

2022

FIRST ANNUAL SESSION

NOVEMBER 3, 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	ABSENT
Hope	Steven M. Tomlinson
Indian Lake	Brian Wells
Inlet	ABSENT
Lake Pleasant	Betsy Bain
Long Lake	Clay J. Arsenault
Morehouse	William G. Farber
Wells	Nick Mauro

Also present: County Attorney, Tracy Eldridge-Highway Superintendent, Sheriff Abrams, Robert Kleppang-Retired Community Services Director, Avis Warner-Retired Public Health RN, Erica Mahoney-Director of Public Health, Beth Hunt-Treasurer and Barry Baker-Real Property Tax Director/Budget Officer

A motion was made to accept the minutes of October 6, 2022, by Mr. Mauro, seconded by Mr. Arsenault. Carried.

Public Comment: No one present.

County Attorney: No report.

Reports of Standing/Special Committees:

Mr. Farber: Stated that he attended the Adirondack InterCounty committee meeting. They did a tour of a Clinton County business at the airport. It is part of the redevelopment of the base. The business is developing electric airplanes. They can fly a couple hundred miles before they have to land and recharge. The majority of the meeting conversation surrounded the economy, state budget, state legislation, and NYSAC priorities for 2023. Sales tax has been on an upward trajectory for 2022. The state has some big looming gaps in their budget so they will all have to keep an eye on state revenues and some of the programs that are funded through state revenues.

Regarding emergency preparedness, they were asked by the Town of Arietta to follow up with some property owners that have some concerns about the one Arietta site. They have tried to

pursue and calm the concerns about it. The property owners have asked them to look at a variety of other sites. The full evaluation that they did keeps bringing them back to the area at the end of Route 10. What they did was develop data that showed they could be on either side of Route 10. The first site that they picked he feels is still the best site for a lot of reasons. He thanked Mr. Rhodes for having an emergency town board meeting in Arietta. He feels that the County and the Towns are partners in this emergency communication project. This is really about the County providing one emergency communication system to serve all of the towns as well as fire and ambulances. He had asked Mr. Rhodes and the Town Board if the Town was willing to have the County take extra time to evaluate an additional site in Arietta. He stated that himself, Mr. Rhodes and C&S went out and looked at the second site. He is hoping to move this as quickly as they can but there is a real possibility that they could lose a construction season with respect to Arietta by doing this. He stated that the Town Board wanted the County to review the other sites and that the County will make the investment. He felt this could be done in a way that respects the Town of Arietta, their residents and Town Board's desire but continues to keep the project moving forward.

Mr. Rhodes: Stated that Christy Wilt, Planning and Tourism Director, had been working on the IDA budget. It is now completed and submitted to the Public Authority's Recording Information System (PARIS). She will be attending an IDA meeting in the following week that will be covering the PARIS reporting, best practices, as well as tips for evaluating viable projects.

Mr. Tomlinson: Stated that there was an IDA meeting that morning and they are working on a workforce housing project with Oak Mountain. It is moving along well but there are a lot of steps involved.

As far as Public Works, there are two resolutions on the agenda, and he is looking for the Boards' support. There was also a Committee Meeting this week with Tracy Eldridge, Highway Superintendent. He also stated that his Town Highway Superintendent and himself did a road tour of their roads in Hope that were recently blacktopped, and Public Works did an incredible job. He thanked them for their hard work.

Mr. Arsenault: He stated that the last time he had spoken with Personnel they were still waiting to hear back from Burnham regarding whether or not Nathan Littauer and Excellus had worked their issue out. He asked if the Board had heard anything. The Chairman stated that there was a resolution on the agenda regarding health insurance.

PROCLAMATIONS:

The Chairman introduced Mr. Farber. Mr. Farber stated that it was his honor to get to present this proclamation. He was around when the Board of Supervisors participated with the Community Services Board and initially hired Robert Kleppang. It doesn't seem possible that it was 1999 when it occurred. It was an interesting hiring process as they are experiencing now with the fact that it's a blended group of the Community Services Board really having the ability to hire but the Board of Supervisors having the authority over the salary. He thinks that it really does require a partnership. He would love to say that they were wonderful in the way they implemented that because they got a great outcome. He thinks that the County was very lucky. They had some great candidates to choose from, but he thinks they made by far the best possible choice. Mr. Kleppang

has served Hamilton County so well. He then reflected on some of the things where Mr. Kleppang showed leadership and in bringing departments together. Mr. Farber explained how Judge Feldstein would talk about great things being done like the Coordinated Children Services Initiative. Mr. Farber further discussed the visioning days Mr. Kleppang had set up at Minnowbrook trying to bring all the community stakeholders and leaders together to have conversations. But more recently, the work he did to bring the whole region together at Minnowbrook. He stated that it was a wonderful tenure that he had with the County. He moved the County so far forward internally and on a regional scale. He brought a level of understanding to some of Hamilton County's State Representatives about the problems and challenges here that really are unique. As well as that he was also always effective in talking about our strengths. It really was his honor to thank Mr. Kleppang for his service to the county. He read and presented the Proclamation to Mr. Kleppang. Mr. Kleppang expressed his thanks to the Board and to several people in Hamilton County. He stated that none of what he accomplished could have been done alone. He did it with the great support of the Board. He thanked the County Attorney and stated that it was great to work with him. He thanked the Board again. Stated that it had been an honor and wished everyone the best. He added that there was some good news to share. There are two finalists for the Director of Community Services position. They will be doing final interviews on Monday and the Community Services Board looks forward to making a recommendation. He feels that both are excellent candidates, and he thinks that the County will be in good hands. The Board applauded. The Chairman stated his appreciation and the one thing that stuck out to him was Mr. Kleppang's manner, dignity, grace and how he handled things. He looked up to that and thanked him.

