

**2022**

**FIFTH SESSION**

**MAY 5, 2022**

The Board convened at 10:30 A.M. in the Supervisors' Chambers at the Court House, Lake Pleasant, New York, with the Chairman, Brian E. Wells presiding. Mr. Wells 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	Chris D. Rhodes
Benson	Phillip C. Snyder
Hope	ABSENT
Indian Lake	Brian Wells
Inlet	ABSENT
Lake Pleasant	Betsy A. Bain
Long Lake	Clay J. Arsenault
Morehouse	William G. Farber
Wells	Nick Mauro

Also present: County Attorney, Beth Hunt-Treasurer, Barry Baker-Real Property Tax Director/Budget Officer, Tracy Eldridge-Highway Superintendent and Kimberly Byrne-Personnel Officer

A motion was made to accept the minutes of April 7<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022 by Mr. Mauro, seconded by Ms. Bain. Carried.

Public Comment: No one present

The Chairman introduced Hamilton County District Attorney Christopher Shambo.

During the DA's department update he discussed legislative changes to discovery and Bail Reform and how they both have affected his office directly. He stated that the turnaround time currently for discovery is 35 days. He discussed that during COVID his office slowed down; that there wasn't as much law enforcement as well as arrests. He also stated how he reduced his budget at budget time because of the uncertainties of COVID and that his ADA, at that time, resigned. He discussed how Troop B and G for the NYS Police now have body cameras and how that adds to the discovery process. He further discussed how the caseload has changed with the lessening of restrictions around COVID. He stated how Indian Lake was his busiest court and how he had asked for additional staff during budget time. He discussed his staff and how he was absolutely blessed to have his current ADA, Susan Hartmann. He stated that there are 1 or 2 DWIs every week as well as a lot of larcenies. He recently asked for the Chairman's approval to increase the ADA's compensatory time up to 80 hours. One of the reasons was because of the time it takes to review body camera footage. He stated that even a simple DWI could be about 10 hours of footage

or more because sometimes there are two officers. He would like to hire an additional ADA. He asked that if the Board has any questions about his office to please call or visit him. He believes that the Sheriff's Office has a grant application in to get updated body cameras. That too would add an additional burden on his office. He stated that as a general rule if something was in possession of law enforcement it would be considered to be in possession of his office and that he is considered the head law enforcement individual for the County. He stated how the area was known for new NYS Troopers. If they aren't in compliance and cases get dismissed it reflects poorly on him. He stated that things have changed since the last DA was in office. He feels there isn't a complete understanding of what has changed and how the previous DA even needed to submit a letter for approval of additional compensatory time for her ADA. He stated how he really needs help. The Chairman asked if he was looking for another fulltime ADA or part-time. The DA stated that he would take what he could get. He discussed that being here, he wasn't sure who would apply. He thought that Saratoga County started the ADAs at \$92,000 and how in his meetings with DASNY he has learned that every office is looking for attorneys. The Chairman asked the DA if he had a monthly report of his cases. The Chairman stated that the Board needs to balance the amount of work he is claiming to have against a budget increase. There needs to be information. The DA stated that he appreciates the dialect and feels there hasn't been any. He stated that the office keeps old school records and that he could get the Board numbers.

The DA thanked the Board for allowing him time to come in. He stated how the NYS Troopers in Indian Lake stop in his office to visit and he welcomed the Board to do the same.

The District Attorney left the meeting at 11AM.

A motion was made at 11AM to open the Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law 9 of 2022 – Authorizing the Lease of Property in the Town of Long Lake Owned by Cedar Heights Timber, LLC. by Mr. Arsenault, seconded by Mr. Farber. Carried.

The County Attorney stated that the local law was to approve a lease longer than 5 years.

Mr. Farber asked if they had heard anything back about the parking area. Mr. Arsenault stated that he hadn't. He discussed there being a Hamilton County Fire Tower Challenge Map and would like to add Buck Mountain if agreement is signed. The County Attorney stated that there were a couple issues but he had spoken with the landowner's attorney and thought they had worked them out.

Reports of Standing/Special Committees:

Mr. Farber: Stated that during the biweekly call C&S Engineers and Jill Dunham, Emergency Services Director, updated them on where they were with all the tower projects. They were waiting on a part to get the Wells Tower online. They are making progress around the Hope location in terms of talking with Blue Sky. The balloon test for Morehouse location had been pushed back to the following day. The Arietta location is moving forward with the design. There are a couple of questions with respect to how they work out the final language for NYSEG Tower. He stated that he wasn't very optimistic about Cathead Mountain. The environmental group didn't like any of the language because it was less restrictive than they hoped for and the club wasn't satisfied either. Their attorney wrote a letter to the two Legislators.

Mr. Mauro: Stated he had spoken with Judge Morrison, President of the Magistrate's Association, and emailed Judge Coffinger, Hamilton County Court Judge in regards to the 2022 Court Consolidation Proposal. Judge Coffinger's return email stated that they didn't need to take any action. It would not affect the Town and Village Courts. Their meeting is scheduled for tomorrow and he thinks he will have an update from Judge Morrison.

Mr. Rhodes: Stated that Christy Wilt was working on a SCC Grant for Broadband in Lower Arietta. She is also advertising for the Tower Challenge.

The Chairman introduced Congresswoman Stefanik (via ZOOM).

Congresswoman Stefanik stated how they try to do updates with all the county elected officials across the district. She started by discussing redistricting. They won the court case where New Yorkers were challenging the redistricting lines and how the lines will now be drawn by a special map master. She stated that there was a new process for Congressional Directed Spending. This was the first time where they had appropriated direct line items and this past year, they successfully delivered all 10 prioritized projects. She would have Jonathan Carmen, District Manager, send the Board the information. They had just closed the application process for 2022 and many of the counties had submitted an application. She wanted to flag that as we are thinking about the priorities for the coming year and she would like to make sure Hamilton County is a part of that process. She stated the issues that she had been hearing - inflation, labor crisis, gas & energy prices and rural broadband.

She stated that this was a way she could hear from Hamilton County so she could be aware of what Hamilton County is focused on. The Chairman thanked her for all her email updates and thanked her for all that she does. Mr. Farber suggested that they schedule Mr. Carmen to meet with the Board. They have worked a lot on broadband and cellular and there isn't as much flexible money around cellular. It does look like FCC is going to be moving some of that. He stated that he had a good meeting with NACO and FCC discussing the idea of them moving money out to some of the areas while the map appeal is still going on. Congresswoman stated that it was a great idea and a real opportunity for Hamilton County.

