

2016

SECOND SESSION

FEBRUARY 4, 2016

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 C. Edwards
Indian Lake	Brian Wells
Inlet	John Frey
Lake Pleasant	Daniel Wilt
Long Lake	Clark J. Seaman
Morehouse	William G. Farber
Wells	Brian E. Towers

Also present: County Attorney, Tracy Eldridge, Don Rhodes, Lenny Croote, Pete Klein and a Bidder

A motion was made to accept the minutes of January 7, 2016 by Mr. Frey, seconded by Mr. Edwards. Mr. D. Wilt reported a typo on page 34 of 39 and will email it to the Clerk of the Board. Carried.

Public Comment: Mr. Croote from Hamilton County Soil and Water Conservation District handed out their 2015 Annual Report.

Bid Opening:

Bid Proposal – Hamilton County Phase III Fuel Consolidation Project

Superintendent Eldridge stated that he will read off the total sum and then the total with deductions.

1. Orchard Earth & Pipe Corp.	\$1,233,040.00
With deductions	\$ 955,938.00
2. Paragon Environmental Const.	\$1,092,987.00
With deductions	\$ 938,150.00
3. Environmental & Fuel Systems	\$ 862,800.00
With deductions	\$ 730,808.00
4. LaValley Bros. Const.	\$ 721,629.00
With deductions	\$ 623,080.00

A motion was made to accept the bids and refer them to committee by Mr. Towers, seconded by Mr. Frey. Carried.

Superintendent Eldridge will take the bids back to his office to review and will have our engineer Mr. Rhodes review them. He will then set up a Public Works committee meeting within the next few weeks to discuss.

Reports of Standings/Special Committees:

Mr. Towers: He and Mr. Wells attended the Local Government Review Board in Keene Valley. They discussed the SLMP with regards to Essex Chain and bike cycling on non-native materials. They also discussed primitive tent sites in regards to boat launches and lean-tos.

Mr. Wells felt the discussion was lost in regards to the primitive tent sites due to all the proposed changes that were discussed in the SLMP. If anyone gets a chance please look at the plan because he has some issues with the RV parking in wild forest. Jason Kemper has issues with the boat launches, his concerns are specific to the SLMP.

The Chairman stated the general concern is the implementation it could have with Raquette Lake and with boat launches and lean-to issues.

Mr. Towers reported that he and Mr. Edwards attended Inter-County in Lowville. They had a presentation from Kraft's Philadelphia Cream Cheese facility. They are doing a major expansion and creating 150 new jobs. There was some discussion on minimum wage which they are strongly opposed to. They also discussed the dissolution of County IDAs and being replaced by CFAs. They are asking for County support through resolutions for their local IDAs.

The Chairman reported that he was unaware of this. He was attending NYSAC at the time and it was never brought up. They were looking for support on bonding issues and that was all he knew of.

Mr. Towers stated the proposed changes by DEC of the 480A program did not make it through the Executive budget so they are working with some other associations to get them support.

Mr. R. Wilt: Monday at 10:00 AM there will be a meeting with Mark Hoppe from Blue Wing to discuss East Mountain.

On Wednesday at 10:00 AM he has a conference call with Frontier to discuss addressing and PSAP.

The renovations are almost done at the jail; they are working on re-engineering some beams.

Mr. Wells: Reported Fred Monroe's retirement party was well attended.

The Chairman attended the joint Inter-County meeting yesterday with Kevin King as presenter for Taste of NY and the minimum wage issue did come up.

RESOLUTIONS:

The Chairman explained the following is a replacement resolution that was passed out for resolution number one.

RESOLUTION NO. 41-16

**SUPPORTING THE ADIRONDACK TRAIL TOWNS INITIATIVE AND
AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN TO DEVELOP AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION
TO NYS DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION FOR A SMART
GROWTH IMPLEMENTATION GRANT**

DATED: FEBRUARY 4, 2016

BY MR. FREY:

WHEREAS, Hamilton County, New York is committed to advancing economic development across the Adirondack Park consistent with its leadership in developing ADVANTAGE Adirondacks Economic Development Strategy, and

WHEREAS, the Adirondack Trail Towns Initiative is a catalyst project identified in ADVANTAGE Adirondacks that will meet the special needs of the Adirondacks, address smart growth principles, support a sustainable economy and create opportunities for residents, communities and small businesses, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of Hamilton County Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized to develop and submit a 2015 Adirondack Park Smart Growth Implementation application to NYS Department of Environmental Conservation on or before February 12, 2016 on behalf of the County and its partners Parkwide to implement the Adirondack Trail Towns Initiative, and be it further

RESOLVED, that Hamilton County is the lead organization for this application and will “assume the responsibility for the project application, performance of work consistent with the RFA submitted to NYS DEC and of the State of New York Master Contract for Grants or A Letter of Agreement.”