Hamilton County Board of Supervisors
Proclamation
On the Occasion of his Retirement
Robert Kleppang

WHEREAS, we would like to express special recognition to Robert Kleppang and to honor him for his distinguished twenty-three years of service with Hamilton County Community Services; and

WHEREAS, Robert began his career on August 23, 1999 as the Director of Community Services; and

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors wishes to express its sincere appreciation to Robert for his dedication to the outstanding performance of his duties during his tenure; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire and honor of this Board to honor Robert Kleppang

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors, do hereby commend and honor

Robert Kleppang

for his many years of service and dedication as a Hamilton County employee and extend our heartfelt thanks for a job well done and offer our good wishes for an enjoyable retirement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, WE, the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors, have hereunto set our hand to this Proclamation this 3rd day of November, 2022.

The Chairman introduced Ms. Bain. Ms. Bain stated that she only has known Avis Warner for three years. During the COVID Clinics she was always there and has been wonderful. She has been the foundation of the whole group and she understands that the group is going to really miss her. She asked Erica Mahoney, Director of Public Health, if she would like to say anything. Ms. Mahoney stated that she agreed with Ms. Bain and that she was going to miss her as well. Ms. Bain stated that they are having a dinner in honor of Ms. Warner and how it says a lot because every employee from Public Health will be there. She read and presented the Proclamation to Ms. Warner. Ms. Warner stated that working for Hamilton County has been wonderful and thanked them. The Board applauded. The Chairman thanked her.

Hamilton County Board of Supervisors
Proclamation
On the Occasion of her Retirement
Avis Warner

WHEREAS, we would like to express special recognition to Avis Warner and to honor her for her distinguished thirty plus years of service with Hamilton County Public Health; and

WHEREAS, Avis began her career on June 11, 1990 as a Registered Professional Nurse for Hamilton County Public Health; and

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors wishes to express its sincere appreciation to Avis for her dedication to the outstanding performance of her duties during her tenure; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire and honor of this Board to honor Avis Warner

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors, do hereby commend and honor

Avis Warner

for her many years of service and dedication as a Hamilton County employee and extend our heartfelt thanks for a job well done and offer our good wishes for an enjoyable retirement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, WE, the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors, have hereunto set our hand to this Proclamation this 3rd day of November, 2022.

Robert Kleppang, Avis Warner and Erica Mahoney all left the meeting.

RESOLUTIONS:

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

NOVEMBER 3, 2022

Your Committee on the tentative budget of the fiscal year 2023 as filed by the Budget Officer with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, respectfully reports that in its opinion the amounts in the columns headed "Recommended Appropriations" will be necessary to meet the expenditures of the County for the ensuing year.

1. Contributions required by the law be made by tax upon this County for State Employees' Retirement Contributions and Conservation Fire Claims.
2. Salaries of Officers and Employees heretofore authorized by this Board and the amounts necessary to pay for the equipment, supplies and materials and other expenses for each department.
3. Amount necessary to carry out the contract with the State of New York for Snow Removal on State Highways.
4. County Indebtedness maturing and interest payable as shown by the Budget Officer.
5. Appropriations for Public Relief and care and administration expenses.
6. Appropriations for the County Road Fund, Snow Removal on County Road and County Machinery Fund.
7. Appropriations for the Contingent Fund.
8. Appropriations for reserve for uncollected taxes and assessments, tax refunds and tax sales.
9. Appropriations for other specific purposes as stated in the tentative budget by the Budget Officer.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

John Frey, William G. Farber,
Chris D. Rhodes, Phillip C. Snyder

RESOLUTION NO. 334-22

ACCEPTING REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

DATED: NOVEMBER 3, 2022

BY MR. FARBER:

RESOLVED, that the Report of the Finance Committee is accepted as on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: SNYDER AND FREY

RESOLUTION NO. 335-22

**AUTHORIZING A PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO. 13 OF 2022 A LOCAL LAW OVERRIDING THE TAX LEVY LIMIT FOR HAMILTON COUNTY FOR 2023 AND AUTHORIZING THE ADOPTION BY HAMILTON COUNTY OF A BUDGET FOR 2023 THAT WILL REQUIRE A TAX LEVY THAT IS GREATER THAN THE TAX LEVY LIMIT FOR THE 2023 FISCAL YEAR
DATED: NOVEMBER 3, 2022**

BY MR. ARSENAULT:

RESOLVED, that proposed Local Law No. 13 of 2022 titled "A LOCAL LAW OVERRIDING THE TAX LEVY LIMIT FOR HAMILTON COUNTY FOR 2023 AND AUTHORIZING THE ADOPTION BY HAMILTON COUNTY OF A BUDGET FOR 2023 THAT MAY REQUIRE A TAX LEVY THAT IS GREATER THAN THE TAX LEVY LIMIT FOR THE 2023 FISCAL YEAR" attached hereto and made a part hereof, be, and the same hereby is introduced before the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors, and in order to give interested members of the public the opportunity to be heard thereon, the Board of Supervisors shall hold a public hearing at the Supervisors' Rooms in the Hamilton County Municipal Building on the 18th day of November, 2022, at 11:15 a.m., on the matter of the adoption of said proposed Local Law No. 13 of 2022, entitled "A LOCAL LAW OVERRIDING THE TAX LEVY LIMIT FOR HAMILTON COUNTY FOR 2023 AND AUTHORIZING THE ADOPTION BY HAMILTON COUNTY OF A BUDGET FOR 2023 THAT MAY REQUIRE A TAX LEVY THAT IS GREATER THAN THE TAX LEVY LIMIT FOR THE 2023 FISCAL YEAR", and it be further