Mr. Rhodes stated that they are applying for a FCC grant for lower Arietta which has no cellular service. They have several students from the Wells School District living there and are looking to get funding for broadband for those families as well as one business. He asked for Congresswoman Stefanik's support. The Congresswoman asked for him to flag that for Mr. Carmen. She also stated she was going to be at a meeting with one of the FCC Commissioners and wanted to make sure she flagged it for him as well. She stated that she would absolutely advocate for that. The Chairman thanked her for reaching out. The Congresswoman stated that they could always contact her, that she would follow up on those items for Hamilton County and thanked them for all that they do. The Congresswoman left the meeting at this time.

Reports of Standing/Special Committees: *(continued)*

Mr. Snyder: Stated that the information from Beth Hunt, Treasurer, regarding Opioid settlement

funds was on the Board's desks. The Board needs to decide how to spend it. Mr. Farber stated that there was a number of departments that this funding was available to and he feels there should be a conversation among all of them together.

Ms. Bain: Stated that there was a Health Committee meeting earlier this morning with Erica Mahoney, Public Health Director. After their discussion they decided that Ms. Mahoney needed to fill out a civil service job classification questionnaire as well as have one of the employees fill out a form to evaluate her position. The form was so the Board could see what she was doing now compared to what she was hired for as a medical records clerk. Once the paperwork is submitted the Committee would be meeting again.

County Attorney: Discussed the back taxes resolution that was on April's agenda. He asked Ms. Hunt if it was on the current foreclosure list or the judgement. Ms. Hunt stated it was on the judgement. The County Attorney asked if there was a different administrative fee if it has gone to judgement. Mr. Farber stated yes there was. The County Attorney stated that was what he thought. Ms. Hunt stated that she is expecting the payment that day and then she would be doing a letter to get the property off. Mr. Farber asked where the County was in the process. Ms. Hunt stated that this was with the Judge and not in the County's name yet. Mr. Farber discussed another situation where a property was further in the process and the liens were extinguished and then the family reached out to pay the back taxes.

RESOLUTIONS:

**RESOLUTION NO. 144-22**

**AUTHORIZING A COLLEGE STUDENT INTERNSHIP WITH THE HAMILTON COUNTY TREASURER'S OFFICE**

**DATED: MAY 5, 2022**

**BY MR. RHODES:**

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Treasurer has been contacted concerning an internship at Hamilton County by Camryn Brenan, who is presently a student at Wells College studying political science and pre-law, and

WHEREAS, the Treasurer feels there would be a mutual benefit to all parties to have an intern for this summer, and

WHEREAS, the Treasurer has funds in Account No. A1325.0108 Additional hours and would like to offer a stipend of \$500 to be paid at the end of the internship through payroll, be it

RESOLVED, that Camryn Brenan of Wells be allowed to intern with Hamilton County for the 2022 summer as a temporary employee, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Personnel Officer, County Treasurer and Clerk of the Board be so notified.

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

AYES: RHODES, SNYDER, WELLS, BAIN, ARSENAULT, FARBER AND MAURO

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: TOMLINSON AND FREY

**RESOLUTION NO. 145-22**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF ANNUAL GIS APPLICATION  
HOSTING OF THE HOMS WEB APPLICATION (HAMCOMAPS.NET)**

**DATED: MAY 5, 2022**

**BY MR. RHODES:**

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors initially authorized the original agreement with Fountains Spatial, Inc., for hosting and maintaining the server based County GIS Mapping application known as HAMCOMAPS.NET, and

WHEREAS, Fountains Spatial, Inc., has continued to host, maintain and modify the HOMS application through coordination with the Hamilton County Real Property Tax Services Agency since the inception in 2010, and

WHEREAS, on 2016 Fountains Spatial, Inc., merged operations with VHB, an engineering firm with offices in Albany, NY, and VHB will continue to provide the same service level agreements and application hosting to Hamilton County on a year to year basis going forward, and the Real Property Tax Services Agency recommends the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors renew the annual hosting agreement with VHB for 2022, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the renewal of a 1 year annual plan agreement (commencing January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022) with VHB, of 100 Great Oaks Boulevard, Albany, NY, and payment of the annual fee of \$6,000 (Six Thousand Dollars) in quarterly payments of \$1,500 (Fifteen Hundred Dollars) for hosting the Hamilton County Online Mapping System (HOMS) a.k.a HAMCOMAPS.NET.

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

AYES: RHODES, SNYDER, WELLS, BAIN, ARSENAULT, FARBER AND MAURO

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: TOMLINSON AND FREY

**RESOLUTION NO. 146-22**

**PROCLAMATION  
HONORING CATHLEEN E. ROGERS**

**DATED: MAY 5, 2022**

**BY MR. MAURO:**

WHEREAS, Cathleen E. Rogers worked as a County Employee very faithfully since 1991 as the Democratic Election Commissioner in the Board of Elections Department, after serving in that capacity for thirty one years,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors, on behalf of the citizens of Hamilton County and fellow employees, commends and congratulates Cathleen E. Rogers on her retirement, and

BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED, that the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors expresses its appreciation to Cathleen E. Rogers for her years of dedicated service as a Hamilton County employee.

Seconded by ALL and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: RHODES, SNYDER, WELLS, BAIN, ARSENAULT, FARBER AND MAURO

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: TOMLINSON AND FREY

After the following resolution was placed on the floor; Mr. Mauro asked if the resolution could be tabled. He would like the opportunity to review more. There have been questions regarding hours and pay for the number of hours they work. Mr. Farber asked the County Attorney to review the law on the County's role in that. He thought that the State law was amended a few years prior when the issue came up specific to Hamilton County and the Legislature might have added to it. The County Attorney stated that he wished the question was presented to him prior but if in fact the matter is tabled, he could give a report prior to the next meeting. Mr. Farber stated that the recommendation was received on April 25<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Mauro stated that they could have a Special Session on May 23<sup>rd</sup> and still be within the 30 days. Mr. Mauro made a motion to table, seconded by Ms. Bain. Motion Carried. Mr. Arsenault asked why this was tabled. Mr. Mauro stated that it was to look through it more thoroughly. Mr. Arsenault asked if the Board would have to roll back the individual that is already in there. Mr. Farber stated that there is more to ask the County Attorney. In addition to what the County's role is there also seems to be conversation about whether or not they can make adjustments to salary during both the fiscal year and the term of an Election Commissioner. The County Attorney asked if the Board was suggesting that they wish

to pay the Commissioner's a different rate. Mr. Mauro stated that they need to look at how much time they are actually spending doing the work. The County Attorney asked how the Board would get that information between then and the next meeting. Mr. Arsenault asked how they would roll back someone who is already in there making that rate of pay. Mr. Rhodes asked if they could within the term. The Chairman stated that the resolution was tabled so there is room for some discussion and be able to act on it before anything has to happen. The County Attorney stated that he would look at it.