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

AYES: R. WILT, SNYDER, EDWARDS, WELLS, FREY, D. WILT, SEAMAN, FARBER
AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 42-16

**AUTHORIZING CHAIRMAN TO EXECUTE AGREEMENT WITH THE
ADIRONDACK PARK LOCAL GOVERNMENT REVIEW BOARD – 2016**

DATED: FEBRUARY 4, 2016

BY MR. TOWERS:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chairman is hereby authorized to execute an Agreement with the Adirondack Park Local Government Review Board for the 2016 appropriation in the amount

of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00), charging Account No. A6326.403, and is hereby approved for payment and the County Treasurer be so advised.

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

AYES: R. WILT, SNYDER, EDWARDS, WELLS, FREY, D. WILT, SEAMAN, FARBER
AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 43-16

2016 BUDGET - TRANSFER OF FUNDS

DATED: FEBRUARY 4, 2016

BY MR. SNYDER:

WHEREAS, several small changes have been identified as necessary in the 2016 Budget, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that that the County Treasurer be hereby authorized to make the following transfers in the 2016 Budget:

FROM:

Account No. A1990.401 Contingent	\$2,404.00
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TO:

A4010.0115 Cert. HHA North	\$1,202.00
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A4010.0116 Cert. HHA South	\$1,202.00
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Seconded by Mr. Frey and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: R. WILT, SNYDER, EDWARDS, WELLS, FREY, D. WILT, SEAMAN, FARBER
AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 44-16

**AUTHORIZING CHAIRMAN TO SIGN CONTRACT WITH ABSOLUTE AUCTIONS
& REALTY, INC. FOR PROPERTY AUCTION**

DATED: FEBRUARY 4, 2016

BY MR. FREY:

WHEREAS, the County of Hamilton had success in a property tax auction in 2015 with Haroff Auction & Realty, Inc., and

WHEREAS, Hamilton County now has nine (9) properties in the County's name and is responsible for the school taxes on these parcels, and

WHEREAS, at the end of 2015, Linda Haroff of Haroff Auction & Realty, Inc. sold the shares of Haroff Auction & Realty, Inc. to their partner Absolute Auction and Realty, Inc. (AAR), and therefore, we will be working with AAR to conduct our auction this year, and

WHEREAS, since the two auction companies were partners in the past, we will continue to work with the same experienced staff that we are familiar with, be it

RESOLVED, that the County of Hamilton contract with Absolute Auctions & Realty, Inc. to hold a property auction on our behalf to be held in conjunction with Fulton County's tax property auction of June 15, 2016 to be held in Johnstown, NY, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the contract will cover two years, terminating on December 31, 2017 with the option of a one year extension at the mutual consent of both parties, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board is authorized to sign a contract with Absolute Auction & Realty, Inc.

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

AYES: R. WILT, SNYDER, EDWARDS, WELLS, FREY, D. WILT, SEAMAN, FARBER AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 45-16

**FUNDING ACCOUNT FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT'S DEPARTMENT OF
HOMELAND SECURITY & EMERGENCY SERVICES GRANT
PS12-1010-D00 - 2016 BUDGET**

DATED: FEBRUARY 4, 2016

BY MR. R. WILT:

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, the funding has not been entirely spent, be it

RESOLVED, that Account No. A3645.0404 DHSES PS12-1010-D00 be funded at \$143,972.51 to be totally offset by funding Revenue Account No. A4389.112 PS12-1010-D00 in the amount of \$143,972.51 and the County Treasurer be so authorized.

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

AYES: R. WILT, SNYDER, EDWARDS, WELLS, FREY, D. WILT, SEAMAN, FARBER
AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

After the following resolution was placed on the floor; the Chairman explained there are a number of these resolutions because there is money from the grants that was not spent. This is to carry over the money into the new fiscal year.

