

2021

THIRD SESSION

MARCH 4, 2021

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	ABSENT
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, Ernest Virgil-Historian and Mark Baird

A motion was made to accept the minutes of February 4, 2021 by Mr. Mauro, seconded by Ms. Bain. Carried.

Public Comment: No one present.

Reports of Standings/Special Committees:

Mr. Wells: Attended both a Local Government Review Board and an Adirondack Association of Towns and Villages (AATV) meeting. The majority of the discussion during both meetings was concerning the CD Bill and the unknown factor of where it is going. There may be some possible movement on the tree lawsuit in March. He asked the Chairman if he ever heard how many people were able to do amicus briefs. The Chairman stated he hadn't seen the final number of amicus briefs that were actually accepted by the court or even the final list of who submitted. The only ones that he was aware of were the ones that came to him. As they all know from past conversations, the process is that you submit a request with the brief and then the court makes the determination whether or not to allow. He stated that he would check. Mr. Wells thanked him and said he could as well. Mr. Wells stated that there was new leadership at AATV. The new President is looking to reintroduce AATV to the towns along with the services that they can provide. They should be reaching out. Mr. Wells further stated that if there were any questions regarding the meetings feel free to contact him.

Mr. Frey: Stated that the Finance Committee continues to work on COVID pay. The last meeting was with the Department Heads and he thought there would have been more input. He still thinks there is something they need to do and he would really like to get it done by the next Board meeting. Mr. Wells asked if he was referring to the meeting on February 25th. Mr. Frey said he was. Mr. Wells stated that the problem he is hearing is that they weren't aware it was going to be on the agenda. The agenda came out as a discussion of the COVID Policy and Vaccination Plan. Some were not prepared. Mr. Frey suggested that they would try to schedule another meeting with it being the main item on the agenda. The Chairman stated they could do that and he also thought that Mr. Frey had opened the door to any of them that wanted to submit any type of feedback. Ms. Bain stated that she agreed with Mr. Wells. She has heard the same thing from the Department Heads. They weren't prepared and thought it was just the COVID and Vaccination Policy. Mr. Frey stated that both the COVID and Vaccination Policy needed to take up the time it did. Now that it is going to be in place hopefully they can move forward. Hamilton County is in a different position than those counties that promised overtime and other benefits that are now backtracking on some of it. He had heard from one department that a gift card would be all they would want. He thought that was a very generous comeback. He thinks it is a little light in his opinion but maybe it would fit in for the in-between ones. The Chairman stated that they should consider talking to the County Attorney before they react to a gift card. He thinks that it's always important to be cautious what has the potential of drifting out from a public meeting. Mr. Frey stated to be clear that it was offered but he doesn't believe this was the direction they were going in. The Chairman stated that he appreciated it and he knew what he had meant. For posterity's sake he thought they should be clear.

Mr. Tomlinson: Everyone knows how busy the Public Health Department has been. They are trying to reach the fine balance between vaccinations and testing still. Both are very important to keep numbers low. They had done interviews the day before for the Public Health Emergency Preparedness and Health Coordinator position. There were 4 candidates and Erica Mahoney, Public Health Director, felt very confident in one of them. There is a resolution on the agenda to fill the position. He is looking for the Supervisors' support on that plus a couple others for Public Health. He would like to give Ms. Mahoney the help she needs. He thanked the Public Health staff and said they were doing a great job.

Mr. Richard Wilt joined the meeting during Mr. Tomlinson's report.

The Chairman added that the two resolutions basically do two things in parallel. One being, it will increase the contract with Barbara Taylor, current Public Health Emergency Preparedness Coordinator. The situation is that Hamilton County has to continue doing these largescale vaccinations clinics and testing. They need to convince people that testing is important. It is the only way to maintain a sense of community health. While they are in parallel creating the new position; figuring out the transition and how to create a successful handoff of duties so that the County doesn't risk having any missed steps. He stated how it was a very encouraging group of candidates.

Mr. Wilt: Stated there are a lot of projects that are ongoing. They are doing another survey at the Piseco tower site. That following week they will be doing a balloon test to get the tree height

exact. This is so they can put the right numbers in to the FAA. Right now, their tree height is different from ours. The Chairman thought it was the right thing to do.

Mr. Arsenault: Started out by saying he agreed with Mr. Wells and Ms. Bain. The Department Heads didn't know anything about the pay being discussed. They should not give up involving the Department Heads in meetings. He feels that they are on to something with that. Good work with everyone involved. He still doesn't agree that the Board should give essential workers money. His opinion is if anything it should be given across the board.