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

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: SNYDER AND FREY

**PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO. 13 OF 2022
State of New York**

County of Hamilton

A LOCAL LAW OVERRIDING THE TAX LEVY LIMIT FOR HAMILTON COUNTY FOR 2023 AND AUTHORIZING THE ADOPTION BY HAMILTON COUNTY OF A BUDGET FOR 2023 THAT WILL REQUIRE A TAX LEVY THAT IS GREATER THAN THE TAX LEVY LIMIT FOR THE 2023 FISCAL YEAR

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

- Section 1. Title: This Local Law shall be known as “Hamilton County Responsible Budgeting Law of 2022”.
- Section 2. Declaration of intent: The intention of this local law is to comply with the requirements of General Municipal Law Section 3-c (5) prior to adopting the 2023 Hamilton County Budget. The dramatic economic changes precipitated by COVID, inflation, and workforce shortages have necessitated this increase. Notwithstanding these circumstances the County will need to provide services in 2023, in addition to those mandated by the State, which are important to our citizens. After serious and sustained efforts to minimize the amount of the tax levy, and to project the tax levy limit for Hamilton County for 2023, it is clear that a responsible budget for 2023 will require a tax levy that will be greater than the tax levy limit calculated pursuant to applicable State Law.
- Section 3. Budget Authorization: The Board of Supervisors hereby overrides the tax levy limit for Hamilton County for 2023 and authorizes Hamilton County, after completing all required procedures for the adoption of a budget, to adopt a budget for 2023 that will require a tax levy increase that is greater than the tax levy limit calculated for 2023 pursuant to Section 3-c of the General Municipal Law.
- Section 4. Severability: If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or other portion of this local law is for any reason declared unconstitutional, or invalid or in whole or in part by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed severable and such unconstitutionality or invalidation shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this law which remaining portions shall remain in full force and effect.
- Section 5. Effective Date: This local law shall take effect upon the date on which a certified copy of this local law is filed in the office of the Secretary of State pursuant to section 27 of the Municipal Home Rule Law.

RESOLUTION NO. 336-22

MORTGAGE TAX DISTRIBUTION

DATED: NOVEMBER 3, 2022

BY MS. BAIN:

WHEREAS, it appears from the reports of the County Clerk and the County Treasurer for the period April 1, 2022 through September 30, 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 \$131,159.98, 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 \$131,159.98 be and the same hereby is apportioned as follows:

Arietta	\$4,014.50
Benson	2,066.00
Hope	\$2,333.50
Indian Lake	\$30,707.98
Inlet	\$35,863.00
Lake Pleasant	\$15,327.26
Long Lake	\$24,753.50
Morehouse	\$1,124.00
Wells	\$11,941.50
Village of Speculator	\$3,028.74

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. Farber and adopted by the following vote:

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: SNYDER AND FREY

RESOLUTION NO. 337-22

INVESTMENT POLICY UPDATE FOR THE COUNTY OF HAMILTON

DATED: NOVEMBER 3, 2022

BY MR. TOMLINSON:

WHEREAS, the Investment Policy for the County of Hamilton is to be renewed on an annual basis, along with a list of banks where monies are deposited, and

WHEREAS, the annual update was completed on January 6, 2022, and

WHEREAS, the County Treasurer is recommending an additional bank be added to the list prior to the annual update, be it

RESOLVED, that the following bank list be updated to include The Bank of New York Mellon (BNY Mellon) with the maximum amounts as follows:

NBT: \$15,000,000.00 (Fifteen Million)
Community Bank: \$2,000,000.00 (Two Million)
Key Bank: \$5,000,000.00 (Five Million)
JP Morgan: \$10,000,000.00 (Ten Million)
Bank of America: \$5,000,000.00 (Five Million)
Chemung Canal Trust Company: \$3,000,000.00 (Three Million)
T.D. Bank: \$12,000,000.00 (Twelve Million)
Bank of the Finger Lakes-Wayne Bank \$2,000,000.00 (Two Million)
Bank on Buffalo-Division of CNB Bank \$2,000,000.00 (Two Million)
The Bank of New York Mellon, \$3,000,000.00 (Three Million)

be it further

RESOLVED, that the above listed amendment be adopted and the County Treasurer be so advised.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: SNYDER AND FREY

After the following resolution was placed on the floor; the Chairman thanked the Clerk of the Board, Treasurer and Personnel Officer for their work on this.

RESOLUTION NO. 338-22

APPROVAL TO FUND AND PAY INVOICES RECEIVED UTILIZING THE ARP ACT FUNDS FOR THE NEW FINANCIAL SOFTWARE BEING IMPLEMENTED IN THE TREASURERS, PERSONNEL AND CLERK OF THE BOARD'S OFFICE

DATED: NOVEMBER 3, 2022

BY MR. ARSENAULT:

WHEREAS, three invoices have been received from Tyler Technologies for the new financial/personnel software being implemented, and

WHEREAS, per Resolution No. 288-21 dated November 10, 2021 the Board created the ARP Act accounts to cover the expenses of this implementation, be it

RESOLVED, the County Treasurer is hereby authorized to fund Account No. A1325.0412 – ARP Act Financial Software in the amount of \$38,657.00 to be offset by funding Revenue Account No. A4089.0200 – American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) in the amount of \$38,657.00, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer is hereby authorized to pay Tyler Technologies for Invoice No. 025-395849 in the amount of \$2,860.00, Invoice No. 025-393217 in the amount of \$32,222.00 and Invoice No. 025-397244 in the amount of \$3,575.00 from Account No. A1325.0412 ARP Act, Financial Software.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: SNYDER AND FREY

RESOLUTION NO. 339-22

APPROVAL TO PAY INVOICES RECEIVED UTILIZING THE ARP ACT FUNDS FOR VIRTUAL MEETING EQUIPMENT – LAKE PLEASANT CONFERENCE ROOM

