2015

BY

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

WHEREAS, the Internal Management Committee met on January 26, 2015 to review merit evaluations, be it

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

HIGHWAY

Robert Burgess	February 14, 2015 to February 14, 2016	\$1.65
John Moss	February 3, 2015 to February 3, 2016	\$1.21
Joseph Rathbun	February 21, 2015 to February 21, 2016	\$1.32

REAL PROPERTY

Lori Abbott	February 22, 2015 to February 22, 2016	\$1.54
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NURSING

Avis Warner	February 28, 2015 to February 28, 2016	\$.88
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SOCIAL SERVICES

Stephanie Hutchins	February 10, 2015 to February 10, 2016	\$1.10
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and be it further

RESOLVED, that the following transfers be made to cover the above 2015 merit pay:

FROM:	A1990.402	Contingent for Merit	\$15,202.00
TO:	D5110.101	Personal Services	\$3,445.20
	D5110.101	Personal Services	\$2,526.48
	DM5130.101	Mechanics	\$2,756.16
	A1355.102	Real Property Tax Service Aide	\$2,813.58
	A4010.107	Sr. Registered Professional Nurse	\$1,607.76
	A6010.105	Social Welfare Examiner D	\$2,052.82

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

Seconded by

RESOLUTION NO.

APPROVAL OF AUDITS IN COUNTY HIGHWAY FUNDS

DATED: FEBRUARY 5, 2015

BY

RESOLVED, that the bills in the Machinery Fund amounting to \$170,864.04 and bills in the County Road Fund amounting to \$139,450.17 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

RESOLUTION NO.

APPROVAL OF AUDITS IN THE COUNTY GENERAL FUND

DATED: FEBRUARY 5, 2015

BY

RESOLVED, that the bills audited this day in the County General Fund in the amount of \$427,079.03 by the following committees:

Building Committee	\$15,622.89
Public Works (Solid Waste) Committee	25,234.23
Finance Committee	246,407.85
Health Committee.....	17,627.55
Human Services Committee.....	42,107.72
Central Government Committee	55,838.60
Emergency Prep./Emergency Response.....	21,994.49
Publicity, Tourism, Economic Development & Planning Committee.....	704.92
Internal Management Committee	1,540.78

are hereby approved.

Seconded by

RESOLUTION NO.

**AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
BLOCK GRANT APPLICATION**

DATED: FEBRUARY 5, 2015

BY

WHEREAS, Hamilton County has identified housing rehabilitation and assisting low/moderate income homeowners, as its most severe community development need, and

WHEREAS, the proposed program area is hereby defined as having many substandard structures occupied by low/moderate income families, Substandard is defined as:

A structure or dwelling unit which has one or more major structural defect, but can still be repaired for a reasonable amount

and

WHEREAS, the only affordable means of financing a program designed to meet these needs is to secure funding from the NYS Office of Community Renewal Community Development Block Grant Program, and

WHEREAS, due to the sparsely populated character of the proposed program area with homes scattered over a large geographical area, a non-target methodology is to be employed to assist only low and moderate income persons, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors authorizes Chairman, William G. Farber, to sign and submit an application to the NYS Office of Community Renewal for a community development program for housing rehabilitation and to act in connection with the submission of the application and to provide such additional information as may be required, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Housing Assistance Program of Essex County, Inc. will perform administrative services as a subrecipient for Hamilton County, and be it further

RESOLVED, that Hamilton County has adopted the following: Citizen Participation Plan, Residential Anti-Displacement and Relocation Assistance Plan, Excessive Force Policy, Lead Based Paint Plan, and the Housing Rehabilitation Program Policy and Procedures, and that they are on file at the County Offices.

Seconded by