Mr. Stortecky: Stated he did not have anything to report. The Chairman wanted to add that he, Mr. Stortecky and Mr. Frey had met with Robert Kleppang, Community Services Director, in regards to what they could expect in terms of state revenues along with how different state agencies are handling this. The new dynamic that Mr. Kleppang is experiencing is that the State agencies are going to go from where they were withholding 20% down to 5% by fully reimbursing them for the first 3 quarters and instead withholding 20% from the 4th quarter. The challenge with that is it makes a big difference in what they claim and when. He further discussed our claiming practices. He thought there would be resolutions on the agenda but he, County Treasurer Beth Hunt, Mr. Kleppang, Mr. Frey and Mr. Stortecky had agreed to wait until the State budget was in place.

Ms. Bain: Stated that it is great that the County COVID Policy and Procedures is past them now. She was very happy with the Committee meeting they had the week before with all the Department Heads. As far as the vaccine part she thinks it is controversial. She thinks if they plan on proceeding forward with that then they really need to have a good discussion with the Department Heads and all the Supervisors.

The Chairman introduced Ernest Virgil, County Historian.

Mr. Virgil stated that during his interview he had said he had expected at least the first month he would spend getting to know what was in the office and where everything was stored. He said that it has become 2 months. He has been trying to find his way. There have been several historians prior to him and they all had their own way of doing things. Eliza Darling, prior County Historian, was very good in leaving him detailed notes but feels he can't go back to her notes every time. He wants to learn the office for himself. One of the challenges has been getting use to the Mac computer. He has been looking through the files, pictures and genealogy in the storage cabinets. There are materials that need to be filed as well. He went through the inventory to familiarize himself with it as well as how to use it. There is some equipment that he is working on and he's trying to figure out how it will be utilized. There was a donation of newspapers from 1920 going forward. He has been working on that and now has them all put away. The next challenge has been responding to the requests for information. He has been receiving 2 to 3 per week and each can take 2 to 3 hours depending on how much information is available. He further discussed how he researches. He says there are several things that he has to do and is getting to. One of those things is to locate the other storage areas. He has accomplished sending a letter of introduction out to the Historians he had on record. He asked the Supervisors that if they had new Historians in their towns to have them get in touch with him to provide contact information. He does refer people to the Town Historians. His goal is to create a network of information sharing and further discussed the benefits of that. The Chairman stated that he appreciated the update and is glad that

everything is going well. He asked the Supervisors if there were any questions. Mr. Frey welcomed Mr. Virgil and said that Apple would be his friend. Mr. Wells stated that Wayne Blanchard was still the Historian for Indian Lake. Mr. Frey stated that they might be changing their Historian in Inlet but it's still up in the air. The Chairman thanked him for his time.

Mr. Virgil left the meeting.

RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION NO. 61-21

FUNDING HRI COVID-19 RESPONSE GRANT – PUBLIC HEALTH

DATED: MARCH 4, 2021

BY MR. TOMLINSON:

WHEREAS, there are unspent funds in the 2020 HRI COVID-19 Response Grant, and

WHEREAS, the grant ends March 31, 2021, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer is hereby authorized to fund the following Accounts in the 2021 County Budget:

A4189.1102 HRI COVID19 PERSONAL SERVICE	\$7,878.55
A4189.4102 HRI COVID19 SUPPLIES	\$ 345.21
A4189.4103 HRI COVID19 MISCELLANEOUS	\$9,188.69
A4189.8610 HRI COVID19 FRINGE	\$3,908.92

To be totally offset by increasing Revenue Account No. A4401.0100 HRI COVID 19 by \$21,321.37.

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. 62-21

2020 TRANSFER OF FUNDS – COMMUNITY COLLEGE

DATED: MARCH 4, 2021

BY MR. FREY:

WHEREAS, there is a shortage of funds in the Community College Account, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer be hereby authorized to make the following transfers:

FROM: A1990.0401 Contingent	\$16,512.34
TO: A2490.0401 Community College	\$16,512.34

Seconded by Mr. Arsenault 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 resolution was one that NYSAC had worked on with Adirondack InterCounty including some input from Congresswoman Stefanik's office with respect to the federal component of this. The only moving part that he has become aware of that isn't included is that there was, under the prior FCC, a ruling in respect to 5G. He used prior because there may be changes under the new President. Under the ruling States were required to put forward a 5G Implementation Plan that NYS has worked on. It was worked on by a team of people and should have been released as of December 31st. It hasn't been released and he has been told that it's required to be by April 1st. That wasn't included in the resolution. He stated that he thinks some have acknowledged that the rollout of 5G could in essence be that small cell in the road right away utilizing the fiber. There are barriers to that around the fiber tax in the road right away. He wanted to get this resolution passed so it could get to InterCounty. If InterCounty were to develop more information and a more refined resolution, they can use one or the other.