RESOLUTION NO. 46-16

**FUNDING ACCOUNT FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT'S OFFICE OF
HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES GRANT SH13-1024-D00 –
2016 BUDGET**

DATED: FEBRUARY 4, 2016

BY MR. FREY:

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 337-13 authorized Hamilton County Emergency Management DHSES Grant SH13-1024-D00 in the amount of \$50,000.00 for forced entry training for the Fire Departments and Sheriff's Office and spill cleanup equipment, and

WHEREAS, the funding has not been entirely spent, be it

RESOLVED, that Account No. A3645.0403 DHSES SH13-1024-D00 be funded at \$2,810.17 to be totally offset by funding Revenue Account No. A4389.111 SH13-1024-D00 at \$2,810.17 and the County Treasurer be so authorized.

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

AYES: R. WILT, SNYDER, EDWARDS, WELLS, FREY, D. WILT, SEAMAN, FARBER
AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 47-16

**FUNDING ACCOUNT FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT'S OFFICE OF
HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES GRANT SH14-1021-D00 –
2016 BUDGET**

DATED: FEBRUARY 4, 2016

BY MR. R. WILT:

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 244-14 authorized Hamilton County Emergency Management DHSES Grant SH14-1021-D00 in the amount of \$50,000.00 for the purpose of purchasing EMS training equipment and software, and

WHEREAS, the funding has not been spent, be it

RESOLVED, that Account No. A3645.0407 DHSES SH14-1021-D00 be funded at \$50,000.00 to be totally offset by funding Revenue Account No. A4389.114 SH14-1021-D00 at \$50,000.00 and the County Treasurer be so authorized.

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

AYES: R. WILT, SNYDER, EDWARDS, WELLS, FREY, D. WILT, SEAMAN, FARBER
AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 48-16

**FUNDING ACCOUNT FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT'S OFFICE OF
HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES GRANT SH15-1010-D00 –
2016 BUDGET**

DATED: FEBRUARY 4, 2016

BY MR. R. WILT:

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 237-15 authorized Hamilton County Emergency Management DHSES Grant SH15-1010-D00 in the amount of \$50,000, and

WHEREAS, the funding has not been spent, be it

RESOLVED, that Account No. A3645.0409 DHSES SH15-1010-D00 be funded at \$50,000.00 to be totally offset by funding Revenue Account No. A4389.116 SH15-1010-D00 at \$50,000.00 and the County Treasurer be so authorized.

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

AYES: R. WILT, SNYDER, EDWARDS, WELLS, FREY, D. WILT, SEAMAN, FARBER
AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 49-16

**FUNDING ACCOUNT FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT'S OFFICE NYS
DIVISION OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES GRANT SI13-
1010-D00 – 2016 BUDGET**

DATED: FEBRUARY 4, 2016

BY MR. SNYDER:

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 105-14 authorized Hamilton County Emergency Management DHSES Grant SI13-1010-D00 in the amount of \$2,530,385.00 for Statewide Interoperable Communications, and

WHEREAS, the funding has not been entirely spent, be it

RESOLVED, that Account No. A3645.0406 Statewide Communications Grant be funded at \$2,289,808.24 to be totally offset by funding Revenue Account No. A3389.300 at \$2,289,808.24 and the County Treasurer be so authorized.

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

AYES: R. WILT, SNYDER, EDWARDS, WELLS, FREY, D. WILT, SEAMAN, FARBER
AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 50-16

2015 TRANSFER OF FUNDS – SHERIFF

DATED: FEBRUARY 4, 2016

BY MR. FREY:

WHEREAS, there are shortages in the Sheriff's account, be it

RESOLVED, that the Count Treasurer be authorized to make the following transfer:

FROM:

A3110.105 – Deputy Sheriff D \$4,260.00

TO:

A3110.202 – Automobile \$4,260.00

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

AYES: R. WILT, SNYDER, EDWARDS, WELLS, FREY, D. WILT, SEAMAN, FARBER
AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 51-16

2015 TRANSFER OF FUNDS – CORRECTIONS

DATED: FEBRUARY 4, 2016

BY MR. WELLS:

WHEREAS, due to the payment of benefit time to Dan Moran there will be a shortage of funds in Corrections Account No. A3150.0101, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that \$4,777.20 be transferred from Account No. 1990.0401 Contingent to Corrections Account No. A3150.0101 Correction Officer A to cover said payment.