DATED: NOVEMBER 3, 2022

BY MR. ARSENAULT:

WHEREAS, the invoice has been received from My Techs, Inc. for the new virtual meeting equipment in the Lake Pleasant Conference Room, and

WHEREAS, per Resolution No. 269-22 dated September 1, 2022 the Board created and funded the ARP Act accounts to cover the expenses of this project, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer is hereby authorized to pay My Techs, Inc. for Invoice No. 2161 in the amount of \$3,196.60, from Account No. A1040.0409 ARP Act, Virtual Meeting Equipment.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: SNYDER AND FREY

RESOLUTION NO. 340-22

TRANSFER OF FUNDS – SHERIFF CAR EXPENSE

DATED: NOVEMBER 3, 2022

BY MR. RHODES:

WHEREAS, there is a shortage of funds in the Sheriff Car Expense Account No. A3110.0401, due to vehicle repairs, maintenance along with the increase in gasoline prices, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer is hereby authorized to transfer \$25,000.00 from the Unappropriated County General Fund Balance in accordance with Section 366 Subdivision 1 of the County Law to Account No. A3110.0401-Car Expense.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: SNYDER AND FREY

RESOLUTION NO. 341-22

AUTHORIZING CHAIRMAN TO SIGN DHSES GRANT PROJECT PS21-1044-E00

DATED: NOVEMBER 3, 2022

BY MR. FARBER:

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Emergency Management Department has been awarded the NYS Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services (DHSES) Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) Grant Project PS21-1044-E00 in the amount of \$170,317.00, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized to sign said DHSES Grant, project PS21-1044-E00, and the Director of Emergency Management and Sheriff be so notified.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: SNYDER AND FREY

RESOLUTION NO. 342-22

**AUTHORIZING FUNDING AND CHAIRMAN TO SIGN DHSES GRANT PROJECT
SI21-1050-E00**

DATED: NOVEMBER 3, 2022

BY MR. FARBER:

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Emergency Management Department has been awarded the NYS Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services (DHSES) Grant Project SI21-1050-E00 in the amount of \$1,126,497.00, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer be authorized to create Account No. A3645.0427 DHSES SI21-1050-E00 and fund it at \$1,126,497.00 to be totally offset by creating and funding Revenue Account No. A3389.0131 SI21-1050-E00 in the amount of \$1,126,497.00 and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized to sign said DHSES Grant, Project SI21-1050-E00 and the Director of Emergency Management and Sheriff be so notified.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: SNYDER AND FREY

RESOLUTION NO. 343-22

AUTHORIZING CONTRACT WITH SPEECH THERAPIST – HONORA BICHE

DATED: NOVEMBER 3, 2022

BY MS. BAIN:

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Public Health Nursing Service contracts with individual providers of speech and language pathologies for several programs, and

WHEREAS, Honora Biche of 170 Chartier Road, Northville, NY 12134, is a duly licensed Speech and Language Pathologist by the NYS Department of Education, Office of Professions and wishes to contract with the Nursing Service, and

WHEREAS, the term of this contract shall be from November 1, 2022 through September 30, 2023 and compensated at a rate of \$75.00 per visit, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors is authorized to enter into a contract with Honora Biche, SLP to provide speech therapy to the residents of Hamilton County, for the period November 1, 2022 through September 30, 2023 at a rate of \$75.00 per visit, upon approval of the County Attorney and the County Treasurer be so notified.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: SNYDER AND FREY

After the following resolution was placed on the floor, Mr. Farber asked Ms. Bain why there was so much extra money in the fringe. Ms. Bain was not sure.

RESOLUTION NO. 344-22

2022 TRANSFER OF FUNDS – PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS GRANT

DATED: NOVEMBER 3, 2022

BY MS. BAIN:

WHEREAS, funding was budgeted in the PHEP fringe budget account, and

WHEREAS, the PHEP Personal Service account was under budgeted, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer be authorized to make the following transfer within the 2022 County budget:

FROM: A4189.8510 PHEP Fringe	\$8,000.00
TO: A4189.1510 PHEP Personal Service	\$8,000.00

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: SNYDER AND FREY

RESOLUTION NO. 345-22

INCREASE EARLY INTERVENTION BUDGET

DATED: NOVEMBER 3, 2022

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 (IFPS) 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 \$25,751.00 annually, for the period October 1, 2021 – September 30, 2026, and

WHEREAS, only \$2,000.00 was budgeted for Personal Service and \$1,000.00 was budgeted for Fringe in the 2022 County budget, and

WHEREAS, a new employee was hired and is training in the Early Intervention program, be it

RESOLVED, that the following appropriation accounts be increased:

Account No. A4059.0101 Early Intervention Personal Services	\$ 5,000.00
Account No. A4059.0801 Early Intervention Fringe	\$ 2,500.00

to be totally offset by increasing Revenue Account No. A4451.0000 by \$7,500.00, and the County Treasurer be so authorized.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: SNYDER AND FREY

RESOLUTION NO. 346-22

INCREASE WIC 2022 BUDGET

DATED: NOVEMBER 3, 2022

BY MR. FARBER:

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Health, Agency # 12000, renewed Contract No. DOH01-C35458GG-3450000 with Hamilton County Public Health Nursing Service to provide Women, Infant and Children Program (WIC) Services, for the period of October 1, 2022–September 30, 2023, and

WHEREAS, the total grant contract is for Fifty-two Thousand Four Hundred Seventy-five Dollars (\$52,475), and

WHEREAS, only a portion of the grant was included in the 2022 County budget, and

WHEREAS, a new employee was hired and a current staff member has been training to replace Avis Warner as the Coordinator, be it

RESOLVED, that the following appropriation accounts be increased:

Account No. A4082.0101 WIC CPA	\$ 6,000.00
Account No. A4082.0102 WIC Program Support	\$ 2,200.00
Account No. A4082.0801 WIC Fringe	\$ 6,300.00

to be totally offset by increasing Revenue Account No. A4482.0000 by \$14,500.00, and the County Treasurer be so advised.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: SNYDER AND FREY

RESOLUTION NO. 347-22

**AUTHORIZATION TO AMEND CONTRACT WITH COMPREHENSIVE MEDICINE,
PLLC**

DATED: NOVEMBER 3, 2022

BY MS. BAIN:

WHEREAS, the County of Hamilton has approved the contract with Comprehensive Medicine, PLLC to provide tele-psychiatry to residents of Hamilton receiving mental health services from Hamilton County Community Services, and

WHEREAS, the utilization of services will exceed the cap of \$46,500.00 specified in the current contract, and

WHEREAS, services projected to be provided by Comprehensive Medicine, PLLC will require additional funding through the end of the current year, be it

RESOLVED, that the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors hereby approves amending the County's 2022 contract with Comprehensive Medicine, PLLC from a \$46,500.00 cap to a \$63,150.00 cap and the Treasurer be so advised.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: SNYDER AND FREY

RESOLUTION NO. 348-22

**AUTHORIZING COMMUNITY SERVICES TO CONTRACT WITH WELLS
CENTRAL SCHOOL FOR THE SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY PREVENTION
INITIATIVE SERVICES – CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKER SERVICES**

DATED: NOVEMBER 3, 2022

BY MR. FARBER:

WHEREAS, Community Services has developed a Hamilton County School and Community Prevention Initiative that offers Hamilton County Schools 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 Clinical Social Worker services at a cost of \$10,000.00 per year for the July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023 school year, be it

RESOLVED, that upon approval of the County Attorney, Hamilton County Community Services is hereby authorized to contract with Wells Central School for Clinical Social Worker

services for a prorated amount of \$7,500.00 to be billed \$500.00 for November 14, 2022 through November 30, 2022 and monthly installments of \$1,000.00 beginning December 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: SNYDER AND FREY

RESOLUTION NO. 349-22

**CONTINUATION OF TOURIST PROMOTION AGENCY FOR HAMILTON COUNTY
AND AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION TO NEW YORK STATE
DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FOR MATCHING FUNDS FOR
PROMOTION OF TOURISM**

DATED: NOVEMBER 3, 2022

BY MR. MAURO:

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Economic Development is empowered to approve application from local governments for matching funds to be used for promoting tourism therein, and

WHEREAS, the President of the Regional Office of Sustainable Tourism has recommended that an application for such funds be submitted to the Department of Economic Development for matching funds up to the amount appropriated therefore within the New York State budget, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that, Michelle Clement of the Regional Office of Sustainable Tourism be, and hereby is, authorized and directed to submit an application to Kelly Rabideau-Baquerizo, Tourism Matching Funds Director, Empire State Development Division of Tourism, Albany, New York 12245, for matching funds in an amount up to One Hundred Seventy-two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$172,500.00) to be used for the promotion of tourism in Hamilton County, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Regional Office of Sustainable Tourism is hereby named Project Director in relation thereto, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors hereby certifies to the New York State Department of Economic Development that both the County of Hamilton and the Regional Office of Sustainable Tourism have been in existence for more than three (3) years, and be it further

RESOLVED, that in order to comply with Commerce Law, Article 5-A (New York State Tourism Promotion Act) that the Regional Office of Sustainable Tourism be the duly designated tourist promotion agency for the County of Hamilton for the fiscal year of 2022/2023, and the County Treasurer be so advised.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: SNYDER AND FREY

RESOLUTION NO. 350-22

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE HAMILTON COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

DATED: NOVEMBER 3, 2022

BY MR. ARSENAULT:

WHEREAS, the Supervisors' Representatives to the Board of Directors of the Hamilton County Soil and Water Conservation District terminate December 31, 2022, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to appoint two (2) Supervisors as representatives to the Board of Directors of the Hamilton County Soil and Water Conservation District, and

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors wishes to appoint Betsy Bain and Nick Mauro as Supervisors' Representatives for a term of one-year commencing January 1, 2023 terminating December 31, 2023, be it

RESOLVED, that Betsy Bain and Nick Mauro be appointed as Supervisors' Representatives for a term of one-year commencing January 1, 2023 and terminating December 31, 2023.

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

AYES: RHODES, TOMLINSON, WELLS, ARSENAULT, AND FARBER

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: SNYDER AND FREY

ABSTAIN: BAIN AND MAURO

RESOLUTION NO. 351-22

TRANSFER OF FUNDS - REAL PROPERTY TAX SERVICES

DATED: NOVEMBER 3, 2022

BY MR. ARSENAULT:

WHEREAS, with approval of the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, the Director of Real Property Tax Services attended the 2022 conference of the NYS Association of County Directors of Real Property Tax Services, and the increased travel costs exceeded the 2022 budgeted amount and therefore resulted in a shortage of funds in Account No. A1355.0402 Tax Travel, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer is hereby authorized to make the following transfer to cover said 2022 overage:

FROM: Account No. A1355.0403 Tax Supplies Materials	\$683.78
TO: Account No. A1355.0402 Tax Travel	\$683.78

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: SNYDER AND FREY

RESOLUTION NO. 352-22

AUTHORIZING ONE YEAR LEASE AGREEMENT WITH LISA BURGESS

DATED: NOVEMBER 3, 2022

BY MR. FARBER:

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

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

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized to enter into a one-year lease with Lisa Burgess for January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023, with the approval of the County Attorney, and be it also

RESOLVED, that the monthly rent is hereby set at \$450.00 per month for 2023.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: SNYDER AND FREY

After the following resolution was placed on the floor, Mr. Arsenault clarified that this is a resolution approving Burnham Benefits to fill out and file an application. This doesn't mean the County is switching insurance carriers. Mr. Farber stated that there would be a subsequent resolution to make the decision if the County is going to switch but it's not looking favorable so far in terms of Excellus and the provider group within Nathan Littauer.