RESOLUTION NO. 63-21

RESOLUTION URGING THE GOVERNOR AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO EXPAND BROADBAND AND RURAL CELLULAR COVERAGE TO ALL NEW YORKERS

DATED: MARCH 4, 2021

BY MR. WILT:

WHEREAS, Governor Andrew M. Cuomo has said broadband coverage is a priority for New York State, and

WHEREAS, in September, 2019, the Governor announced the Upstate Cellular Coverage Task Force, stating "every New Yorker should be able to access a stable cell connection, yet our

upstate regions have struggled for too long to make the connections that are vital to everyday life and commerce... Today we're leading the way forward by establishing a task force of cellular service experts, elected representatives and environmental advocates who will develop concrete policies and help to ensure service is provided and infrastructure for it is built in a sustainable way”, and

WHEREAS, maps developed by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) using Form 477 data are inaccurate and misrepresent the accessibility of broadband and cellular service and are referenced by the federal and state governments for funding purposes, and

WHEREAS, the FCC recently announced a \$99 million federal investment through the Rural Digital Opportunity Fund (RDOF) to deploy broadband technology to over 46,000 previously unserved locations in rural portions of upstate New York in the coming years, and

WHEREAS, the House of Representatives passed the Broadband Deployment Accuracy and Technology Availability Act, legislation which improves the accuracy of the FCC’s broadband availability maps by strengthening the process by which broadband data is collected. The Broadband DATA Act was signed into law on March 23rd, 2020, and

WHEREAS, based on newer and more accurate data gathered directly from schools, municipalities, and other organization, there are large gaps in broadband and rural cellular service across rural and upstate New York, contradicting FCC maps, and

WHEREAS, the FCC staff also determined that the Mobility Fund Phase II coverage maps submitted by certain carriers overstated actual coverage and did not reflect on-the-ground performance in many instances, and

WHEREAS, the FCC ultimately terminated the planned Mobility Fund Phase II auction and replace it with a 5G Fund for Rural America, using multi-round reverse auctions to distribute up to \$9 billion to bring voice and 5G broadband service to rural areas of our country that are unlikely to see unsubsidized deployment of 5G-capable networks, and

WHEREAS, New York State has also adopted legislation that enacted a right-of-way use and occupancy fee for any fiber optic cables located in or crossing a state-controlled right of way and authorized the New York State Department of Transportation (DOT) to enter fee-bearing permits with fiber optic installers, and

WHEREAS, understanding the financial constraints facing the State of New York, counties across the state endeavor to work with the State to incentivize the development of fiber connections in rural areas of the State, and

WHEREAS, our residents need access to reliable and affordable broadband and cellular service for school, employment, telehealth, and social aspects of life, and

WHEREAS, as we have seen in the face of this pandemic, broadband serves a vital need for breaking down the digital divide that creates groups of haves and have-nots within our state, and

WHEREAS, broadband and cellular access provides a critical public infrastructure need for New York residents, towns, municipalities, counties, emergency services, and more,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors calls upon Governor Cuomo, our Federal and State legislative delegations to work with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and local leaders and officials to deploy new broadband and cellular service maps in order to deploy the 5G Fund for Rural America as well as broadband infrastructure programs, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors asks the Governor and State Legislature to amend Section 24-e of the Highway Law and Section 7 of the Transportation Corporation Law to incentivize the deployment of fiber connectivity in rural and hard to serve regions of the State, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors asks the Governor and our Federal and State legislative delegations to work to ensure this vital economic development infrastructure need is available to all New Yorkers to prevent the further isolation of those in need, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, copies of this resolution be sent to the counties of New York State encouraging member counties to enact similar resolutions, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors shall forward copies of this resolution to Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, the New York State Legislature, the New York State Congressional Delegation, and all others deemed necessary and proper.