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

AYES: R. WILT, SNYDER, EDWARDS, WELLS, FREY, D. WILT, SEAMAN, FARBER AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 52-16

AUTHORIZING REIMBURSEMENT OF TUITION COSTS – PENNY WARRINGTON

DATED: FEBRUARY 4, 2016

BY MR. SEAMAN:

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors has received a request from the Director of Public Health to reimburse tuition costs for Penny Warrington, and

WHEREAS, the Director of Public Health and the Health Committee have agreed that it is necessary for Penny Warrington to get this additional education, and

WHEREAS, this request for reimbursement complies with Section 817 of the Employee Handbook, and fits into Category 2 of the Board's determined guidelines, and

WHEREAS, said education was completed on the employee's own time, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer is hereby authorized to reimburse Penny Warrington \$3,542.40 for Fall 2015 tuition, upon receipt of a signed voucher which includes documentation of the expenses as well as copies of the agreement or repay such reimbursement should Ms. Warrington fail to complete three years as Director of Patient Services, as set forth in Section 817 of the Employee Handbook, being filed with the Public Health Director and the Personnel Officer.

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

AYES: R. WILT, SNYDER, EDWARDS, WELLS, FREY, D. WILT, SEAMAN, FARBER
AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 53-16

**AGREEMENT WITH HAMILTON COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING
SERVICE/HOME HEALTH AGENCY & DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES**

DATED: FEBRUARY 4, 2016

BY MR. SEAMAN:

BE IT RESOLVED, the Chairman of the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized to sign an agreement on behalf of the Hamilton County Public Health Nursing Service/Home Health Agency with the Department of Social Services to provide services to Medicaid recipients including Personal Care services for the period of August 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016.

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

AYES: R. WILT, SNYDER, EDWARDS, WELLS, FREY, D. WILT, SEAMAN, FARBER
AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 54-16

2016 HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

DATED: FEBRUARY 4, 2016

BY MR. D. WILT:

WHEREAS, there was no amount budgeted in the 2016 Hamilton County Department of Social Services budget for Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP) Account No. A6141.401 to cover Renter's Benefits, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Appropriation Account No. A6141.401 HEAP, be increased by One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00) to be totally offset by increasing Revenue Account A4641 HEAP by the same amount and the County Treasurer be so authorized.

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

AYES: R. WILT, SNYDER, EDWARDS, WELLS, FREY, D. WILT, SEAMAN, FARBER
AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

After the following resolution was placed on the floor; Mr. R. Wilt asked why it still has the Speculator Office in it; he thought it was closing.

The Chairman stated it is in there because we are still in that office until April.

RESOLUTION NO. 55-16

**CONTRACT WITH CITIZEN ADVOCATES, INC. TO PROVIDE LICENSED
ADMINISTRATIVE AND MANAGEMENT SUPPORT FOR THE DELIVERY OF
SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT SERVICES BY HAMILTON COUNTY
COMMUNITY SERVICES**

DATED: FEBRUARY 4, 2016

BY MR. SEAMAN:

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Community Services Board and the Hamilton County Community Services Department (HCCS) has identified a need for substance abuse services in Hamilton County, and

WHEREAS, Citizen Advocates Inc. of Franklin County, DBA North Star Chemical Dependency Services, has agreed to maintain licensed substance abuse clinics at the Indian Lake and Speculator offices of HCCS, and

WHEREAS, Citizens Advocates, Inc. will provide administrative and management support to HCCS clinical staff co-located at these locations such that HCCS clinical staff can provide both mental health and licensed substance abuse services to Hamilton County residents, and

WHEREAS, this administrative and management support will include operational management of the substance abuse clinics, supervision of county clinical staff for the provision of substance abuse services, quarterly utilization of services reports to the Local Government Unit and other supports as necessary to comply with applicable state and federal regulations, be it

RESOLVED, that a contract with Citizens Advocates Inc. of Franklin County, in the amount of \$3,218.00 be made, and the Chairman be authorized to sign said contract upon approval of the County Attorney, for the purpose of operating this Clinic, to be paid in monthly installments, and be it

RESOLVED, that said contract would be in effect from February 1, 2016 until December 31, 2016, following the mutually agreed upon termination of the existing contract between Hamilton County and Citizen Advocates Inc. of Franklin County, and the County Treasurer be so advised.

