

2020

FIFTH SESSION

MAY 7, 2020

The Board convened at 10:30 A.M. in the Supervisors' Chambers (via Zoom) 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 Abrams, called the roll with the following Supervisors answering:

Arietta	Richard A. Wilt
Benson	John M. Stortecky
Hope	Steven M. Tomlinson
Indian Lake	Brian Wells
Inlet	John Frey
Lake Pleasant	Betsy A. Bain
Long Lake	Clay J. Arsenault
Morehouse	William G. Farber
Wells	Nick Mauro

Also present: County Attorney

A motion was made to accept the minutes of April 2, 2020 by Mr. Frey, seconded by Ms. Bain. Carried.

Public Comment: The Chairman stated that the Board would continue to waive verbal public comment. He also advised the Board to please let people know that if they have an issue to encourage them to submit it to the Board in writing.

Reports of Standings/Special Committees:

Mr. Frey: Stated he would like to touch on how the Board is doing business. He would like to propose that they get together safely for the next Committee Day meeting. There are some tough decisions going forward for this year as well as next. Other counties are looking at furloughing employees. Financially it is going to be tough.

Mr. Wilt: Gave a brief update regarding tower projects. He stated that he would be meeting with the engineer tomorrow to discuss redesign on East Mountain. He will be going up the following week on Blue Mountain with DEC and someone with radio communications to look over the building regarding racks being installed. His hope is to remove some of the unused equipment.

Mr. Tomlinson: Thanked Public Health and Erica Mahoney, Public Health Director, for all their hard work; the effort put forth for all the Zoom meetings that are put together between the Board and the community is incredible. The Board is very lucky to have them on board.

Mr. Arsenault: Thanked everyone for doing a good job.

The Chairman stated that he would like to add to Mr. Frey's thought. He has been thinking on what it would take to reopen the meetings to everyone. There is the possibility that some things will open up as soon as May 15th. The Board needs to think aggressively on how we are going to re-operate and re-integrate back in during COVID. He is interested in everyone's feedback. He added to what Mr. Tomlinson said in that there are various essential employees that deserve our thanks as well. He stated there has been some recent conversations on the process of how resolutions are put on the agenda. He stated that during previous committee day meetings there was discussion around some employees being close to the benefit caps as well as some already losing their time being already at the cap. COVID is a new operating dynamic in a lot of ways. He has authorized additional comp hours to a couple of essential employees so far. He had agreed with Mr. Wells in putting the resolution on the agenda to kick-off the conversation but in no way does he feel it has been thought out well enough. Please note that just because a resolution is placed on the agenda doesn't mean it's assumed adopted automatically.

Mr. Wilt asked if the May 15th open date was set in stone. The Chairman stated that it wasn't but the data sets that are being monitored by NYSDOH and Empire State Development make that a very encouraging likelihood. The County has meet all but one of the criteria. The one criterion is around testing and even that is within our reach. The majority of the North Country counties are similarly positioned. So, the big discussion is that if Hamilton County uses up all their test kits to meet this threshold can we be given the reassurance that more will be readily available.

RESOLUTIONS:

After the following resolution was placed on the floor; the Chairman stated historically this would be done surrounded by our Honored Seniors but given they are the vulnerable population we will wait for a better date in the near future.

RESOLUTION NO. 123-20

PROCLAMATION - OLDER AMERICANS MONTH

DATED: MAY 7, 2020

BY MR. ARSENAULT:

WHEREAS, the older citizens of Hamilton County are representative of an unprecedented trend in the nation's workforce as many continue to work in a variety of jobs, from teachers, to engineers, to business owners and entrepreneurs, and in doing so, bring invaluable experience and leadership skills to our community, and

WHEREAS, because of the substantial contributions made by our Older Americans, it is important that we recognize our senior citizens as one of our most vital and significant human resources, and encourage them to continue their independent lives with dignity and free from the fears, myths and misconceptions about aging, and

WHEREAS, this year's observance of Older American's Month, "Aging Well, Living Well," recognizes the important contributions of older Americans as they work on our behalf, and the efforts of our community to fulfill its obligation to older Americans by providing them with good health care and other services to enhance their lives, and

WHEREAS, it is traditional in Hamilton County, and throughout the Nation, to set aside a special month to honor and recognize the contributions of our Older Americans, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors, on behalf of the residents of Hamilton County, do hereby proclaim the month of May as

OLDER AMERICANS MONTH

in Hamilton County, and reaffirm our commitment to older Americans.