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. 64-21

**AMENDMENT TO RESOLUTION NO. 156-20 AUTHORIZING PUBLIC HEALTH
EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS COORDINATION CONTRACT**

DATED: MARCH 4, 2021

BY MR. TOMLINSON:

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 156-20 authorized a contract with Barbara Taylor for Public Health Emergency Preparedness Coordinator Services with funding from the New York State Department of Health through Health Research, Inc (HRI) for Public Health Emergency Preparedness and Response Grant activities, and

WHEREAS, due to the COVID Pandemic it is necessary to reallocate the grant funding to increase the contract for Public Health Emergency Preparedness Coordinator Services, be it

RESOLVED, that the contract with Barbara Taylor, 486 Kickerville Lane, Long Lake, NY, 12847 for Public Health Emergency Preparedness Coordinator Services for the term of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 with the rate of \$30.00 per hour be amended to increase the not to exceed amount from \$33,000 to \$43,000, plus mileage at the current IRS Rate, and be it further

RESOLVED, that upon the approval of the County Attorney the Chairman of the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized to sign said amendment and the Director of Public Health and the County Treasurer be so notified.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 65-21

**AUTHORIZING THE FULL TIME PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY
PREPAREDNESS AND HEALTH COORDINATOR**

DATED: MARCH 4, 2021

BY MR. TOMLINSON:

WHEREAS, there is a need to fill the Public Health Emergency Preparedness Coordinator position, and

WHEREAS, the Director of Public Health requests to transition the contract PHEP position to a full time Public Health Emergency Preparedness Coordinator, be it

RESOLVED, the position of Public Health Emergency Preparedness Coordinator is hereby created and will be funded by a future resolution and the County Treasurer, Personnel Officer and Public Health Director be so authorized.

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

AYES: WILT, STORTECKY, TOMLINSON, WELLS, FREY, BAIN, ARSENAULT,

FARBER AND MAURO

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 66-21

APPROVAL OF AUDITS IN COUNTY HIGHWAY FUNDS

DATED: MARCH 4, 2021

BY MR. WELLS:

RESOLVED, that the bills in the Machinery Fund amounting to \$126,512.89 and bills in the County Road Fund amounting to \$145,114.31 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. 67-21

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

DATED: MARCH 4, 2021

BY MR. FREY:

RESOLVED, that the bills audited this day in the County General Fund in the amount of \$174,021.25 by the following committees:

Public Works (Buildings) Committee.....	\$33,511.37
Public Works (Solid Waste) Committee	16,751.99
Finance Committee	44,654.42
Health Committee.....	28,844.14
Human Services Committee.....	22,943.94
Central Government Committee	9,042.65
Emergency Prep./Emergency Response.....	16,067.30
Publicity, Tourism, Economic Development & Planning Committee.....	985.74
Internal Management Committee	1,219.70

be it further

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

Halloween Storm Capital Project 2019-1.....\$ 7,400.00

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 lack of resolutions from some of the departments is not a reflection on how much work they have been doing and accomplished. It was a short month and they had a lot of resolutions in January and February.

Other Reports:

Mr. Wells: Stated that in regards to hazard pay he had gone back and done some research but didn't find anything concrete. The one commitment that he did find was the Board stating they would look into it. He has been looking into it as well as looking at other counties. Hazard pay isn't reimbursable like FEMA money. They had gone through a tough budget process with a gloom and doom forecast. Now the fact that they are even considering looking at hazard pay isn't going to make everyone happy. They didn't do it with the budget and it made everyone unhappy. He would rather stay with that for a year than make the changes in 2021 and have people think the Board goes back on what they say or do. He stated that he does appreciate everyone and what they do. They all deserve a living wage. They had started something in the budget process and they need to stick to it. He will be voting "NO" for any kind of hazard pay.

Mr. Frey: Thanked Mr. Wells for his comments and for digging into this. He stated that there were no easy answers. If the Board doesn't do anything in 2021, they need to look at the pay scales. When trying to bring in and replace certain positions they have found they are not in line in a lot of places. He still feels they should do something. Mr. Frey asked about having the Memorial Day Parade. Stated that if there was going to be one then they would need to start planning now. His American Legion Chair was asking and he asked if the Supervisors would reach out to their American Legions to see. His was leaning towards no but Mr. Frey made the very strong statement "*If we are able to the Town of Inlet itself was not opposed to hosting it.*" He isn't trying to force them to have one. As they get closer to summer, he feels very strongly that if they can they need to be putting on the best face right down to fireworks on the 4th of July. He is also very sensitive to the fact that if on Memorial Day it still isn't safe for the American Legion members to gather and join in the parade then that is the answer. The Chairman stated that a ZOOM meeting could be setup to have the conversation with Ms. Mahoney. He further discussed.

Mr. Wilt: Stated that he too had a lot of notes on hazard pay and he would be reaching out to Mr. Wells. He would like to sit down and look at the pros and cons. It is a hard one and doing nothing right now seems like the best option. He will be reaching out to Mr. Wells to see what his notes say. The Chairman stated that it was a great offer. He hopes that both of them will include Mr. Frey in the conversation since he is the Committee Chair.