**TABLED**

**RESOLUTION NO.**

**APPOINTMENT OF JADE SHERMAN AS DEMOCRATIC COMMISSIONER OF ELECTIONS**

**DATED: MAY 5, 2022**

**BY MR. ARSENAULT:**

WHEREAS, this Board has received a recommendation from the Hamilton County Democratic Committee, in accordance with the provisions of Section 3-204 sub 5 of the Election Law, to appoint Jade Sherman a resident and qualified voter of the Town of Wells, Democratic Commissioner of Elections, to fill a vacancy, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the recommendation be accepted and Jade Sherman is hereby appointed as Democratic Commissioner of Elections to fill a vacancy for a term beginning May 25, 2022 and ending December 31, 2024, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the annual salary of the Democratic Commissioner of Elections is hereby set at \$54,537.00 on an annual prorated basis for the remainder of 2022 and the annual salary be set by Local Law at budget time each year payable in bi-weekly installments and the County Treasurer and Personnel Officer be so advised.

Seconded by Mr. Rhodes.

Tabled by Mr. Mauro, seconded by Ms. Bain.

After the following resolution was placed on the floor; Mr. Arsenault thanked everyone for coming in early to discuss the resolution and he feels that it was a change for the better. The Chairman stated that there was one addition. Where the resolution reads *When "ECCH" are used, such time will not be included as time worked for the purpose of computing overtime.* It should be *When "ECCH" are earned and used, such time will not be included as time worked for the purpose of computing overtime.* He stated that it was discussed in Committee and with the agreement it will be added. Motion and seconder approve.

**RESOLUTION NO. 147-22**

## **ADOPTION OF CHANGES TO HAMILTON COUNTY EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK**

**DATED: MAY 5, 2022**

**BY MR. ARSENAULT:**

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors closed the County facilities on February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022 and April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022 due to extraordinary weather conditions, and

WHEREAS, after reviewing the Hamilton County Handbook regarding emergency situations and closing procedures, the Board of Supervisors determined there was a need to edit and replace the policy, and

WHEREAS, after reviewing the emergency situations policy the Board of Supervisors has recommended editing the prior to reporting to work section, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has recommended replacing the prior to reporting to work section in the employee handbook, be it

RESOLVED, that Section 503 Emergency Situations – Prior to Reporting to Work section be edited from:

If a determination is made to close operations prior to the start of a workday, the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors will initiate notification to all affected employees. An employee who is directed not to report to work due to an emergency closing will not be paid for that workday. The employee may charge such absence to available vacation leave, compensatory time or personal leave credits or make up the time at a later date if agreed to by the Department Head, be it further

RESOLVED, that Section 503 Emergency Situations – Prior to Reporting to Work section be replaced with:

If a determination is made to close operations prior to the start of a workday, the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors will initiate notification to all affected employees. A full-time or part-time employee who is directed not to report to work due to an emergency closing will be paid for the employee's normal workday at the employee's regular rate of pay for that day. Such time will not be included as time worked for the purpose of computing overtime.

If a full-time or part-time employee is directed to report to work during the emergency closing, they will be provided with "Emergency Closing Credit Hours (ECCH)" for the hours they worked that day, but in no circumstance more than their standard work day (7 hours, 8 hours, etc.). If an employee worked more than their standard work day, they will be compensated for those hours through their department's payroll. When "ECCH" are earned and used, such time will not be included as time worked for the purpose of computing overtime. The "ECCH" must be used by the end of the year in which it is earned or within 30 days, if earned in December. An employee

who has previously scheduled a paid leave day must still charge the absence for the day to the appropriate paid leave, and be it further

RESOLVED, the policy is changed effective February 4, 2022, when the County first closed due to extraordinary weather conditions, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Personnel Officer is hereby authorized to disseminate the changes to all employees and that a certified copy of this resolution be provided to the Hamilton County Personnel Officer.

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

AYES: RHODES, SNYDER, WELLS, BAIN, ARSENAULT, FARBER AND MAURO

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: TOMLINSON AND FREY

**RESOLUTION NO. 148-22**

**AUTHORIZING THE IMPLEMENTATION AND FUNDING COSTS OF A  
TRANSPORTATION PROJECT, WHICH MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR FEDERAL-AID  
AND/OR STATE-AID, OR REIMBURSEMENT FROM BRIDGE NY FUNDS**

**DATED: MAY 5, 2022**

**BY MR. RHODES:**

WHEREAS, a Project for the Bridge NY 2021: County Road 4 Over Big Brook (BIN 3307240), Bridge Replacement, Town of Indian Lake, Hamilton County, P.I.N. 2754.69.121 (the Project") is eligible for funding under Title 23 U.S. Code, as amended, that calls for the apportionment of the costs such program to be borne at the ratio of 95% Federal funds and 5% non-federal funds; and

WHEREAS, the Sponsor will design, let and construct the "project", and

WHEREAS, the County of Hamilton desires to advance the Project by making a commitment of 100% of the costs of the work for The Project or portions thereof, with the understanding that qualified costs may be eligible for federal-aid, state-aid, or reimbursement from Bridge NY funds, be it

RESOLVED, that the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the County of Hamilton to pay in the first instance 100% of the federal and non-federal share of the cost of The Project work for the Project or portions thereof, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors hereby agrees that the County of Hamilton shall be responsible for all cost of the project which exceed the amount of the NY Bridge Funding awarded to the County of Hamilton, be it further

RESOLVED, that the sum of \$2,328,284.70.00 is hereby appropriated from Unappropriated County Road Fund Balance in accordance with Section 366 Subdivision 1 of the County Law and made available to cover the cost of participation in the above phase of the Project, be it further

RESOLVED, that in the event the full federal and non-federal share costs of the project exceeds the amount appropriated above, the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors shall convene as soon as possible to appropriate said excess amount immediately upon the notification by the New York State Department of Transportation thereof, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors hereby agrees that construction of the Project shall begin no later than twenty-four (24) months after award and that the project shall be completed within thirty (30) months of commencing construction, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors be and is hereby authorized to execute all necessary Agreements, certifications or reimbursement requests for Federal Aid and/or State-Aid on behalf of the County of Hamilton with the New York State Department of Transportation in connection with the advancement or approval of the Project and providing for the administration of the Project and the municipality's first instance funding of project costs and permanent funding of the local share of federal-aid and state-aid eligible Project costs and all Project costs within appropriations therefore that are not so eligible, be it further

RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be filed with the New York State Commissioner of Transportation by attaching it to any necessary Agreement in connection with the Project, be it further

RESOLVED, this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

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

AYES: RHODES, SNYDER, WELLS, BAIN, ARSENAULT, FARBER AND MAURO

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: TOMLINSON AND FREY

**RESOLUTION NO. 149-22**

**AWARD OF BIDS FOR STONE, SAND AND GRAVEL ITEMS FOR 2022**

**DATED: MAY 5, 2022**

**BY MR. SNYDER:**

WHEREAS, Hamilton County DPW solicited bids for purchase of Stone, Sand and Gravel Items for 2022, pursuant to invitation to bidders and in accordance with Specification No. 3-2022, dated April 25, 2022, and

WHEREAS, eight (8) bids were received in response to the said invitation to bidders, as on file with the Clerk of the Board, be it

RESOLVED, that all bids for Stone, Sand and Gravel Items for 2022 be accepted and awards made wherever hauling and loading expense and quality of product is most advantageous to the Hamilton County DPW as determined by the County Highway Superintendent and the Clerk of the Board and County Treasurer be so notified.

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

AYES: RHODES, SNYDER, WELLS, BAIN, ARSENAULT, FARBER AND MAURO

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: TOMLINSON AND FREY

**RESOLUTION NO. 150-22**

**ACCEPTANCE OF BIDS FOR EQUIPMENT RENTAL WITH AND WITHOUT  
OPERATOR FOR 2022**

**DATED: MAY 5, 2022**

**BY MR. ARSENAULT:**

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. 4-2022, and

WHEREAS, four (4) 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 25, 2022, Spec. No. 4-2022, 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 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: RHODES, SNYDER, WELLS, BAIN, ARSENAULT, FARBER AND MAURO

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: TOMLINSON AND FREY

**RESOLUTION NO. 151-22**

**AMENDING AMOUNT OF 2022 BUDGET APPROPRIATION FOR CAPITAL ROAD PROJECTS**

**DATED: MAY 5, 2022**

**BY MS. BAIN:**

WHEREAS, the budget appropriation amount for Capital Road Projects for 2022 was set and adopted for \$1,071,332.96 for Account No. 5112.0202 Capital Projects, and

WHEREAS, that amount is estimated by the County Highway Superintendent in September of the previous year based on previous allocations of State CHIPS funding for highway projects and the actual amount is set after the State Budget is adopted, and

WHEREAS, the actual adopted State Budget for 2022 – 2023 for Hamilton County from the state CHIPS, Pave NY, Extreme Weather Recovery (EWR) and Pave Our Potholes (POP) funds for the State fiscal year 2022 - 2023 is set at \$1,206,246.65, and

WHEREAS, the County Highway Superintendent recommends that the County Board of Supervisors amend the 2022 appropriation for capital projects from \$1,071,332.96 to \$1,206,246.65 for 2022 County Highway Projects for 2022, be it

RESOLVED, that the 2022 budget appropriation for Capital Road Projects Account No. 5112.0202 be amended from \$1,071,332.96 to \$1,206,246.65 and also increase Revenue Account No.D3501.0 Consolidated Highway Aid from \$1,071,332.96 to \$1,206,246.65 and the County Treasurer and Clerk of the Board be so notified.

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

AYES: RHODES, SNYDER, WELLS, BAIN, ARSENAULT, FARBER AND MAURO

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: TOMLINSON AND FREY

**RESOLUTION NO. 152-22**

**ACCEPTANCE OF BID FOR READY MIX CONCRETE DELIVERED AND APPLIED  
AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS WITHIN HAMILTON COUNTY 2022**

**DATED: MAY 5, 2022**

**BY MR. SNYDER:**

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. 5-2022, and

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

- (1) Miller’s Ready Mix Concrete and Block  
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	\$ 177.50	Lake Pleasant	\$ 159.00
Benson	\$ 140.50	Long Lake	\$ N/B
Hope	\$ 140.50	Morehouse	\$ 181.50
Indian Lake	\$ 181.50	Wells	\$ 146.50
Inlet	\$ N/B		

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

Total delivered price per cubic yard to the following towns:

Arietta	\$ 177.50	Lake Pleasant	\$ 159.00
Benson	\$ 140.50	Long Lake	\$ N/B
Hope	\$ 140.50	Morehouse	\$ 181.50
Indian Lake	\$ 181.50	Wells	\$ 146.50
Inlet	\$ N/B		

be it

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

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

**AYES: RHODES, SNYDER, WELLS, BAIN, ARSENAULT, FARBER AND MAURO**

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: TOMLINSON AND FREY

After the following resolution was placed on the floor; Mr. Farber asked if that was a decent price. Tracy Eldridge, Highway Superintendent, stated that it was fairly reasonable. He had reached out to see if they wanted to extend their bid and he was told they couldn't for those prices. The new bid came in not much different.

**RESOLUTION NO. 153-22**

**AWARD OF BID FOR PAVEMENT MARKING 2022**

**DATED: MAY 5, 2022**

**BY MR. ARSENAULT:**

WHEREAS, one (1) bid was received for Pavement Markings for 2022 in accordance with Specification No. 2-2022, dated April 25, 2022, as advertised by the County Highway Superintendent, and

WHEREAS, the following bid was received:

1. Seneca Pavement Markings  
3526 Watkins Rd.  
Horseheads, NY 14845

Pavement Markings -

Mobilization Fee into County	\$750.00
Centerline application including materials per mile	\$485.00
Edgeline application including materials per mile/per side	\$296.00
Yellow traffic line paint per gallon	\$ 11.50
White traffic line paint per gallon	\$ 12.00
Reflectorized Glass Beads per pound	\$ .425

Pavement Symbols & Letters -

Stop Bars 18" wide	\$ 5.00 Per Foot
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and

WHEREAS, the County Highway Superintendent recommends the award be made to the low bidder for each item, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that award be made for Pavement Markings to Seneca Pavement Markings of Horseheads, NY and the Superintendent, Treasurer and Clerk of the Board be so advised.