RESOLUTION NO. 353-22

AUTHORIZATION TO TENTATIVELY CHANGE AND ENTER INTO PROVIDER AGREEMENT FOR 2023 HEALTH INSURANCE

DATED: NOVEMBER 3, 2022

BY MR. ARSENAULT:

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors has been notified that Nathan Littauer's Primary/Specialty Care Network of Practices will no longer except Excellus BlueCross BlueShield effective January 1, 2023, and

WHEREAS, the Internal Management Committee has reviewed other insurance carrier proposals for 2023 due to the issue with Nathan Littauer, and

WHEREAS, Burnham Benefit Advisors is requesting that they be authorized to submit a group application to MVP for 2023 health insurance enrollment by November 7th, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, this change is contingent upon no agreement being met between Excellus and Nathan Littauer's Primary/Specialty Care Network of Practices with continued acceptance of Excellus BlueCross Blue Shield insurance effective January 1, 2023, and be it further

RESOLVED, Hamilton County Board of Supervisors authorize Burnham Benefit Advisors to submit a group application to MVP for 2023 health insurance enrollment and the County Treasurer be so authorized and Personnel Officer be notified.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: SNYDER AND FREY

RESOLUTION NO. 354-22

FLEXIBLE FUND FOR FAMILY SERVICES PAYMENT – SOCIAL SERVICES

DATED: NOVEMBER 3, 2022

BY MS. BAIN:

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Department of Social Services needs to pay NYS Commissioner of Taxation & Finance for the amount of \$171,418.00, and

WHEREAS, these funds are a repayment due to an overpayment made to Hamilton County for Flexible Fund for Family Services 2021-2022, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Hamilton County Department of Social Services Account No. A4615, Federal Aid, Flex Spend Fund- Family, be debited in the amount of One Hundred Seventy-One Thousand Four Hundred Eighteen Dollars (\$171,418.00) to be paid to NYS Commissioner of Taxation & Finance and sent to:

NYS Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance
Bureau of Financial Services
Attn: Mr. Michael Cody, Chief Accountant
40 North Pearl Street, Floor 14C
Albany, NY 12243-0001

and the County Treasurer be so authorized.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: SNYDER AND FREY

RESOLUTION NO. 355-22

**AUTHORIZING THE COMMISSIONER OF DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
AND THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO SIGN A CONTRACT
FOR WELFARE FRAUD INVESTIGATIONS**

DATED: NOVEMBER 3, 2022

BY MR. RHODES:

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Social Services of the County of Hamilton (hereinafter the “Commissioner”) is charged with the responsibility for the administration of all health and welfare services provided in Hamilton County, at public expense pursuant to the Statewide Managed Care Program, Chapter 165 of the Laws of 1991, directly or through an authorized agent, and

WHEREAS, it is economically and organizationally feasible for the HCDSS to contract with the Provider for the provision of Supportive Investigative Services for the Social Services Programs, and

WHEREAS, the HCDSS and Provider are desirous of further specifying their mutual obligations and responsibilities owed under this Agreement, and

WHEREAS, the provider has secured liability insurance as part of the contract and the HCDSS is desirous of the provider to be reimbursed said expense to retain contract, be it

RESOLVED, that the Commissioner of the Department of Social Services and the Chairman of the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors, be and hereby are, authorized to enter into a contract between the Hamilton County Department of Social Services and the Welfare Fraud investigator to provide supportive investigative services for the Social Services Department.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: SNYDER AND FREY

RESOLUTION NO. 356-22

2022 TRANSFER OF FUNDS – PUBLIC HEALTH and CHHA

DATED: NOVEMBER 3, 2022

BY MS. BAIN:

WHEREAS, there are shortages in the CHHA On-Call and Public Health supplies accounts, be it

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

FROM:
A4050.126 PH Temp Staff \$ 7,000.00

TO:
A4010.110 CHHA On-Call \$ 6,000.00
A4050.409 PH Office Supplies \$ 1,000.00

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: SNYDER AND FREY

RESOLUTION NO. 357-22

**AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE AND INSTALL OF KEYLESS SECURITY SYSTEM
SHERIFF OFFICE/COURTHOUSE - 2022**

DATED: NOVEMBER 3, 2022

BY MR. TOMLINSON:

WHEREAS, the DPW Superintendent has met with the Public Works committee to discuss installing a keyless security system for the Sheriff's Office entryways and entryway to the courthouse complexes, and

WHEREAS, the DPW Superintendent received a written quote for the full purchase and installation from LINSTAR, Inc. under New York State Contract No. PT68825 in the amount of \$18,513.00 which includes a one year maintenance agreement, and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent recommends the security system be purchased and installed, be it

RESOLVED, the DPW Superintendent is authorized to move forward with the purchase and installation of the keyless door security system as described hereon at a cost of \$18,513.00 from LINSTAR, Inc., 430 Lawrence Bell Drive, Buffalo, NY 14221 to be charged to Account No. A1620.413 IL & LP Building Projects and the County Treasurer, DPW Superintendent and Clerk of the Board be so advised.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: SNYDER AND FREY

RESOLUTION NO. 358-22

AUTHORIZING DEPOSITION OF EXCESS VEHICLES

DATED: NOVEMBER 3, 2022

BY MR. TOMLINSON:

WHEREAS, certain vehicles/equipment have become excess and no longer needed by certain County Agencies, and

