

2014

FOURTH SESSION

APRIL 3, 2014

The Board convened at 10:30 A.M. in the Supervisors' Chambers at the Court House, Lake Pleasant, New York, with the Chairman, William G. Farber presiding. Mr. Farber led the members of the Board of Supervisors in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, and an opening prayer.

The Clerk, Mrs. Laura Abrams, called the roll with the following Supervisors answering:

Arietta	Richard A. Wilt
Benson	Phillip C. Snyder
Hope	Robert Edwards
Indian Lake	Brian Wells
Inlet	John Frey
Lake Pleasant	Neil P. McGovern
Long Lake	Clark J. Seaman
Morehouse	William G. Farber
Wells	Brian Towers

Also present: County Attorney, Caitlyn Stewart, Lenny Croote, Amy Taylor and Pete Klein

A motion was made to accept the minutes of January 6, 2014 and February 6, 2014 by Mr. McGovern, seconded by Mr. Wells. Carried.

Public Comment: Caitlyn Stewart of the Hamilton County Soil & Water Conservation District updated the Board on their spring programs.

Report of Standings/Special Committees:

Mr. Towers: Next week is Local Government Day, he encouraged everyone to attend. Mr. Towers reported that Mr. Farber and Mr. Wells met with Tracy Eldridge regarding streamlining his departments.

Mr. Frey: Applauded the State for adopting the budget on time, but is still not happy about them not rolling back unfunded mandates. The Chairman reported that NYSAC put forward an alternative to the property tax freeze. Discussion continued.

Mr. Wilt: Asked for support for Resolution No. 7 on the agenda regarding the RFP for engineering services.

Mr. Edwards: The Internal Management Committee met and approved merit, asked for support for the resolution.

Mr. Wells: Met with the Chairman and Tracy Eldridge regarding streamlining the departments. The Chairman stated that this is a unique situation as Mr. Eldridge is the head of multiple departments.

Mr. McGovern: Reported that ROOST is very active. Dean went and met with them this week. Mr. McGovern further reported that the Sportsman Representative for the Fish and Wildlife Board will not be able to serve. He will ask the alternate if he is willing to serve, then we will need to find a replacement for the alternate.

The Chairman introduced the District Attorney Marsha K. Purdue for a department update. Ms. Purdue praised her staff and reported on the meetings and trainings she has attended. She further reported that there is a new crime she has been dealing with, children sending nude photos over the internet, several people are working together to educate the kids about this. She further reported that there is a mock DWI scheduled; Indian Lake and Long Lake are participating. Ms. Purdue stated that everything is running smoothly and she has been under budget.

Ms. Purdue left at this time.

The Chairman introduced Probation Director Amy Taylor for a department update.

Ms. Taylor reported that they have 36 probationers. The Department of Social Services has taken over as the lead agency for PINS. Ms. Taylor further reported that DEA contacted her to do a meth training. The training will be done in two separate groups, Probation, Sheriff and District Attorney will be one training and EMS and Fire will be another. Ms. Taylor further reported that she plans on attending the Probation Directors' Conference in Niagara Falls. Ms. Taylor reviewed more training for her department. Ms. Taylor left after her presentation.

RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION NO. 88-14

RE-SCHEDULING APRIL & MAY COMMITTEE DAYS

DATED: APRIL 3, 2014

BY MR. WILT:

WHEREAS, the April Committee Day falls on the day after Easter, and

WHEREAS, the May Committee Day falls on Memorial Day, be it

RESOLVED, that the April Committee Day will be held on Tuesday, April 22, 2014, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the May Committee Day will be held on Tuesday, May 27, 2014.

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

AYES: WILT, SNYDER, EDWARDS, WELLS, FREY, MCGOVERN, SEAMAN,
FARBER AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 89-14

FUNDING MICROFILM ACCOUNT – COUNTY CLERK

DATED: APRIL 3, 2014

BY MR. EDWARDS:

WHEREAS, County Clerk Jane Zarecki met with the Central Government Committee and requested funding for her record management plan, and

WHEREAS, Ms. Zarecki explained that there was a balance left in her 2013 Microfilm Account due to the fact that they were unable to use the funds as planned, and

WHEREAS, Ms. Zarecki would now like to complete the project, plus the additional filming of 4 Mortgagee books, be it

RESOLVED, that \$4,640.00 be transferred from the Unappropriated General Fund Balance in accordance with Section 366 Subdivision 1 of the County Law to Account No. A1410.406 Microfilm to cover said project.