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

AYES: R. WILT, SNYDER, EDWARDS, WELLS, FREY, D. WILT, SEAMAN, FARBER
AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 56-16

AUTHORIZING REPAIRS TO SOLID WASTE EJECTOR TRAILER #956

DATED: FEBRUARY 4, 2016

BY MR. WELLS:

WHEREAS, the Solid Waste Department owns a 1999 Steco ejector trailer that is part of the original Solid Waste trailer fleet and is in need of major repair in and around the fifth wheel plate and bulk head, and

WHEREAS, the Coordinator had trailer #956 taken to Sowle Autobody Corp. to try to get an estimate for the repairs needed, and

WHEREAS, it is difficult to get accurate quotes and find vendors able to make such repairs in these situations because in many circumstances the unit needs to be torn down to get the scope of the repair needed, and

WHEREAS, the estimate to repair trailer #956 is \$8,200.00, be it

RESOLVED, that hereby the County Solid Waste Coordinator is authorized to have the repairs done by Sowle Autobody Corp. of 3956 State Hwy. 30A, Fultonville, NY 12072 to trailer #956 and it will be charge against Account No. DM5130.401 Repairs and the County Treasurer, Solid Waste Coordinator and Clerk of the Board be so notified.

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

AYES: R. WILT, SNYDER, EDWARDS, WELLS, FREY, D. WILT, SEAMAN, FARBER
AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 57-16

AWARD OF BID FOR SPECIFICATION NO. 1-2016 2500HD PICKUP TRUCKS

DATED: FEBRUARY 4, 2016

BY MR. FREY:

WHEREAS, the Public Works Committee authorized the County Highway Superintendent to advertise for bids for the purchase of New 2016 Model Year 2500 HD Pickup Trucks, and

WHEREAS, two (2) bids were received for 2016 Model Year 2500 HD Pickup Trucks in accordance with Specification No. 1-2016 as advertised by the Highway Superintendent and Public Works Committee, and

WHEREAS, the following bids were received:

1. Carbone Auto Group
5194 Commercial Dr., Yorkville, NY 13495

Configuration A Bid Price - \$31,276.00
Configuration B Bid Price - \$37,754.00
Configuration C Bid Price - \$30,078.00

2. Mangino Chevrolet
4447 State Highway 30, Amsterdam, NY 12010

Configuration A Bid Price - \$31,545.00
Configuration B Bid Price - \$39,390.00
Configuration C Bid Price - \$30,150.00

and

WHEREAS, the Fleet Coordinator has determined that the low bids by Carbone Auto Group of Yorkville does meet specifications for all configurations and recommends the award be made to Carbone Auto Group, be it

RESOLVED, that the award be made to Carbone Auto Group, 5194 Commercial Drive, Yorkville, NY 13495, NY as follows:

2016 Chevrolet Silverado 2500 HD Pickup Trucks as specified
Configuration A Bid Price - \$31,276.00
Configuration B Bid Price - \$37,754.00
Configuration C Bid Price - \$30,078.00.

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

AYES: R. WILT, SNYDER, EDWARDS, WELLS, FREY, D. WILT, SEAMAN, FARBER
AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 58-16

**AUTHORIZING COUNTY HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT TO PURCHASE PICKUP
TRUCKS FOR 2016**

DATED: FEBRUARY 4, 2016

BY MR. WELLS:

WHEREAS, the County Board of Supervisors have duly adopted the 2016 Hamilton County Budget, and

WHEREAS, within the said adopted 2016 budget the Board appropriated \$200,000.00 for equipment purchases for the Highway Department, and

WHEREAS, the Highway Superintendent recommends that the department purchase two (2) 2500 HD pickup trucks for use in 2016, and

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors duly awarded public Bid Specification No.1-2016 2500HD Pickups per Resolution No. 57-16 for three (3) different configurations and that bid award will be utilized for the purchase, be it

RESOLVED, that hereby the County Highway Superintendent/Fleet Coordinator is authorized to purchase two (2) pickup trucks using the said bid award as follows:

1 (one) 4x4 2500 HD Pickup Configuration A in the amount of \$31,276.00

1 (one) 4x4 2500 HD Pickup Configuration B in the amount of \$37,754.00

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the funds be taken out of Account No. DM5130.201 Road Equipment in the amount of \$69,030.00 and the Chairman of the Board is authorized to enter into a contract for the said purchase with Carbone Auto Group of Yorkville, NY with the approval of the County Attorney and the County Treasurer, Clerk of the Board and Fleet Coordinator be so notified.