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

AYES: RHODES, SNYDER, WELLS, BAIN, ARSENAULT, FARBER AND MAURO

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: TOMLINSON AND FREY

**RESOLUTION NO. 154-22**

**AUTHORIZING REPAIRS TO GRADALL #301**

**DATED: MAY 5, 2022**

**BY MR. RHODES:**

WHEREAS, the County DPW owns a 2007 Gradall 3100XL hydraulic wheeled excavator that is need of repair to the main boom, and

WHEREAS, the main boom needs the inner rollers replaced, and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent had the said Gradall taken to Alta Equipment Company, a Gradall dealer to receive a written quote to make the said repairs to the boom, and

WHEREAS, in order to get the estimate the dealer needed to disassemble part of the boom to access if any other repairs are needed, and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent has received the written estimate to have the boom work done at a cost of \$10,511.23, be it

RESOLVED, that hereby the DPW Superintendent is authorized to have the said repairs made to Gradall #301 for the estimated cost of \$10,511.23 by Alta Equipment Company in Albany and the DPW Superintendent, County Treasurer and Clerk of the Board be so notified.

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

AYES: RHODES, SNYDER, WELLS, BAIN, ARSENAULT, FARBER AND MAURO

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: TOMLINSON AND FREY

**RESOLUTION NO. 155-22**

**AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO TRACEY ROAD EQUIPMENT, INC. FOR ROAD  
TRACTOR - DPW**

**DATED: MAY 5, 2022**

**BY MR. MAURO:**

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 110-22 authorizes the DPW Superintendent to purchase a one (1) 2022 Freightliner Coronado road tractor for use by DPW, and

WHEREAS, the said tractor ordered was delivered, and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent has inspected the said tractor and it meets specification and recommends payment of the tractor, be it

RESOLVED, the County Treasurer is hereby authorized to make payment to Tracey Road Equipment, Inc., 6803 Manlius Center Road, East Syracuse, NY 13057 in the amount of \$163,110.72 and the funds to be taken out of Account No. DM5130.0201 Road Equipment for the DPW and the County Highway Superintendent and the Clerk of the Board be so notified.

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

AYES: RHODES, SNYDER, WELLS, BAIN, ARSENAULT, FARBER AND MAURO

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: TOMLINSON AND FREY

**RESOLUTION NO. 156-22**

**AUTHORIZING PURCHASE FOR WELDER/GENERATOR/COMPRESSOR  
COMBINATION FOR DPW**

**DATED: MAY 5, 2022**

**BY MS. BAIN:**

WHEREAS, the DPW is need of a welder, generator and air compressor for a service vehicle, and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent has found a combination welder/generator/compressor unit, and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent feels this combination unit is the most practical as there is only one gasoline engine to maintain rather than two engines and less expensive than purchasing separate units, and

WHEREAS, W. W. Grainger has the said combination welder/generator/compressor under New York State Contract Award #22918, Vendor #1000009167 in the amount of \$10,039.48, and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent recommends the purchase of one (1) Speed-Aire Welder/Generator/Compressor for use in a DPW service vehicle, be it

RESOLVED, that the Fleet Coordinator is hereby authorized to order one (1) Speed-Aire Combination welder/generator/compressor for the DPW mentioned herein for a total of \$10,039.48 delivered from W. W. Grainger and it will be a charge to Account No. DM5130.0201 Equipment and the DPW Superintendent, County Treasurer and the Clerk of the Board be so notified.

Seconded by Mauro and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: RHODES, SNYDER, WELLS, BAIN, ARSENAULT, FARBER AND MAURO

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: TOMLINSON AND FREY

**RESOLUTION NO. 157-22**

**APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES FOR CONSTRUCTION OF COUNTY ROAD FUND PROJECTS FOR 2022**

**DATED: MAY 5, 2022**

**BY MR. SNYDER:**

WHEREAS, there has been appropriated in the 2022 highway budget the sum of \$1,206,246.65 for the construction of County Road Fund Projects for 2022 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 \$950,000.00 for the construction of the following projects:

COUNTY ROAD PROJECT NO. 1 Town of Indian Lake  
Co. Rd. No. 4 – Big Brook Rd., Improve drainage, recycle base and HMA Base @ 20 ft.  
Approx. 1.4 miles.....\$350,000.00  
Account No. D5112.2531

COUNTY ROAD PROJECT NO. 2 Town of Hope  
Co. Rd No. 15 – Old Northville Road, HMA overlay B&T @ 20 ft.

Approx. 1.2 miles.....\$300,000.00  
Account No. 5112.2532

COUNTY ROAD PROJECT NO. 3 Town of Indian Lake  
Co. Rd No. 12 – Cedar River Road, Improve drainage, recycle base and HMA B&T @ 20 ft.  
Approx. 1.0 mile.....\$300,000.00  
Account No. 5112.2533

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. D5112.0202 Capital projects, the sum of \$950,000.00, 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. Farber and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: RHODES, SNYDER, WELLS, BAIN, ARSENAULT, FARBER AND MAURO

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: TOMLINSON AND FREY

**RESOLUTION NO. 158-22**

**APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES FOR PAVEMENT MAINTENANCE ON VARIOUS  
COUNTY ROADS 2022**

**DATED: MAY 5, 2022**

**BY MR. RHODES:**

WHEREAS, there has been appropriated in the 2022 highway budget the sum of \$250,000.00 for HMA 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 7, Hope Falls Road, Town of Hope

Approx. 2.0 mile .....	Est.....	\$120,000.00
County Route 3 – North Point Road, Town of Long Lake		
Approx. 2.3 miles.....	Est.....	\$130,000.00
Total estimate for all mileage		\$250,000.00

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. D5110.0404 Asphalt and Emulsion in the estimated amount sum of \$250,000.00 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: RHODES, SNYDER, WELLS, BAIN, ARSENAULT, FARBER AND MAURO

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: TOMLINSON AND FREY

A motion was made at 11:45AM to close the Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law 9 of 2022 – Authorizing the Lease of Property in the Town of Long Lake Owned by Cedar Heights Timber, LLC. by Mr. Farber, seconded by Mr. Arsenault. Carried.

The Chairman called for a motion to adopt Local Law No. 9 of 2022 Authorizing the Lease of Property in the Town of Long Lake Owned by Cedar Heights Timber, LLC.

The Chairman thanked everyone involved and thought this was going to be a good project in the Town of Long Lake.