WHEREAS, the County Fleet Coordinator has made the recommendation that the following equipment be disposed from the County inventory:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Make/Model</u>	<u>VIN</u>	<u>Plate#</u>	<u>Dept</u>	<u>FN</u>
2016	Ford Interceptor	1FM5K8AT5GGB64722	N/A	Sheriff	616
2011	Chev. 3500 Pickup	1GC3K2CG3BF201119	AB3258	DPW	98
1993	Cat CB534 Roller	02EG00460	N/A	DPW	316

be it

RESOLVED, the above equipment be sold by auction online by Auctions International and funds from the mentioned auction shall be a revenue credit to Account DM2665 Sale of Equipment and A2665 Sale of Equipment, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Fleet Coordinator see that proper inventory notes be recorded when the transactions are accomplished, and the Fleet Coordinator, Director of Fixed Assets, and the County Treasurer be so notified.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: SNYDER AND FREY

The Chairman stated that there is a correction in the third Whereas in the following resolution, No. 26. It's correcting the amount, but the resolved amount is correct. Mr. Tomlinson moved with the change and Mr. Rhodes seconded.

After the following resolution was placed on the floor, Mr. Eldridge stated that this was for the budget year 2023 so it will not be coming out of this year.

RESOLUTION NO. 359-22

**AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE AND INSTALL ANCILLARY EQUIPMENT FOR
SHERIFF VEHICLE - 2023**

DATED: NOVEMBER 3, 2022

BY MR. TOMLINSON:

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 289-22 authorizes the purchase of a 2023 Dodge Durango for the Sheriff's Office, and

WHEREAS, the said vehicle needs to have ancillary equipment installed such as but not limited to 2 way radios, emergency lights, sirens, etc., and

WHEREAS, the County has received a written quote for the installation of the ancillary equipment from JPJ Electronics, 1 W. Whitesboro St., Yorkville, NY in the amount of \$15,428.73, and

WHEREAS, because of the supply chain issues the Vendor needs to order parts and radios now so the ancillary parts are ready in 2023 when the vehicle is delivered, and

WHEREAS, because of the electronics that new vehicles have from the factory such as air bag components and computer controlled factory equipment the Superintendent recommends waiving the County's procurement for three written quotes, and recommends that JPJ Electronics complete the installation of the ancillary equipment, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, the Fleet Coordinator is authorized to sign a Purchase Order for the Ancillary Equipment from JPJ Electronics installed at a cost of \$15,428.73 for the budget year 2023 and the Clerk of the Board, County Sheriff and Fleet Coordinator be so notified.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: SNYDER AND FREY

RESOLUTION NO. 360-22

AUTHORIZING PAYMENT FOR LIVE FLOOR TRAILER - DPW

DATED: NOVEMBER 3, 2022

BY MR. TOMLINSON:

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 317-22 authorizes the purchase a one (1) 2023 New Trout River Live Bottom Trailer for use by DPW, and

WHEREAS, the said trailer has been picked up and inspected by the Superintendent who now recommends payment of the trailer, and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent picked the trailer up at the dealership to confirm it met specification and all functions of the trailer worked coupled to the County owned road tractor and the delivery fee of \$600.00 was credited to the invoice, be it

RESOLVED, the County Treasurer is hereby authorized to make payment to Tracey Road equipment, 6803 Manlius Center Road, East Syracuse, NY 13057 in the amount of \$114,963.00 and the funds to be taken out of Account No. A8189.0401 Solid Waste Reserve for the DPW and the County Highway Superintendent and the Clerk of the Board be so notified.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: SNYDER AND FREY

RESOLUTION NO. 361-22

APPROVAL OF PURCHASE OF 500 GALLON FUEL TANK – LONG LAKE DPW FACILITY

DATED: NOVEMBER 3, 2022

BY MR. TOMLINSON:

WHEREAS, the 2,000 gallon underground heating oil tank for the Long Lake DPW facility needed to be replaced because of age, and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent will be replacing the said underground heating oil tank with an above ground 500 gallon heating oil tank, and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent has received two (2) written quotes for a new 500-gallon aboveground Highland heating oil tank as follows –

RM Dalrymple Co. Inc, -	\$13,272.99
Yocum Full Service Inc. -	\$10,085.00

and

WHEREAS, because of almost daily price fluctuations in the purchase price the Superintendent ordered the lower priced tank from Yocum's Full Service, and

WHEREAS, during the removal of the said underground tank it is required to test the soil for past leaks by a licensed vendor and Yocum's Full Service provides this service, be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors does hereby approve the payment of the new aboveground heating tank from Yocum's Full Service in the amount of \$10,085.00 and approve Yocum's Full Service to perform the required soil testing of the site, and be it further

RESOLVED, that hereby the County Treasurer is authorized to issue a payment of \$10,085.00 to Yocum's Full Service, 5925 Morris Road, Marcy, NY 13403 to be taken out of Account No. A1620.0413 IL & LP Building Repairs and the DPW Superintendent and Clerk of the Board be so advised.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: SNYDER AND FREY

After the following resolution was placed on the floor; Mr. Rhodes stated that this locks the County in for a year. There is no way of knowing what the electric grids are going to do. Mr. Rhodes asked, the County must go out to bid for it, but National Grid doesn't bid? Mr. Eldridge explained that because of the amount of electricity the County buys they are bound by public bid statute to either bid it themselves or use someone like MEGA through NYSAC. This has been a conversation for quite a few years, and he felt that it has been difficult. He stated that sometimes National Grid isn't cheaper after locking in. The County does get a choice between 12-, 24-, 36- or 48-month contract. He gave the current rate of \$0.13534 and the County is currently paying \$0.09726 per kWh. He has been told that by December and January the number is going to go from \$0.13534 to \$.25 at least. Mr. Rhodes stated that companies have come and even to individuals claiming they can get it cheaper than National Grid but then ends up being more. Mr. Rhodes stated that he figured there was a reason for this and just wanted clarification. Mr. Farber further discussed. He also stated that he felt that they would do alright on this 12-month contract. Mr. Eldridge stated that he hated doing a yearly contract but feels it's a smart move.