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

AYES: R. WILT, SNYDER, EDWARDS, WELLS, FREY, D. WILT, SEAMAN, FARBER
AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 59-16

**AUTHORIZING COUNTY HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT TO PURCHASE PLOW
EQUIPMENT AND DUMP BODY FOR TANDEM AXLE TRUCK**

DATED: FEBRUARY 4, 2016

BY MR. SNYDER:

WHEREAS, the Highway Department has just purchased a 2016 Tandem Axle Cab & Chassis, and

WHEREAS, Viking Plow equipment and Beau-Roc dump bodies are available for purchase under Oneida County Contract #1816 through Viking Cives(USA), and

WHEREAS, the County Highway Superintendent is recommending approval to purchase said Tandem Axle Dump Truck with plow equipment including dump box and material spreader installed under Oneida County Contract pricing, be it

RESOLVED, that hereby the County Highway Superintendent is authorized to order said dump box and plow equipment under Oneida County Contract pricing at a cost of \$84,359.15 and that payment for said equipment be taken out of Account No. DM5130.201 Road Equipment when said truck is delivered and accepted by the County Highway Superintendent and the County Treasurer be so authorized and Clerk of the Board be so notified.

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

AYES: R. WILT, SNYDER, EDWARDS, WELLS, FREY, D. WILT, SEAMAN, FARBER AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 60-16

APPROVAL - USE OF COUNTY ROADS AS DESIGNATED FOR SNOWMOBILE USE FOR YEAR 2016

DATED: FEBRUARY 4, 2016

BY MR. FREY:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes any town within the county to designate any County Road or part thereof for snowmobile usage for the year 2016, be it further

RESOLVED, if a town chooses to designate a County Road or any part thereof within that particular towns boundary the town shall follow all rules and regulations of designating a road for snowmobile use per the guidelines set forth in New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservations Snowmobile Unit and also be subject to provide Hamilton County with an insurance certificate covering said use in favor of the County as an additional insured.

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

AYES: R. WILT, SNYDER, EDWARDS, WELLS, FREY, D. WILT, SEAMAN, FARBER AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 61-16

PROVISIONAL PROMOTION OF TWO COUNTY EMPLOYEES

DATED: FEBRUARY 4, 2016

BY MR. TOWERS:

WHEREAS, Daniel Fish and Mark Stuart have been employed by the County Building and Grounds for several years, and

WHEREAS, Daniel Fish has the knowledge and experience for a Building Maintenance Mechanic position, as determined by the Hamilton County Personnel Officer, and

WHEREAS, Mark Stuart has the knowledge and experience for a Building Project Supervisor position, as determined by the Hamilton County Personnel Officer, and

WHEREAS, Both Daniel Fish and Mark Stuart are currently doing the work of said titles, and

WHEREAS, the County Highway Superintendent has recommended to the County Internal Management Committee that Daniel Fish be provisionally promoted from Grade 16, Senior Custodian to Grade 20, Building Maintenance Mechanic, and

WHEREAS, the County Highway Superintendent has recommended to the County Internal Management Committee that Mark Stuart be provisionally promoted from Grade 16, Senior Custodian to Grade 20, Building Project Supervisor, and

WHEREAS, the County Internal Management Committee recommends the provisional promotion of Daniel Fish and Mark Stuart to said positions at the associated grade and at their current step, be it

RESOLVED, that Daniel Fish be provisionally appointed to Grade 20, Step 4, Building Maintenance Mechanic until satisfactorily completing the ordered promotional examination, and be it further

REOLVED, that Mark Stuart be provisionally appointed to Grade 20, Step 4, Building Project Supervisor until satisfactorily completing the ordered promotional examination, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Highway Superintendent is hereby authorized to provisionally promote Daniel Fish from Senior Custodian to Building Maintenance Mechanic and Mark Stuart from Senior Custodian to Building Project Supervisor, each at their current step, effective February 1, 2016 and the Personnel Officer, County Treasurer and Clerk of the Board be so notified.