Motion: Mr. Farber  
Second: Mr. Arsenault

**LOCAL LAW No. 9 of 2022**

**LOCAL LAW AUTHORIZING THE LEASE OF**

**PROPERTY IN THE TOWN OF LONG LAKE OWNED  
BY CEDAR HEIGHTS TIMBER, LLC**

WHEREAS, in the Town of Long Lake, on lands owned by Cedar Heights Timber, LLC exists the Buck Mt. Fire Tower, and

WHEREAS, Hamilton County has a very successful Fire Tower Challenge, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Long Lake wants to add this Fire Tower to the existing Fire Tower Challenge, and

WHEREAS, Cedar Heights Timber, LLC is willing to enter into a 10 year agreement to open the Fire Tower to the public, and

WHEREAS, Hamilton County possesses or has access to the resources and partners to implement this project, now, therefore,

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF HAMILTON, AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. Cedar Heights Timber, LLC is the owner of property located in the Town of Long Lake by virtue of a deed from Lyme Adirondack Timberlands 1, LLC dated September 17, 2010 and recorded in the Hamilton County Clerk's Office on September 21, 2010 in Book of Deeds 251 at Page 504, being Tax Map Parcel No. 10.000-1-7.100.

Section 2. Cedar Heights Timber, LLC has agreed to lease to the County of Hamilton and to the Town of Long Lake a portion of the foregoing property including parking lot, trails and lands including a fire tower, being the historic Buck Mountain Fire Tower.

Section 3. The term of the proposed lease is ten (10) years.

Section 4. An analysis of the potential environmental impacts of the said lease, if any, has been done under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA); the County of Hamilton authorized and directed the Town of Long Lake to act as lead agency. The Town of Long Lake determined the proposed action constitutes a Type II action, which determination the County of Hamilton ratifies and confirms.

Section 5. This Local Law is enacted to amend and supercede County Law Section 215(3) so as to authorize the County of Hamilton to enter into a lease of private property identified and as set forth hereinbefore, the purpose of superceding County Law Section 215 is to authorize the County to enter into a lease for a term exceeding five (5) years.

Section 6. The Chairman of the Board of Supervisors is authorized to enter into any and all agreements and execute all documents deemed necessary by the County Attorney for the lease of the above-described property from Cedar Heights Timber, LLC for a period of ten (10) years.

Section 7. This Local Law shall take effect upon filing in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Home Rule Law of the State of New York

AYES: ARIETTA (292), BENSON (221), INDIAN LAKE (1,363) LAKE PLEASANT (897), LONG LAKE (791), MOREHOUSE (92), WELLS (683) = 4,339

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: HOPE (413), INLET (355) = 768

After the following resolution was placed on the floor; Mr. Arsenault thanked everyone for their support, Mr. Farber's hard work in getting them there, the County Attorney for his work on the legalities and logistics with the Town Attorney and lastly to Mr. Eldridge for his help and support. He stated that this was going to be a really neat project.

**RESOLUTION NO. 159-22**

**ADDITION OF THE BUCK MT. FIRE TOWER TO THE HAMILTON COUNTY FIRE TOWER CHALLENGE**

**DATED: MAY 5, 2022**

**BY MR. ARSENAULT:**

WHEREAS, in the Town of Long Lake, on lands owned by Cedar Heights Timber, LLC exists the Buck Mt. Fire Tower, and

WHEREAS, Hamilton County has a very successful Fire Tower Challenge, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Long Lake wants to add this Fire Tower to the existing Fire Tower Challenge, and

WHEREAS, Cedar Heights Timber, LLC is willing to enter into a 10 year agreement to open the Fire Tower to the public, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Long Lake has acted as lead agency for a State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) review of the recreation project and determined such project including parking lot, trail construction, and tower reuse constitute a Type II action, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Long Lake has proposed execution of an intermunicipal agreement with the County of Hamilton pursuant to Article 5-G of the General Municipal Law detailing the project responsibilities, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Hamilton hereby confirms the actions of the Town of Long Lake acting as lead agency for said SEQRA review of said

recreation project, and further confirms the Type II action finding and determination, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Hamilton authorizes the Chairman, with the approval of the County Attorney, to enter into an intermunicipal agreement with the Town of Long Lake, pursuant to Article 5-G of the General Municipal Law, therein setting forth the responsibilities of the County and the Town with respect to said recreation project, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized to enter into a 10 year access agreement with Cedar Heights Timber, LLC, with the approval of the County Attorney, and based on the following:

- Cedar Heights Timber, LLC/Finch Forest Management will have proposed South Sabattis Road Parking Area cleared and stumped (Tom Donnelly Logging of Long Lake to do the job).
- Hamilton County will assist with trucking of gravel from CHT-Campus Pit to cover Parking Area (Tom Donnelly to grade).
- Hamilton County will assist with trucking of Cobb rock from Mitchell's Tahawus Mine to Parking Area for top cover (Tom Donnelly to grade).
- Hamilton County will coordinate/contract with Adirondack Mountain Club and Hamilton County Soil & Water Conservation Crew to brush, sign and construct 1.2 mile of hiking trail from Parking Area to Buck Mt. Fire Tower.
- The Town of Long Lake will contract with Michael Vilegi to paint, replace steps, replace landings, replace Cab roof as well as install safety fencing on the stairs and landing areas on Buck Mt. Fire Tower.
- Town of Long Lake will provide the seasonal porta-john, monitor Parking Area for litter/trash and do light trail maintenance. Any major trail repair necessary will be the responsibility of Hamilton County.
- Town of Long Lake is to provide roadside signage at Parking Area for Buck Mt. Fire Tower Trail, No Camping signage and Trail Head Kiosk.
- Hamilton County will provide enforcement of the No Overnight Parking and No Camping provisions of the agreement.
- Cedar Heights Timber, LLC will agree to a 10 year, no fee, recreational access lease with Hamilton County for the Parking Area, Hiking Trail and Fire Tower. The Parking Area, Hiking Trail and Fire Tower will remain in the ownership of Cedar Heights Timber, LLC.
- Hamilton County and the Town of Long Lake will indemnify, defend, and hold harmless Cedar Heights Timber, LLC free and harmless from any loss, injury, damage, claim, lien, cost or expense,

including without limitation attorney's fees and costs that result in exercise of lease, breach of Agreement, or lack or compliance with laws of the State of New York.

- Hamilton County and the Town of Long Lake shall maintain General Liability Insurance which policy shall have minimum limits of \$1,000,000 combined single limit and \$2,000,000 general aggregate and shall name Cedar Heights Timber, LLC as Certificate Holder and Additional Insured. The County will also provide coverage under their Umbrella Liability at \$5,000,000 per occurrence and \$10,000,000 Aggregate, and be it also

RESOLVED that the Town of Long lake and Cedar Heights Timber, LLC be so notified.