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

**AYES: WILT, STORTECKY, TOMLINSON, WELLS, FREY, BAIN, ARSENAULT,
FARBER AND MAURO**

NAYS: NONE

After the following resolution was placed on the floor; the Chairman stated that May's Committee Day falls on Memorial Day so the resolution proposes that it be moved to the day after.

RESOLUTION NO. 124-20

**CHANGING THE DATE OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MAY COMMITTEE
DAY**

DATED: MAY 7, 2020

BY MR. STORTECKY:

WHEREAS, the May Committee Day is scheduled for Monday, May 25, 2020 which is a holiday, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the May Committee Day of the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors is hereby changed from May 25, 2020 to May 26, 2020.

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

**AYES: WILT, STORTECKY, TOMLINSON, WELLS, FREY, BAIN, ARSENAULT,
FARBER AND MAURO**

NAYS: NONE

After the following resolution was placed on the floor; Mr. Frey made a motion to table, seconded by Ms. Bain. Motion Carried.

TABLED

RESOLUTION NO.

SUSPENSION OF EMPLOYEE BENEFIT ACCRUALS DURING COVID-19

DATED: MAY 7, 2020

BY MR. WELLS:

WHEREAS, on March 17, 2020, Hamilton County issued a Local Emergency Order, that access to any and all public facilities and offices owned and operated by Hamilton County shall be by appointment only due to the COVID-19 virus, and

WHEREAS, the County also decreased the number of people (non-essential) employees reporting to work by fifty percent (50%), per the recommendation of The Secretary to the Governor, for the purpose of limiting exposure to the COVID-19 virus, and

WHEREAS, non-essential employees have been allowed to be at home with full pay status, and

WHEREAS, non-essential employees are expected to remain at home during business hours, on a on-call basis, without use of benefit time unless they had personal business to attend to during said work day, and

WHEREAS, it has been recommended that employees who are not working continuously at a work site, who are using COVID-19 for time sheets, have their earned benefit time (Vacation, Sick, Personal) suspended until the County is back to full work status, be it

RESOLVED, that employees reporting COVID-19 on their time sheets will have their benefit time earnings suspended until notice is given from the Board of Supervisors to resume earnings once again, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the suspension of benefit earnings be effective on time sheet form #6, ending 5/2/20????, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Personnel Officer is hereby authorized to remove benefit time accruals earned on form #6, suspend further accruals until notified by the Board to resume and send a notice to all affected employees.

Seconded by Mr. Frey.

RESOLUTION NO. 125-20

MORTGAGE TAX DISTRIBUTION

DATED: MAY 7, 2020

BY MR. STORTECKY:

WHEREAS, it appears from the reports of the County Clerk and the County Treasurer for the period October 1, 2019 through March 31, 2020, 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 \$95,034.57, 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 \$95,034.57 be and the same hereby is apportioned as follows:

Arietta	\$6,843.00
Benson	\$2,675.50
Hope	\$7,001.57
Indian Lake	\$16,864.00
Inlet	\$14,445.00
Lake Pleasant	\$15,186.95
Long Lake	\$14,826.50
Morehouse	\$3,129.00
Wells	\$11,105.50
Village of Speculator	\$2,957.55

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 Mr. Frey and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: WILT, STORTECKY, TOMLINSON, WELLS, FREY, BAIN, ARSENAULT,
FARBER AND MAURO

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 126-20

**AUTHORIZING ADDENDUM TO INFO QUICK SOLUTIONS, INC. AGREEMENT
FOR ON-LINE SERVICES – COUNTY CLERK**

DATED: MAY 7, 2020

BY MR. WILT:

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Clerk’s Office in conjunction with Info Quick Solutions, Inc., the County Clerk’s records management vendor, has been striving since 2011 to upload images to the records management system with the ultimate goal of allowing records to be accessed on-line, and

WHEREAS, this goal was accomplished in March of 2020 in that 40 years of deed and mortgage records have been uploaded to the system allowing for an original 40 year title search as is the industry standard for title companies, and

WHEREAS, there was a recent meeting with the Central Government Committee outlining this plan, and the following fees and charges to access this online system were presented:

Monthly subscription is \$25.00 (payable quarterly) with a .65 cents per page printing charge
One day subscription is \$15.00 with .65 cents per page printing charge

with no fees to be incurred by the County to offer this service, and

WHEREAS, Info Quick Solutions will be responsible for back end set up, maintenance and customer service for users leaving the County with no responsibilities in maintaining or servicing this system, and

WHEREAS, the County Attorney has reviewed the addendum to the current contract with Info Quick Solutions as it relates to offering the on-line records and has approved the content of the addendum, and

WHEREAS, in consulting with other counties who have similar systems, the County Clerk has recommended the subscription and copy fees and the Central Government Committee have approved these charges as proposed and knowing the County of Hamilton will receive back 70% of the fees charged on a quarterly basis, be it

RESOLVED, that Chairman of the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized to sign said addendum which will allow access to Hamilton County Clerk records via on-line effective May 8, 2020.