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

AYES: R. WILT, SNYDER, EDWARDS, WELLS, FREY, D. WILT, SEAMAN, FARBER
AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 62-16

RESOLUTION IDENTIFYING CDBG FAIR HOUSING OFFICER

DATED: FEBRUARY 4, 2016

BY MR. FREY:

WHEREAS, Hamilton County has received a NYS CDBG Home Rehabilitation grant of \$305,012 for a program that will operate throughout the County, and

WHEREAS, a provision of the grant is that Hamilton County must make efforts to affirmatively further fair housing, and

WHEREAS, no person shall be subjected to discrimination because of race, color, religion, sex, disability, age, familial status, or national origin, and

WHEREAS, Hamilton County is prepared to make assurances that:

- 1) It will comply with the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, and regulations issued thereto; and
- 2) It will comply with the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and the regulations issued thereto; and
- 3) It will comply with the Fair Housing Act of 1968 and will affirmatively further fair housing; and
- 4) It will comply with the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 and with the Rehabilitation Act of 1973.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Christy Wilt shall be designated as the Fair Housing Officer for Hamilton County, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Fair Housing Officer shall:

- display a Fair Housing Poster in the County administration building
- provide Fair Housing information to explain fair housing rights, practices and statutory requirements
- be the primary point of contact for all fair housing related issues

and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Hamilton County will publish in the local newspaper of record and post at the County administration building a public notice announcing the appointment of the Fair Housing Officer and the availability of local fair housing information.

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

AYES: R. WILT, SNYDER, EDWARDS, WELLS, FREY, D. WILT, SEAMAN, FARBER
AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 63-16

**AUTHORIZING CREATION OF TITLE AND PROVISIONAL APPOINTMENT OF
DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF PATIENT SERVICES**

DATED: FEBRUARY 4, 2016

BY MR. TOWERS:

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County's Certified Home Health Agency (CHHA) is continuing to work through a restructuring process, and

WHEREAS, the CHHA is currently dealing with a vacant Director of Patient Services position, and

WHEREAS, there is currently no viable candidates to fill said position, and

WHEREAS, the creation of a Deputy Director of Patient Services position, can in the near term help provide mid-level oversight and assistance in assuring CHHA compliance, and

WHEREAS, a current member of the Nursing staff is interested in and qualified for this position, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Penny Warrington be provisionally appointed to Deputy Director of Patient Services for the Hamilton County Certified Home Health Agency, effective February 1, 2016 at her current rate, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer, the Personnel Officer and the Director of Public Health be so notified.

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

AYES: R. WILT, SNYDER, EDWARDS, WELLS, FREY, D. WILT, SEAMAN, FARBER
AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 64-16

APPROVAL OF AND TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR 2016 MERIT PAY

DATED: FEBRUARY 4, 2016

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 January 25, 2016 to review merit evaluations, be it

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

HIGHWAY

Robert Burgess	February 14, 2016 to February 14, 2017	\$1.65
John Moss	February 3, 2016 to February 3, 2017	\$1.21
Joseph Rathbun	February 21, 2016 to February 21, 2017	\$1.32

REAL PROPERTY

Lori Abbott	February 22, 2016 to February 22, 2017	\$1.65
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NURSING

Avis Warner	February 28, 2016 to February 28, 2017	\$1.10
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SOCIAL SERVICES

Stephanie Hutchins	February 10, 2016 to February 10, 2017	\$1.21
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and be it further

RESOLVED, that the following transfers be made to cover the above 2016 merit pay:

FROM:	A1990.402	Contingent for Merit	\$15,850.34
TO:	D5110.101	Personal Services	\$3,445.20
	D5110.101	Personal Services	\$2,526.48
	DM5130.101	Mechanics	\$2,756.16
	A1355.102	Real Property Tax Service Aide	\$2,986.83
	A4010.107	Registered Professional Nurse	\$1,946.56
	A6010.105	Social Welfare Examiner D	\$2,189.11

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

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

AYES: R. WILT, SNYDER, EDWARDS, WELLS, FREY, D. WILT, SEAMAN, FARBER
AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 65-16

APPROVAL OF AUDITS IN COUNTY HIGHWAY FUNDS

DATED: FEBRUARY 4, 2016

BY MR. SNYDER:

RESOLVED, that the bills in the Machinery Fund amounting to \$40,697.37 and bills in the County Road Fund amounting to \$139,244.08 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: R. WILT, SNYDER, EDWARDS, WELLS, FREY, D. WILT, SEAMAN, FARBER AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 66-16

APPROVAL OF AUDITS IN THE COUNTY GENERAL FUND

DATED: FEBRUARY 4, 2016

BY MR. FREY:

RESOLVED, that the bills audited this day in the County General Fund in the amount of \$416,578.09 by the following committees:

Building Committee	\$23,370.61
Public Works (Solid Waste) Committee	16,559.12
Finance Committee	205,796.71
Health Committee.....	21,026.57
Human Services Committee.....	39,867.10
Central Government Committee	68,353.49
Emergency Prep./Emergency Response.....	39,286.97
Publicity, Tourism, Economic Development & Planning Committee.....	574.03
Internal Management Committee	1,743.49

are hereby approved.