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

AYES: WILT, SNYDER, EDWARDS, WELLS, FREY, MCGOVERN, SEAMAN,
FARBER AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 90-14

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

DATED: APRIL 3, 2014

BY MR. MCGOVERN:

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

WHEREAS, Grant PS12-1010-D00 has now been fully executed, be it

RESOLVED, that Account No. A3645.404 DHSES PS12-1010-D00 be created and funded at \$144,472.00 to be totally offset by creating and funding Revenue Account No. A4389.112 PS12-1010-D00 in the amount of \$144,472.00 and the County Treasurer be so authorized.

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

AYES: WILT, SNYDER, EDWARDS, WELLS, FREY, MCGOVERN, SEAMAN,
FARBER AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 91-14

**FUNDING ACCOUNT FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT'S DEPARTMENT OF
HOMELAND SECURITY & EMERGENCY SERVICES GRANT SH13-1024-D00**

DATED: APRIL 3, 2014

BY MR. MCGOVERN:

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 337-13 adopted December 20, 2013 authorized EM DHSES Grant SH13-1024-D00 in the amount of \$50,000.00, and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 337-13 stated that Grant SH13-1024-D00 would be used for the purpose of purchasing dive equipment for surveillance and control of dams within Hamilton County and build-out of Sheriff's Office county radio system to comply with P25 interoperability, and

WHEREAS, Don Purdy discussed with and got the approval of the Emergency Prep./Emergency Response Committee to use the grant for forced entry training for the Fire Departments and Sheriff's Office and spill cleanup equipment, not the build-out of Sheriff's Office county radio system, and

WHEREAS, Grant SH13-1024-D00 has now been fully executed, be it

RESOLVED, that Account No. A3645.403 DHSES SH13-1024-D00 be created and funded at \$50,000.00 to be totally offset by creating and funding Revenue Account No. A4389.111 SH13-1024-D00 in the amount of \$50,000.00 and the County Treasurer be so authorized.

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

AYES: WILT, SNYDER, EDWARDS, WELLS, FREY, MCGOVERN, SEAMAN,
FARBER AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 92-14

**AUTHORIZING COMMUNITY SERVICES PLANNING DAY AT MINNOWBROOK
CONFERENCE CENTER**

DATED: APRIL 3, 2014

BY MR. SEAMAN:

WHEREAS, Hamilton County Community Services (HCCS) is continually developing its strategic plan to provide mental hygiene and related programs and supports to the residents of the County, and

WHEREAS, Hamilton County Community Services operates several programs that specifically focus on youth, including the Hamilton County Youth Board, school and community-based prevention programs and behavioral health services, and

WHEREAS, Hamilton County Community Services proposes to sponsor a planning day at the Minnowbrook Conference Center in Blue Mountain Lake, NY on June 13, 2014 for the purpose of engaging key leaders concerned with youth services in the County in the development of goals and objective to enhance services to that population, and

WHEREAS, it is expected that the number of participants will not exceed forty at a cost of \$30.00 per person, be it

RESOLVED, that Hamilton County will host the meeting, at a cost of \$30 per participant, with a cost not to exceed \$1200, to be charged to Mental Health Account No. A4320.407 Outreach.

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

AYES: WILT, SNYDER, EDWARDS, WELLS, FREY, MCGOVERN, SEAMAN,
FARBER AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

The Chairman explained that Resolution No. 6 on the agenda will be removed because Mr. Eldridge has determined that it would be best to fill this position with a part-time employee that already works for the County. This will be replaced by Resolution No. 12 on the agenda.

RESOLUTION NO. 93-14

AUTHORIZATION FOR COMMUNICATIONS RFP

DATED: APRIL 3, 2014

BY MR. WILT:

WHEREAS, Hamilton County has received a grant for \$2,530,385.00, for Interoperable Communications, and

WHEREAS, Don Purdy, has begun to engage Engineering, design support from potential vendors, with the assistance of our current consultant, and

WHEREAS, their initial interviews and research, has identified the need to move to the next phase of review through a formal RFP process for this service, and

WHEREAS, the need to proceed in this manner has been confirmed by NYS and is recommended by the Committee, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Don Purdy is hereby authorized to advertise for Proposals, for this Professional Service, with Sealed Proposals to be submitted to the Clerk of the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors by 10:00 AM on Tuesday, April 22, 2014, with the opening to follow, and be it further

RESOLVED, that said Request for Proposals will seek the services of an experienced firm, to provide the said services, with the County evaluating proposals on relevant experience, competency, as well as value, but not on price alone, and be it also

RESOLVED, that the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors, will retain the right to reject any and all bids, as the Board of Supervisors deems in the best interest of the County, pursuant to the Hamilton County Procurement Policy.