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

AYES: RHODES, SNYDER, WELLS, BAIN, ARSENAULT, FARBER AND MAURO

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: TOMLINSON AND FREY

**RESOLUTION NO. 160-22**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REAL PROPERTY TAX SERVICES AGENCY  
TO CONTRACT WITH CATHEDRAL CORPORATION FOR ASSESSMENT ROLL  
AND TAX BILL PRINTING SERVICES**

**DATED: MAY 5, 2022**

**BY MR. FARBER:**

WHEREAS, Section 502 of the Real Property Tax Law prescribes the form and content of the Assessment Rolls, Section 904 of the Real Property Tax Law prescribes the form and content of the Tax Warrants and Tax Rolls, and Section 922 of the Real Property Tax Law prescribes the form and content of the Tax Bills to be mailed to each taxpayer, and

WHEREAS, Section 1532 of the Real Property Tax Law defines the powers and duties of the Director of Real Property Tax Services to include the authorization to supply municipalities with assessment rolls or other forms for use in connection with the preparation of assessment rolls or the collection of property taxes, and other related services pertaining to the assessment and taxation of real property as may be authorized by the legislative body of the county, and

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors has authorized the Director of RPTS by resolution to produce and provide the annual tax bills, tax collection rolls and assessment rolls for all of the taxing jurisdictions physically located inside the county, and

WHEREAS, the Director of RPTS solicited proposals for production quotes from competing and capable vendors, performed due diligence and completed on-site visits, reviewed

statements of work, and negotiated favorable print production and service costs commensurate with the County's annual tax cycle needs, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the Director of RPTS to enter into a 3 year agreement for contract print services with Cathedral Corporation of Rome, New York, for production of tax bills, tax collection rolls and assessment rolls on behalf of the taxing jurisdictions in Hamilton County through December 31st, 2024, per the specifications outlined in the AGREEMENT FOR PRINTED AND ELECTRONIC STATEMENT PRODUCTION dated the 28th day of April, 2022.

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

AYES: RHODES, SNYDER, WELLS, BAIN, ARSENAULT, FARBER AND MAURO

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: TOMLINSON AND FREY

**RESOLUTION NO. 161-22**

**MORTGAGE TAX DISTRIBUTION**

**DATED: MAY 5, 2022**

**BY MR. FARBER:**

WHEREAS, it appears from the reports of the County Clerk and the County Treasurer for the period October 1, 2021 through March 31, 2022, 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 \$173,595.50, 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 \$173,595.50 be and the same hereby is apportioned as follows:

Arietta	\$13,618.00
Benson	\$2,828.50
Hope	\$6,014.50
Indian Lake	\$47,207.50
Inlet	\$40,110.50
Lake Pleasant	\$11,838.21
Long Lake	\$37,956.50
Morehouse	\$1,284.50
Wells	\$10,398.00
Village of Speculator	\$2,339.29

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. Snyder and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: RHODES, SNYDER, WELLS, BAIN, ARSENAULT, FARBER AND MAURO

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: TOMLINSON AND FREY

**RESOLUTION NO. 162-22**

**HAMILTON COUNTY ENTITLED ADDITIONAL FUNDING – RABIES GRANT**

**DATED: MAY 5, 2022**

**BY MR. MAURO:**

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Health requests the renewal of the contract with Hamilton County Public Health Nursing Service for expenses associated with the Rabies Program, contract number T36535GG, and

WHEREAS, the entire contract period is April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2025 in the amount of \$21,987.00, and

WHEREAS, the total grant award for the period April 1, 2022 – March 31, 2023 is \$7,329.00 and overlaps the 2022 and 2023 budget fiscal years, and

WHEREAS, there was not sufficient funds budgeted in the 2022 county budget, be it

RESOLVED, that Account No. A4042.413 Rabies Grant be increased by \$3,329.00, to be totally offset by increasing Revenue Account N. A3401.1 Rabies Grant by \$3,329.00, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors be authorized to sign the contract for the period April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2025 upon approval of the County Attorney and the County Treasurer be so advised.

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

AYES: RHODES, SNYDER, WELLS, BAIN, ARSENAULT, FARBER AND MAURO

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: TOMLINSON AND FREY

**RESOLUTION NO. 163-22**

**AUTHORIZING CHAIRMAN TO SIGN ATTESTATION FOR NYS OMH AND NYS  
OASAS COLA**

**DATED: MAY 5, 2022**

**BY MR. FARBER:**

WHEREAS, the New York State Office of Mental Health (NYS OMH) and New York State Office of Addiction Services and Supports (NYS OASAS) enacted budgets for 2022-23 included a 5.4% increase for salary and salary-related fringe benefits effective April 1, 2022, and

WHEREAS, the statute authorizing that the increase requires that each provider sign Attestation forms for both NYS OMH and NYS OASAS that the funding be used to support salary and salary- related fringe benefit increases, be it

RESOLVED, that the Attestation forms be completed to indicate that Hamilton County Community Services will use the increase in funding to support salary and salary- related fringe benefit increases, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the Chairman to sign the Attestation form as requested by NYS OMH and NYS OASAS and the County Treasurer be so advised.

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

AYES: RHODES, SNYDER, WELLS, BAIN, ARSENAULT, FARBER AND MAURO

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: TOMLINSON AND FREY

**RESOLUTION NO. 164-22**

**AUTHORIZING COMMUNITY SERVICES TO CONTRACT WITH LAKE PLEASANT  
CENTRAL SCHOOL FOR THE SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY PREVENTION  
INITIATIVE SERVICES**

**DATED: MAY 5, 2022**

**BY MS. BAIN:**

WHEREAS, Community Services has developed a Hamilton County School and Community Prevention Initiative that offers Hamilton County Schools a Clinical Social Worker and/or a Resource Officer services at a cost of \$10,000.00 per year for one day of each service per week, and

WHEREAS, Lake Pleasant Central School has agreed to contract for one (1) day per week of School Resource Officer (SRO) at a total cost of \$10,000.00 for the year beginning July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023, be it

RESOLVED, that upon approval of the County Attorney, Hamilton County Community Services is hereby authorized to contract with Lake Pleasant Central School for a School Resource Officer for an annual amount of \$10,000.00 to be billed in monthly installments of \$1,000.00 beginning September 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023.