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

AYES: R. WILT, SNYDER, EDWARDS, WELLS, FREY, D. WILT, SEAMAN, FARBER AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

Other Reports:

Mr. Towers: Reported the Western Inter-County did not support the statewide UTV and asked the Chairman if he got a chance to ask if it was discussed.

The Chairman stated not really, he feels that not much will happen with the UTV until people understand what the concerns are. He did speak with a representative from Lewis County prior to the meeting and their feeling was they weren't prepared or it wasn't the right time to discuss it with Western Inter-County.

Mr. D. Wilt: Is looking into the towns' competitive salaries and wants to do town comparisons but needs information on the benefit packages they offer.

The Chairman reported Budget Officer Mezzano has gathered a lot of information from other counties which could also be helpful for him.

The Chairman stated they will have a Finance meeting on Committee Day to review the information that Budget Officer Mezzano has gathered.

We are also in need of two reps for the Hamilton County Fish and Wildlife Management Board. When the resolution was done there was a vacant landowner rep alt position and now we need a sportsmen rep also. If anyone has someone that is interested please let him know.

The Chairman attended the Emergency Management training at NYSAC.

The Chairman reported he chairs NYSAC's Standing Committee on Economic Development and Environment and Rural Affairs and they discussed budget issues regarding Broadband. There are a couple of areas that we need to gain a better understanding, but either has an impact on Hamilton County. First the only real data source that is consistent statewide is the FCC data with respect to where broadband exists and where it doesn't. The challenge with FCC that many counties have raised, is that they do it by census block. If one person in the census block has broadband then FCC makes the assumption that everyone does which is not always the case. So the stance is how do we create the data or update data for the purpose of the new NY Broadband Program in a way that we can take that into consideration in the grant scoring.

Mr. Towers asked how big the census maps are. Are they by county?

The Chairman stated no, there are multiple census blocks. The reason why we don't come into play is we don't have any areas that are mapped as having the twenty-five or one hundred meg. He continued to explain.

The Chairman has a couple copies of the NYSAC budget if anyone wants to look at it. As Superintendent Eldridge pointed out there are a couple of pots of money in there for infrastructure for roads and bridges that could be very good for Hamilton County. Certainly we are in a better position than we have been in past years. NYSAC has two main priorities this year, which are infrastructure and the state taking over the public defense system.

The navigation is another piece. The Sheriff sent a letter to the state. We can't continue to provide navigation law enforcement because we have gone from 75% funding to 50% and now to 25% funding. It would be hard not to scale back and simply say DEC you provide the navigation law enforcement on our lakes.

What we need to be aware of in this particular budget is that this proposal eliminated the Medicaid Cap for New York City. That is a billion dollars' worth of savings and that is the funding associated with a lot of other things. NYSAC is in a quandary of being in a position where this could be a

slippery slope; if they eliminate this where is the protection for counties regarding the Medicaid Cap. It might not go away in the future and if you take that position and if you secure the Medicaid Cap and push back the only way at this time, that the legislatures, assembly or senate can do a billion dollar restoration is to take the money from somewhere else.

Mr. Wells asked the Chairman to explain the State Landfill money.

The Chairman reported as part of a settlement that Essex and Hamilton County negotiated back when Essex County's landfill was taking out of county waste or was proposing to and Hamilton County was looking at the idea of creating a landfill in Perkins Clearing. At that time the Pataki administration, who was working with us to develop a deal whereby waste would not be imported into the Adirondacks. As part of that we made the argument that it was a significant disadvantage for counties like Hamilton that wouldn't be able to have their own landfill and would have to export waste. So we not only got three million dollars for transfer stations but we also received a twenty year agreement for them to subsidize the transportation of waste out of the Adirondack Park for one hundred and fifty thousand a year. Now it has been cut three thousand dollars. A short discussion followed on the closures of the landfills.

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