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

AYES: WILT, STORTECKY, TOMLINSON, WELLS, FREY, BAIN, ARSENAULT,
FARBER AND MAURO

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 127-20

**AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE ANNUAL MAINTENANCE AND LICENSES FOR
IMPACT SOFTWARE**

DATED: MAY 7, 2020

BY MR. FREY:

WHEREAS, Hamilton County Public Safety Answering Point uses the IMPACT system for a Records Management System (RMS), Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD), and Automatic Vehicle Locater (AVL), and

WHEREAS, Fulton County uses the same system for their Dispatch System which will afford the same information and protocols for a proper back-up situation, and

WHEREAS, IMPACT is under New York State Contract Number PM67378, and

WHEREAS, Hamilton County has received a bill for the annual maintenance and site licenses for the PSAP's IMPACT system with the contract period running from May 1, 2020 to April 30, 2021 in the amount of \$15,253.00, be it

RESOLVED, that the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors authorizes the purchase of the annual maintenance and site licenses for IMPACT for \$15,253.00, and be it further

RESOLVED that the Hamilton County Treasurer is hereby authorized to issue a check to IMPACT (Central Square), 12709 Collection Center Drive, Chicago, IL 60693 for Invoice No. 273803 from Account A3645.0401, Statewide Communications Grant.

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

AYES: WILT, STORTECKY, TOMLINSON, WELLS, FREY, BAIN, ARSENAULT,
FARBER AND MAURO

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 128-20

**AMENDING RES. NO. 103-20 - AUTHORIZING MICROWAVE PATH STUDIES -
STATEWIDE INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS GRANT SI17-1003-DOO**

DATED: MAY 7, 2020

BY MR. ARSENAULT:

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 103-20 authorized the Hamilton County Office of Emergency Management to send a Purchase Order to Nokia for a set of Path Studies for the proposed Microwave and Interoperability project being planned by C&S Companies, and

WHEREAS, the Proposal from Nokia for the project is to be done by the sales arm of Nokia known as Lightspeed, and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 103-20 needs to be revised to state that the work is being performed by Lightspeed, be it

RESOLVED, that Resolution No. 103-20 is hereby amended to authorize the Hamilton County Emergency Services Office to issue the required Purchase Order to Lightspeed for the path study project, costing \$18,699.00 under NYS Contract # PT 64249, covered by funds available from NYS Department of Homeland Securities and Emergency Services, Office of Interoperable Communications Formula Grant SI17-1003-DOO, Account No. A3645.0418.

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

AYES: WILT, STORTECKY, TOMLINSON, WELLS, FREY, BAIN, ARSENAULT,
FARBER AND MAURO

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 129-20

**AUTHORIZING HYPER-REACH SERVICES AGREEMENT, FUNDING AND
PAYMENT**

DATED: MAY 7, 2020

BY MR. FREY:

WHEREAS, the Emergency Services Director and Sheriff have requested approval for an agreement with Sam Asher Computing Services, Inc. (aka Hyper-Reach) for a notification system

that will enable the County to instantly send voice and text messages to any number of recipients, and

WHEREAS, Public Health and Community Services have DSRIP funding that has not been spent, and

WHEREAS, Public Health received COVID funding in the amount of \$7,700 to be used for such services, be it

RESOLVED, that upon approval of the County Attorney the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with Sam Asher Computing Services, Inc. (aka Hyper-Reach) for the Hyper-Reach Notification System for a 3 year term, at \$6,350.00 annually for a total contract of \$19,050.00, and be it further

RESOLVED, that said contract will be paid in two 18 month payments, and be it further

RESOLVED, that \$1,825.00 of DSRIP money currently in the unappropriated general fund balance be transferred from the Unappropriated General Fund Balance in accordance with Section 366 Subdivision 1 of the County Law to the following Accounts:

Public Health Account No. A4050.0446 AHI DSRIP PPS	\$ 475.00
Community Services Account No. A4310.0419 AHI DSRIP	\$1,350.00

and be it further

RESOLVED, that upon receipt of the invoice for the first 18 months of said services, the County Treasurer is hereby authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$9,525.00 to Sam Asher Computing Services, Inc. (aka Hyper-Reach) to be paid from the following Accounts:

Public Health Account No. A4189.4540 Emergency Preparedness Misc.	\$7,700.00
Public Health Account No. A4050.0446 AHI DSRIP PPS	\$ 475.00
Community Services Account No. A4310.0419 AHI DSRIP	\$1,350.00

and be it further

RESOLVED, that Public Health commits \$9,525.00 DSRIP funding to the second payment of said agreement, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Emergency Services Director, Sheriff, Director of Public Health, Director of Community Services and County Treasurer be so notified.

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

AYES: WILT, STORTECKY, TOMLINSON, WELLS, FREY, BAIN, ARSENAULT,
FARBER AND MAURO

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 130-20

**AUTHORIZING CHAIRMAN TO SIGN AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT WITH THE
NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AS AN EARLY INTERVENTION
PROVIDER**

DATED: MAY 7, 2020

BY MS. BAIN:

WHEREAS, pursuant to Public Health Law 2550, the New York State Department of Health is the lead agency responsible for the administration of the Early Intervention Program and that each Municipality is responsible for the local administration of the program, which includes accepting referrals of children potentially eligible for program services, assigning initial service coordinators, participating in Individual Family Service Plan (IFSP) meetings, ensuring that services contained in the IFSP are appropriately delivered and reimbursing providers for services not covered by Medicaid or commercial insurance according to rates set by the NYSDOH, and

WHEREAS, the NYSDOH has allotted \$16,944.00 annually, for the period October 1, 2016 – September 30, 2021, and

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Health has increased the funding for year four to \$20,062 and year five to \$21,102, and

WHEREAS, the budget for 2020 has been approved, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors be authorized to sign the Early Intervention Provider Agreement with the New York State Department of Health, pending approval by the County Attorney and the County Treasurer be so advised.

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

AYES: WILT, STORTECKY, TOMLINSON, WELLS, FREY, BAIN, ARSENAULT,
FARBER AND MAURO

NAYS: NONE

After the following resolution was placed on the floor; the Chairman stated that this doesn't set it up in a way that anticipates a revenue and anticipates the offsetting expense. The federal legislation came up with blocks of money to support those as Health Care Providers. This funding comes in as a revenue to the County to make up for the short fall.

RESOLUTION NO. 131-20

CARES ACT PROVIDER RELIEF FUND – PUBLIC HEALTH

DATED: MAY 7, 2020

BY MR. FREY:

WHEREAS, President Trump is providing support to healthcare providers fighting the COVID-19 pandemic and on March 27, 2020, the President signed the bipartisan CARES Act that provides \$100 billion in relief funds to hospitals and other healthcare providers on the front lines of the coronavirus response, this funding will be used to support healthcare-related expenses or

lost revenue attributable to COVID-19 and to ensure uninsured Americans can get testing and treatment for COVID-19, and

WHEREAS, the total amount Hamilton County Public Health Nursing Service received from the government is \$10,386.22, and

WHEREAS, these funds are required to be tracked within the county budget, be it

RESOLVED, that Revenue Account No. A4489.200-Federal Aide, Other Health be created, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors be authorized to sign the attestation, pending approval by the County Attorney and the County Treasurer be so advised.

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

AYES: WILT, STORTECKY, TOMLINSON, WELLS, FREY, BAIN, ARSENAULT,
FARBER AND MAURO

NAYS: NONE

After the following resolution was placed on the floor; Mr. Frey thanked Tracy Eldridge, Highway Superintendent, for his continued service. In his opinion Mr. Eldridge's service is highly valued at the County.