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

AYES: WILT, SNYDER, EDWARDS, WELLS, FREY, MCGOVERN, SEAMAN,
FARBER AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 94-14

BURIAL POLICY – SOCIAL SERVICES

DATED: APRIL 3, 2014

BY MR. SEAMAN:

RESOLVED, that effective April 3, 2014 the Commissioner of Social Services be and is hereby authorized and directed to pay for the burials of Indigent Persons as follows:

- Maximum funeral fee of \$1,600.00 adult, \$500 child age 6 or under (including stillborn)
- Maximum cremation fee of \$900.00 (said fee includes all funeral expenses except a vault, for which an additional \$900.00 is authorized and grave opening, for which another \$300 is authorized)
- Crematory fees or grave purchases will be paid at actual cost and mileage will be reimbursed at the current IRS rate outside the county limits per loaded mile

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the Indigent Funeral Policy until further amendment.

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

AYES: WILT, SNYDER, EDWARDS, WELLS, FREY, MCGOVERN, SEAMAN,
FARBER AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 95-14

NRA INSTRUCTOR COURSE EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT

DATED: APRIL 3, 2014

BY MR. EDWARDS:

WHEREAS, Deputy Corey J. Hutchins attended the NRA Instructor Pistol Shooting Course on March 29, 2014 at the Oneida Rifle Club, and

WHEREAS, Deputy Corey J. Hutchins drove his personal vehicle to the Oneida Rifle Club on March 28, 2014 for a total of 230 miles roundtrip and purchased lunch on March 30, 2014 for \$8.20, and

WHEREAS, the course required, upon qualifying, a credit card payment for the final NRA Credential Fee in the amount of \$50.00, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer is hereby authorized to reimburse Deputy Corey J. Hutchins in the amount of \$187.00 from the Hamilton County Sheriff's Account No. A3110.408, Law Enforcement Schools for his expenses related to the NRA Instructor Pistol Shooting Course that he attended on March 29, 2014.

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

AYES: WILT, SNYDER, EDWARDS, WELLS, FREY, MCGOVERN, SEAMAN,
FARBER AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 96-14

**AUTHORIZING CONTRACT FOR HIV COUNSELING AND TESTING AS WELL AS
STD DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT BETWEEN PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING
SERVICE AND ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL AMSTERDAM**

DATED: APRIL 3, 2014

BY MR. SEAMAN:

WHEREAS, Sate Public Law, Section 225 (4), 2311 and New York State Health Department (NYSHD) Regulation Part 23 State Sanitary Code, provide for diagnosis and treatment of (STD) sexually transmitted diseases, and

WHEREAS, the NYSHD is requiring local availability of HIV testing and counseling for the AIDS virus, and

WHEREAS, providers approved to provide these services within Hamilton County are very limited, and

WHEREAS, St. Mary's Hospital, located in Amsterdam, NY is willing to provide these services for residents of Hamilton County who are underinsured or uninsured and in need of clinic services, and

WHEREAS, Hamilton County will be billed at the clinic Medicaid per visit rate as well as prescribed medications based upon an itemized statement and DC103 form, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors is authorized to enter into a contract with St. Mary's Hospital, Amsterdam, Attn: Nancy Collins, Director Primary and Specialty Care, 380 Guy Park Avenue, Amsterdam, NY 12010, and Hamilton County by and through its Public Health Department to provide said services for the period January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014.

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

AYES: WILT, SNYDER, EDWARDS, WELLS, FREY, MCGOVERN, SEAMAN,
FARBER AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 97-14

**AUTHORIZING PAYMENT FOR THRUWAY TOLLS FOR TRANSPORT OF
ELECTRONIC RECYCLABLES**

DATED: APRIL 3, 2014

BY MR. TOWERS:

WHEREAS, the County transports electronic recyclables to Sunnking Electronics located in Brockport, NY, via the New York State Thruway, and

WHEREAS, the County Solid Waste Coordinator, Tracy Eldridge gives the driver cash to pay for the toll charges to and from Sunnking, and

WHEREAS, the toll charge for one direction to Sunnking is \$30.10 for a total toll charge of \$60.20, be it

RESOLVED, that the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors do hereby authorize payment of \$60.20 from Account No. A8160.403 Hauling to Tracy Eldridge for the reimbursement of toll charges for the transport of electronic recyclables and the County Treasurer be so authorized and the Clerk of the Board and County Solid Waste Coordinator be so advised.

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

AYES: WILT, SNYDER, EDWARDS, WELLS, FREY, MCGOVERN, SEAMAN,
FARBER AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 98-14

AUTHORIZATION OF ADDITIONAL HOURS FOR PART TIME EMPLOYEE

DATED: APRIL 3, 2014

BY MR. SNYDER:

WHEREAS, the Buildings Department is in need of additional help for the cleaning of the Lake Pleasant Court House and facilities, and

WHEREAS, there is a current part-time employee, Marjorie Remias, that is interested in fulfilling this need for the Buildings Department, and

WHEREAS, the said employee's current work schedule is twenty one (21) hours per week within the Personnel Office as a Clerk, and

WHEREAS, the Buildings Superintendent recommends the work schedule for Marjorie Remias be extended temporarily to work up to sixteen (16) hours per week for the Buildings Department as a Cleaner until June 20, 2014, and then up to eight (8) hours per week until October 1, 2014, be it

RESOLVED, the Buildings Superintendent is hereby authorized to add sixteen (16) hours per week, effective April 7, 2014, to the work schedule of Marjorie Remias, at Cleaner Step Hire Rate including merit and the County Treasurer be so authorized and the Personnel Officer and Clerk of the Board be so notified.