RESOLUTION NO. 362-22

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHAIRMAN TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH
CONSTELLATION ENERGY SERVICES OF NEW YORK, INC. FOR 2022-2023**

DATED: NOVEMBER 3, 2022

BY MR. TOMLINSON:

WHEREAS, the County agreement with Constellation Energy Services for purchase of electricity for all County facilities expires on November 5, 2022, and

WHEREAS, Constellation Energy Services has given a proposal to the County to enter into a fixed price agreement for a period of twelve (12) months beginning November 6, 2022, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with Constellation Energy Services of New York, Inc. for a fixed price not to exceed 0.15999 kWh for a period of twelve (12) months.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: SNYDER AND FREY

RESOLUTION NO. 363-22

AUTHORIZING PAYMENT FOR PAVING – IL PARKING LOT

DATED: NOVEMBER 3, 2022

BY MR. TOMLINSON:

WHEREAS, the DPW was authorized to rehabilitate and pave the County Offices parking lot in Indian Lake, and

WHEREAS, the parking lot paving is now completed, and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent recommends payment to Gorman Brothers, Inc. for the stated paving, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer be so authorized to make payment to Gorman Brothers, Inc. as follows –

Gorman Brothers, Inc., 200 Church Street, Albany, NY 12202 in the amount of \$31,265.44 for paver and related equipment and payment be made from Account No. A1620.0413 Buildings Projects and the Clerk of the Board and DPW Superintendent be so notified.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: SNYDER AND FREY

RESOLUTION NO. 364-22

SNOW AND ICE CONTRACTS WITH TOWNS FOR THE 2022-2023 SEASON

DATED: NOVEMBER 3, 2022

BY MR. TOMLINSON:

WHEREAS, Article 6, Section 135a of the Highway Law provides that the County Highway Superintendent may contract with any town in the County for the removal of snow and ice from the County roads and for sanding or otherwise treating said roads, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Highway Superintendent be authorized to contract with the various towns of the County, upon the approval of the County Attorney, for said purposes for the said period of:

November 1, 2022 – October 31, 2023

and the County Treasurer be so advised.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: SNYDER AND FREY

RESOLUTION NO. 365-22

APPROVAL OF AUDITS IN COUNTY HIGHWAY FUNDS

DATED: NOVEMBER 3, 2022

BY MR. FARBER:

RESOLVED, that the bills in the Machinery Fund amounting to \$127,134.66 and bills in the County Road Fund amounting to \$148,848.89 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. Mauro and adopted by the following vote:

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: SNYDER AND FREY

RESOLUTION NO. 366-22

APPROVAL OF AUDITS IN THE COUNTY GENERAL FUND

DATED: NOVEMBER 3, 2022

BY MR. FARBER:

RESOLVED, that the bills audited this day in the County General Fund in the amount of \$323,775.91 by the following committees:

Public Works (Buildings) Committee.....	\$138,054.95
Public Works (Solid Waste) Committee	31,898.80
Finance Committee	65,327.89
Health Committee.....	13,446.67
Human Services Committee.....	16,375.67
Central Government Committee	11,849.81
Emergency Prep./Emergency Response.....	42,102.27
Publicity, Tourism, Economic Development & Planning Committee.....	3,891.74
Internal Management Committee	828.11

are hereby approved.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: SNYDER AND FREY

Other Reports:

Mr. Farber: Stated that he attended the Lake Champlain Lake George Camoin meeting with respect to housing. He discussed the challenges and how it's getting worse. He stated that if the Board knew of any local discussions going on around this that they should get them to Beth Gilles, Director of Lake Champlain Lake George Regional Planning Board (LCLGRPB), Ms. Wilt or himself. He also stated that the Adirondack Association Town and Villages (AATV) general membership meeting is December 4th and 5th at the Courtyard Marriot in Lake George. One of the panels there will be related to some of the housing issues. Yes, some of it will be a reiteration of the Camoin data but there will also be a panel on the Broadband/Cellular issue.

Mr. Mauro: Asked what the County Attorney's opinion was on the District Attorney's Office not submitting his vouchers to pay his bills. The Chairman stated that he would like to discuss this later.

The Chairman made a motion to enter an Executive Session for the discussion of personnel, seconded by Mr. Mauro. Carried.

A motion to open the session by Mr. Mauro, seconded by Ms. Bain. Carried.

Steve Tomlinson left the meeting.

Tracy Eldridge, Beth Hunt and Barry Baker joined the meeting.

The Chairman stated that there was no action taken in Executive Session but at this time they will be setting up a committee meeting to meet with the District Attorney to discuss his budget concerns.

Barry Baker, Budget Officer, stated that the tentative budget is out and he thinks they have ended up better off at the end of the year. With that draft of the tentative budget, they were at about 8% above with raw numbers. If one of the objectives is to stay under the tax cap, he feels that is obtainable. Expenses are up everywhere. They have discussed differences for health insurance and he believes that what he has worked into health insurance would address that adequately. He thinks he is on the high end of that so the expense should come down a little bit wherever they settle out. He stated that on the revenue side he feels that the County will be up substantially above what the projections were for sales tax. He thinks they will probably top out at \$5Million or more. He feels they need to have a similar conversation for 2023. He feels his number is conservative. If they were to leave the number flat for 2023 then they would be under the tax cap. He also stated that if one of the objectives was to work on the compensation piece then that is also possible. They have ARPA funds and they could stay under the tax cap.

As there was no further business, the Chairman recessed the meeting until November 7, 2022 at 10:30 AM.