RESOLUTION NO. 132-20

APPOINTMENT OF HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT

DATED: MAY 7, 2020

BY MR. WELLS:

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 102-04 of May 6 2004, Tracy Eldridge was appointed County Highway Superintendent for a term of four years, and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 127-08 of May 1, 2008, Tracy Eldridge was reappointed County Highway Superintendent for a term of four years, and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 143-12 of April 5, 2012, Tracy Eldridge was reappointed County Highway Superintendent for a term of four years, and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 123-16 of May 5, 2016, Tracy Eldridge was reappointed County Highway Superintendent for a term of four years, and

WHEREAS, the current term will expire on May 22, 2020, be it

RESOLVED, that by authority of Highway Law Section No 100 and the Civil Service Law and particularly Rule VIII of the rules for the Classified Civil Service of said Civil Service Law, Tracy Eldridge is hereby appointed County Highway Superintendent effective May 23, 2020, for a term of four years, and be it further

RESOLVED, that pursuant to said Highway Law, Section 100, the salary of said County Highway Superintendent is hereby fixed at the current salary of Ninety-five Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty-eight Dollars (\$95,788.00) for the remainder of 2020 and the annual salary be set by Local Law at budget time each year payable in equal biweekly installments from funds in the treasury appropriated in the Highway budget and the County Treasurer and Personnel Officer be so advised.

Seconded by All and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: WILT, STORTECKY, TOMLINSON, WELLS, FREY, BAIN, ARSENAULT,
FARBER AND MAURO

NAYS: NONE

After the following resolution was placed on the floor; the Chairman explained how this is what the Board has done historically with some vendors. There are projects that require the vendor to purchase materials in advance. In this instance COVID-19 has delayed the install which has required them to sit on this expense. This is allowing them to be paid for said materials.

RESOLUTION NO. 133-20

**AUTHORIZATION OF PAYMENT FOR CARPET/FLOORING MATERIALS IN
COMMUNITY SERVICES BUILDING**

DATED: MAY 7, 2020

BY MR. WILT:

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 86-20 authorizes the replacement of the carpet and flooring for the Community Services building, and

WHEREAS, the contractor ordered and is in possession of the said materials for the carpet/flooring replacement and because of the COVID-19 virus the installation work had to be delayed, and

WHEREAS, DPW Superintendent recommends the contractor be paid for the said materials, be it

RESOLVED, that payment for the carpet/flooring materials is hereby authorized and the County Treasurer be so authorized to send a payment of \$20,290.14 to Oliver's Flooring, Inc., PO Box 102, Northville, NY 12134 out of Account No. A4310.403 Supplies and the Community Services Director, Clerk of the Board and DPW Superintendent be so notified.

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

AYES: WILT, STORTECKY, TOMLINSON, WELLS, FREY, BAIN, ARSENAULT,
FARBER AND MAURO

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 134-20

APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES FOR PAVEMENT MAINTENANCE ON VARIOUS COUNTY ROADS 2020

DATED: MAY 7, 2020

BY MR. STORTECKY:

WHEREAS, there has been appropriated in the 2020 highway budget the sum of \$375,000.00 for asphalt for maintenance of County Roads, and

WHEREAS, there are roads that need to have Hot Mix Asphalt overlay treatments to keep the road in overall good condition, and

WHEREAS, the County Highway Superintendent recommends the approval of the following locations to have pavement maintenance completed,

County Route 8, Griffin Road, Town of Wells Approx. 1.0 mile	Est.....	\$100,000.00
County Route 3 – North Point Road, Town of Long Lake Approx. 1.0 miles.....	Est.....	\$100,000.00
Total estimate for all mileage		\$200,000.00

and

WHEREAS, purchase costs estimates are under New York State Contract or Piggy Back Contracts from other County’s pricing which are subject to Escalation/De-escalation and above costs are based on estimates of current pricing, and

WHEREAS, the above designated roads are on a completed system of the Hamilton County road map adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Hamilton County and approved by the Commissioner of Transportation, be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Hamilton does approve the said paving projects and funds be taken from Account No. D5110.404 Asphalt and Emulsion in the estimated amount sum of \$200,000.00 as recommended by the County Highway Superintendent and the Clerk of the Board be so advised.

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

AYES: WILT, STORTECKY, TOMLINSON, WELLS, FREY, BAIN, ARSENAULT,
FARBER AND MAURO

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 135-20

ACCEPTANCE OF BIDS FOR EQUIPMENT RENTAL WITH AND WITHOUT OPERATOR FOR 2020

DATED: MAY 7, 2020

BY MR. MAURO:

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County DPW has solicited bids for rental of equipment with and without operator pursuant to invitation to bidders and in accordance with Specification No. 4-2020, and

WHEREAS, ten (10) bids were received in response to the said invitation to bidders, as on file with the Clerk of the Board, and

WHEREAS, the intention of the bid proposal dated April 27, 2020, Spec. No. 4-2020, is to secure a tabulated list of Equipment Rental Rates With and Without Operator to be used by the Hamilton County DPW as necessary, be it

RESOLVED, that all bids be and hereby are listed and accepted and are to be tabulated and used as needed and as available in order of rate beginning with the lowest in each category, and the Clerk of the Board and County Treasurer be so notified.