Mr. Tomlinson: Expressed his appreciation to the Board for their support of Public Health.

Mr. Wilt: Asked the Chairman if he had heard that Texas went to the no mask requirement. The Chairman said he had. Mr. Wilt stated he was traveling to Texas that following week and he was just notified by the company he is going to that they have a mask requirement. So, it doesn't matter what the Governor says or does in every state. The people are used to the masks and starting to make decisions on their own. It is going to be hard to get back to normal. The Chairman stated that he agreed.

Mr. Tomlinson: Asked the Chairman if any towns had gone back to in-house meetings. Mr. Wilt stated that he does both. He is looking to go back to in-house fully that following month. He stated that they have the ability to social distance. Mr. Arsenault stated that Long Lake went back in June. Mr. Frey stated that Inlet went back in September but they limit the number of people that come in. Mr. Tomlinson asked if at some point the Board would be going back. Mr. Frey stated he would like to. The Chairman stated absolutely. Mr. Wilt stated that he thought the County could distance. The Chairman added and wear masks. Mr. Frey stated that a bunch of the Board will have had their second doses by then as well. Mr. Arsenault asked if there could be an air conditioner put in. The Chairman stated that they could talk to the Building department about that.

Mr. Stortecky: Stated since they were all in government, he had a short presentation but wanted to bring it up so everyone has heard and thought about it. Where they stand right now is a government and a nation. They will be hearing two words a lot more and he wanted to briefly go through what they are. The first word is equality. Equality is defined as the state or quality of being equal; correspondence in quantity, degree, value, rank or ability. It uses the example of promoting equality of opportunity in the workplace. So, equality in essence, forget the workplace, is promoting equality of opportunity. So, when they hear the word equality, they are talking about everyone regardless of background, race, color, creed having the same opportunities. That's the goal, the objective. The new word that they will be hearing a lot more about is equity. Equity is defined as quality of being fair or impartial. Fairness impartiality something that is fair and just. The example used is the equity of Solomon. In King Solomon's case he had two women come before him both claiming to be the mother of a child and he had to make a decision. He had to provide equity. He didn't know their backgrounds, diversity, social standings or anything else. But, in that decision he said in order to be equitable they would cut the baby in half. The true mother said no she would rather not have equity if it means killing the child. Give it to the other woman. That allowed King Solomon to realize who the true mother was. So, equity is now an equal outcome. That's what the word is going to mean going forward. So, when they hear the word equity being used more and more think about the baby.

Ms. Bain: Stated that she visited the County Clerk's Office to see the renovations. She thinks they are doing a great job. Everybody seems happy that things are moving along and she thinks it will be a big benefit for everyone in the office to work together.

The Chairman stated that he had a phone conversation with Assemblyman Smullen. They discussed the District Attorney's salary. It is still being worked on. There was a meeting earlier that week to discuss the efforts with respect to Police Reform and how to move that forward. The dates scheduled for Emergency Preparedness/Emergency Response Committee meetings to discuss are March 12th and 22nd. There is also a Special County Board Meeting scheduled for March 29th. There will be groups coming to present during these meetings. He and Sheriff Abrams will be meeting with RENZ Consulting to go over the training and assistance they can offer. They are rapidly reviewing both plans and surveys that others have done. They will be reaching out for public comment on this. There will be a separate email address set up so people can forward their comments. They will also be imposing on all of the Board to get the word out.

Mr. Frey: Thanked Public Health. He stated that the immunization clinic the night before was wonderful. The way they are going into the communities is seamless in his opinion. It is nice to see everyone working together. He feels that Hamilton County is once again leading the way. The Chairman went on to discuss the zip code specific vaccine pods. He stated that Hamilton County has consistently tried to put in place structures that try to prioritize our residents. He understands that when there is someone who is not eligible and they hear that this or that person was vaccinated it is frustrating. It is something that always begs a question and he hopes they can in a somewhat cohesive way explain that they are doing the best they can to make sure they stay laser focused on county residents. Hamilton County is trying to be a good neighbor. Public Health providers recognize the impervious nature of our borders. He knows that people are hearing these questions so he wanted them to know that it is not because they are being insensitive to those questions. It is nothing other than they are passionate about getting their people vaccinated as fast as they can. He was hoping this was helpful information just in case they get confronted with similar questions.

As there was no further business, motion to adjourn by Mr. Mauro, seconded by Ms. Bain. Carried.