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

AYES: RHODES, SNYDER, WELLS, BAIN, ARSENAULT, FARBER AND MAURO

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: TOMLINSON AND FREY

**RESOLUTION NO. 165-22**

**AUTHORIZING COMMUNITY SERVICES TO CONTRACT WITH INDIAN LAKE  
CENTRAL SCHOOL FOR THE SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY PREVENTION  
INITIATIVE SERVICES**

**DATED: MAY 5, 2022**

**BY MR. FARBER:**

WHEREAS, Community Services has developed a Hamilton County School and Community Prevention Initiative that offers Hamilton County Schools a Clinical Social Worker and/ or a Resource Officer services at a cost of \$10,000.00 per year for one day of each service per week, and

WHEREAS, Indian Lake Central School has agreed to contract for one (1) day per week of School Resource Officer (SRO) and two (2) days of Social Worker at a total cost of \$30,000.00 for the year beginning July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023, be it

RESOLVED, that upon approval of the County Attorney, Hamilton County Community Services is hereby authorized to contract with Indian Lake Central School for Social Work services and School Resource Officer Services for an annual amount of \$30,000.00 to be billed in monthly installments of \$3,000.00 beginning September 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023.

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

AYES: RHODES, SNYDER, WELLS, BAIN, ARSENAULT, FARBER AND MAURO

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: TOMLINSON AND FREY

**RESOLUTION NO. 166-22**

**AUTHORIZING COMMUNITY SERVICES TO CONTRACT WITH WELLS  
CENTRAL SCHOOL FOR THE SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY PREVENTION  
INITIATIVE SERVICES**

**DATED: MAY 5, 2022**

**BY MR. FARBER:**

WHEREAS, Community Services has developed a Hamilton County School and Community Prevention Initiative that offers Hamilton County Schools a Clinical Social Worker and/ or a Resource Officer services at a cost of \$10,000.00 per year for one day of each service per week, and

WHEREAS, Wells Central School has agreed to contract for one (1) day per week of School Resource Officer (SRO) at a total cost of \$10,000.00 for the year beginning July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023, be it

RESOLVED, that upon approval of the County Attorney, Hamilton County Community Services is hereby authorized to contract with Wells Central School for a School Resource Officer for an annual amount of \$10,000.00 to be billed in monthly installments of \$1,000.00 beginning September 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023.

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

AYES: RHODES, SNYDER, WELLS, BAIN, ARSENAULT, FARBER AND MAURO

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: TOMLINSON AND FREY

**RESOLUTION NO. 167-22**

**AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH CHILDREN'S HOME OF  
POUGHKEEPSIE**

**DATED: MAY 5, 2022**

**BY MR. FARBER:**

WHEREAS, children placed in the care and custody of the Commissioner of Social Services as a result of abuse, neglect, maltreatment or voluntary surrender require out-of-home placement in residential treatment centers, and

WHEREAS, these residential treatment centers are certified by the New York State Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS), and

WHEREAS, maximum state reimbursable rates are established by OCFS, be it

RESOLVED, the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, upon review and approval of the County Attorney, is hereby authorized and directed to enter into an agreement with Children's Home of Poughkeepsie.

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

AYES: RHODES, SNYDER, WELLS, BAIN, ARSENAULT, FARBER AND MAURO

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: TOMLINSON AND FREY

**RESOLUTION NO. 168-22**

**APPROVAL OF AUDITS IN COUNTY HIGHWAY FUNDS**

**DATED: MAY 5, 2022**

**BY MR. SNYDER:**

RESOLVED, that the bills in the Machinery Fund amounting to \$168,109.32 and bills in the County Road Fund amounting to \$58,223.04 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. Arsenault and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: RHODES, SNYDER, WELLS, BAIN, ARSENAULT, FARBER AND MAURO

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: TOMLINSON AND FREY

**RESOLUTION NO. 169-22**

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

**DATED: MAY 5, 2022**

**BY MR. MAURO:**

RESOLVED, that the bills audited this day in the County General Fund in the amount of \$148,637.87 by the following committees:

Public Works (Buildings) Committee.....	\$20,697.00
Public Works (Solid Waste) Committee .....	35,608.13
Finance Committee .....	26,456.13
Health Committee.....	19,133.88
Human Services Committee.....	15,964.02
Central Government Committee .....	7,123.74
Emergency Prep./Emergency Response.....	19,056.53
Publicity, Tourism, Economic Development & Planning Committee.....	2,199.85
Internal Management Committee .....	2,398.59

be it further

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

Halloween Storm Capital Project 2019-1.....	\$ 2,000.00
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are hereby approved.

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

**AYES: RHODES, SNYDER, WELLS, BAIN, ARSENAULT, FARBER AND MAURO**

**NAYS: NONE**

**ABSENT: TOMLINSON AND FREY**

Other Reports:

Mr. Farber: Stated that Adirondack Day was scheduled for that Monday in Albany but it has been canceled due to COVID. He thanked Mr. Rhodes and Christy Wilt, Economic Development/Tourism Director for all their help. The plan was to promote the fire towers and the challenge as part of that. He stated that he also left a copy of the AATV Legislative Agenda on each of the Board's desks. He feels that there were several things of great interest to the County in terms of the 2022 priorities. The cellular/broadband passage and Constitutional Amendments were numbers 1 and 2. He and the Chairman worked hard to make sure they scored well in terms of how they got prioritized by AATV. The Chairman stated that Mr. Farber has done a ton of work

in getting it out to the Board.

The Chairman: Stated that the Board received a request from Assemblyman Smullen for a letter of support for the Inlet/Webb joint Police Department Legislation A.2227. He asked the Board for their consensus. Mr. Farber stated that as long as Mr. Frey has continued to support this then the Board should support him and the Town of Inlet. He further discussed.

Mr. Eldridge: Stated that he hoped to be paving the Transfer Station next Friday and hopefully open it the following Friday. He stated that he received all the permits for Fayle Road Bridge and that he is still in the process of determining a day to start the Oxbow Lake Outlet Culvert. There was an issue with the wires being too low for equipment but he will keep Mr. Rhodes as well as the Arietta Highway Superintendent posted on this. He stated that they were paving Cramer Bridge today and hopes to have it open to the public in the following week. They will then be moving to Burnham Mill Bridge. He also discussed the spreadsheets for equipment rental and asphalt prices. He stated that with the prices being up he might have to do some rearranging to get some of the projects done. Mr. Farber asked if there has been a decrease in the number of equipment bidders. Mr. Eldridge stated that there has been. Mr. Farber stated that he thought the reduction for this year was striking. Mr. Eldridge stated that Finke is very competitive. Some of the other vendors that bid have not been competitive so they don't feel like it's worth their time. He stated that many of them are now available on NYS Contract but that there is also an equipment shortage.

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