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

AYES: WILT, STORTECKY, TOMLINSON, WELLS, FREY, BAIN, ARSENAULT,
FARBER AND MAURO

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 136-20

**ACCEPTANCE OF BID FOR READY MIX CONCRETE DELIVERED AND APPLIED AT
VARIOUS LOCATIONS WITHIN HAMILTON COUNTY 2020**

DATED: MAY 7, 2020

BY MR. WELLS:

WHEREAS, Hamilton County DPW heretofore solicited bids for the County's purchase of Ready Mix Concrete delivered and applied, pursuant to invitation to bidders and in accordance with Specification No. 5-2020, and

WHEREAS, one (1) bid was received in response to the said invitation to bidders, as follows:

- (1) Miller's Ready Mix Concrete
PO Box 291
Mayfield, NY 112117

Item No. 1 – New York State Standard Class “A” Mix Concrete

Total delivered price per cubic yard to the following towns:

Arietta	\$ 162.50	Lake Pleasant	\$ 144.00
Benson	\$ 125.50	Long Lake	\$ N/B
Hope	\$ 125.50	Morehouse	\$ 166.50
Indian Lake	\$ 166.50	Wells	\$ 131.50
Inlet	\$ N/B		

Item No. 2 – 4000 LBS Ready Mix Concrete (Non-DOT)

Total delivered price per cubic yard to the following towns:

Arietta	\$ 162.50	Lake Pleasant	\$ 144.00
Benson	\$ 125.50	Long Lake	\$ N/B
Hope	\$ 125.50	Morehouse	\$ 166.50
Indian Lake	\$ 166.50	Wells	\$ 131.50
Inlet	\$ N/B		

therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the bid be accepted and awarded to Miller’s Ready Mix Concrete of Mayfield for the locations bid on, and the County Treasurer and Clerk of the Board be so notified.

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

AYES: WILT, STORTECKY, TOMLINSON, WELLS, FREY, BAIN, ARSENAULT, FARBER AND MAURO

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 137-20

APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES FOR CONSTRUCTION OF COUNTY ROAD FUND PROJECTS FOR 2020

DATED: MAY 7, 2020

BY MR. TOMLINSON:

WHEREAS, there has been appropriated in the 2020 highway budget the sum of \$900,000.00 for the construction of County Road Fund Projects for 2020 and these funds are 100% reimbursed through the Consolidation Highway Improvement Program (CHIP’s), and

WHEREAS, the County Highway Superintendent has recommended the expenditure of \$300,000.00 for the construction of the following projects:

COUNTY ROAD PROJECT NO. 1 Town of Benson
 Co. Rd. No. 6 – Benson Rd., Binder and Top @ 20 ft.
 Approx. 1.00 miles.....\$180,000.00
 Account No. D5112.2522

COUNTY ROAD PROJECT NO. 2 Town of Morehouse
 Co. Rd No. 17 – French Road, Improve drainage, recycle base and pave @ 20 ft.
 Approx. 1.0 miles.....\$120,000.00
 Account No. 5112.2523

and

WHEREAS, the above designated roads and bridge are on a completed system of the Hamilton County road map adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Hamilton County and approved by the Commissioner of Transportation, be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Hamilton does allot and appropriate from Account No. D5112.202 Capital Projects, the sum of \$300,000.00, for the construction of the above designated projects as recommended by the County Highway Superintendent and the County Treasurer and Clerk of the Board be so advised.