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

AYES: WILT, SNYDER, EDWARDS, WELLS, FREY, MCGOVERN, SEAMAN,
FARBER AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 99-14

APPROVAL OF AND TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR 2014 MERIT PAY

DATED: APRIL 3, 2014

BY MR. TOWERS:

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

WHEREAS, the Internal Management Committee met on March 24, 2014 to review merit evaluations, be it

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

HIGHWAY

Kim Mitchell	April 6, 2014 to April 6, 2015	\$1.54
Mark Stuart	April 14, 2014 to April 14, 2015	\$1.65

TOURISM

Dean Nervik April 1, 2014 to April 1, 2015 \$1.32

SHERIFF

Stephen Jaquish April 6, 2014 to April 6, 2015 \$1.43

PERSONNEL

Marjorie Remias March 13, 2014 to March 13, 2015 \$1.65

DISTRICT ATTORNEY

Connie Mahoney March 10, 2014 to March 10, 2015 \$1.65

NURSING

Tracey Hunt April 25, 2014 to April 25, 2015 \$1.54

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the following transfers be made to cover the above 2014 merit pay:

FROM:	A1990.402	Contingent for Merit	\$19,139.89
TO:	D5110.101	Personal Services	\$3,215.52
	A1620.105	Senior Custodian	\$3,252.48
	A8020.102	Admin. Asst. to Director	\$2,358.51
	A3150.105	Correction Officer E	\$2,926.00
	A1430.102	Clerk Part-Time	\$1,559.25
	A1165.105	Account Clerk	\$3,014.55
	A4010.105	Registered Professional Nurse #2	\$2,813.58

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

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

AYES: WILT, SNYDER, EDWARDS, WELLS, FREY, MCGOVERN, SEAMAN,
FARBER AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 100-14

APPROVAL OF AUDITS IN COUNTY HIGHWAY FUNDS

DATED: APRIL 3, 2014

BY MR. TOWERS:

RESOLVED, that the bills in the Machinery Fund amounting to \$99,101.01 and bills in the County Road Fund amounting to \$97,924.13 presented by the County Superintendent of Highways and audited this day by the County Public Works Committee, be, and the same hereby are approved and audited.

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

AYES: WILT, SNYDER, EDWARDS, WELLS, FREY, MCGOVERN, SEAMAN,
FARBER AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 101-14

APPROVAL OF AUDITS IN THE COUNTY GENERAL FUND

DATED: APRIL 3, 2014

BY MR. FREY:

RESOLVED, that the bills audited this day in the County General Fund in the amount of \$271,222.25 by the following committees:

Building Committee	\$19,062.42
Public Works (Solid Waste) Committee	8,353.49
Finance Committee	108,832.24
Health Committee.....	28,024.47
Human Services Committee.....	39,442.89
Central Government Committee	21,761.98
Emergency Prep./Emergency Response.....	10,686.21
Publicity, Tourism, Economic Development & Planning Committee.....	33,671.67
Internal Management Committee	1,386.88

are hereby approved.

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

AYES: WILT, SNYDER, EDWARDS, WELLS, FREY, MCGOVERN, SEAMAN,
FARBER AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

Other Reports:

Mr. Edwards: Stated that the reports from the two departments today were very worthwhile. He would like to see more. The Chairman explained that we started last year bringing in the departments to give updates. It is very good information to have when doing the budget. Mr. Mezzano is going to start meeting with the departments soon to discuss the budget. Mr. Edwards further reported that he attended Intercounty with Mr. Snyder. The Chairman stated that Intercounty is looking into changing their meeting date to the 3rd Thursday of the month. The Chairman also reported that Franklin and St. Lawrence will also be hosting meetings so the yearly schedule will change.

Mr. Wells: Thanked everyone for their sympathies at the passing of his father.

Mr. McGovern: WIB had a successful meeting with employers and employees in Indian Lake. They will be doing a similar meeting at Oak Mt. on May 8th. Mr. McGovern further reported that May 7th is Community Pride Clean-Up Day.

The Chairman reported that there is a Regional Council meeting tomorrow. The opening of CFAs might be earlier this year. We need to be proactive with shared services; the Chairman encouraged everyone to get their ideas to Mr. Eldridge.

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