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

AYES: WILT, STORTECKY, TOMLINSON, WELLS, FREY, BAIN, ARSENAULT,
FARBER AND MAURO

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 138-20

APPROVAL OF AUDITS IN COUNTY HIGHWAY FUNDS

DATED: MAY 7, 2020

BY MR. WILT:

RESOLVED, that the bills in the Machinery Fund amounting to \$35,943.04 and bills in the County Road Fund amounting to \$78,676.59 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, STORTECKY, TOMLINSON, WELLS, FREY, BAIN, ARSENAULT,
FARBER AND MAURO

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 139-20

**APPROVAL OF AUDITS IN THE COUNTY GENERAL FUND AND CAPITAL
PROJECT 2019-1 HALLOWEEN STORM**

DATED: MAY 7, 2020

BY MR. FREY:

RESOLVED, that the bills audited this day in the County General Fund in the amount of \$220,335.85 by the following committees:

Public Works (Buildings) Committee.....	\$26,501.81
Public Works (Solid Waste) Committee	23,437.47
Finance Committee	97,252.46
Health Committee.....	25,716.54
Human Services Committee.....	20,972.13
Central Government Committee	17,131.87
Emergency Prep./Emergency Response.....	7,593.03
Publicity, Tourism, Economic Development & Planning Committee.....	1,059.56
Internal Management Committee	670.98

be it further

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

Halloween Storm Capital Project 2019-1.....\$ 16,758.58

are hereby approved.

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

AYES: WILT, STORTECKY, TOMLINSON, WELLS, FREY, BAIN, ARSENAULT,
FARBER AND MAURO

NAYS: NONE

The Chairman stated that the resolutions were done and it concludes the agenda. He feels the Board should be thinking about the budget earlier for next year.

The Chairman discussed how they could still follow social distancing guidelines within the Supervisors Chambers and would like to see them meeting in a more traditional way by Committee Day. He discussed how they could do presentations via Zoom. He asked the Board for their input. Ms. Bain stated that she would like to see them meet for Committee Day. She feels that it has been difficult to discuss things via Zoom. Mr. Stortecky asked if during the upcoming Committee meeting would they be required to wear a mask. The Chairman stated that he encourages that and feels the Board should lead by example. Mr. Stortecky asked in regards to the 6-foot rule. The Chairman stated that a person is always encouraged to create that 6-foot separation when possible. That was why he thought the Supervisors Chambers would be a better place to meet for Committee Day. Mr. Stortecky asked if someone from that meeting tested positive for COVID-19 would everyone then be required to quarantine for 14 days. The Chairman stated that there would be an investigation. He will get more information and guidance from Erica Mahoney, Public Health Director regarding that. Mr. Stortecky agrees that they need to meet and feels it should be done safely. Mr. Wells stated that he would like to wait to see numbers before he makes a decision.

Mr. Frey stated that going forward with meetings, he would like to see that the handouts are sent electronically. In regards to reviewing bills he likes how the Audits have been sent electronically. He feels that is a better way to do it rather than the shuffling of papers. Leading by example as well as eliminating all points of contact are key. The Chairman stated that he thought they were good suggestions.

Mr. Tomlinson asked that when New York State opens on May 15th will the County as well. The Chairman stated how he has been working already with the Department Heads on how to bring their employees back safely. He is not sure what the rules will be when New York State opens at this point. He believes that when we are told that the municipal offices are open to the public again that we as a County can make some reasonable rules. The general conversation he has been having with the Department Heads is that they should bring their employees back safely and have their offices operating again before the office opens to the public. He discussed some of the feedback he has been getting. He stated that he thinks the Board should be open to creative operational plans that meet the first threshold test. Mr. Tomlinson feels the Board should lead by example and that they should be getting back to work. He stated that if the employees are going back on the 15th then the Board should absolutely be there working as well. Mr. Wells asked if the Department Heads' plans are being run by Ms. Mahoney or the Chairman. The Chairman stated that the plans

were being reviewed by himself. He has sent a couple of them to Ms. Mahoney regarding guidance with staff intersecting with the public.

Other Reports:

Mr. Wells: Thanked Kimberly Byrne, Personnel Officer, for getting the information and breaking it down for him. He stated that he might have rushed on the resolution but feels there is a lot to be discussed. He thanked the Supervisors and the Department Heads that he has already talked to regarding this. He has heard conversations around who created this resolution and feels that the blame should be pointed where it belongs instead of Mr. Arsenault. Mr. Arsenault deserves an apology.

Mr. Mauro: Echoed what Mr. Tomlinson said.

Mr. Frey: Stated for everyone to keep safe.

Ms. Bain: Stated that she had heard the resolution was put on the shoulders of the new Supervisors. She was upset to hear that. Being new they depend on the Chairman and she thanked him for all his help. It is a tough time for everyone and it isn't a time to be pointing fingers but to be working together as a team.

Mr. Stortecky: Thanked the Supervisors for Tabling Resolution #3.

Mr. Arsenault: Thanked everyone for their hard work and agrees that everyone has to work together.

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