

2017

TENTH SESSION

OCTOBER 5, 2017

The Board convened at 10:30 A.M. in the Supervisors' Chambers at the Court House, Lake Pleasant, New York, with the Deputy Chairman, Brian E. Towers presiding. Mr. Towers 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	ABSENT
Wells	Brian E. Towers

Also present: County Attorney, Tracy Eldridge, Kate Fish and Jacob Vennie-Vollrath of ANCA

Public Comment: Tracy Eldridge, County Highway Superintendent, stated that he wanted to inform the Board about a safety issue that occurred and how proud he is of his Highway employees. Last week his Highway employees were paving on Chamberlain Road in the Town of Indian Lake. They were getting ready to pave when one of his employees, Craig Towers, noticed a guy working by himself in an excavator nearby. He heard what sounded like kids playing or hollering but thought it was strange as school was in session. When he looked through the trees he saw that the excavator wasn't moving and thought maybe he should check on it. What happened, was the gentleman had been digging alongside a foundation to lay sewer line; when he got out of the excavator and down into the hole the bank collapsed in around him. He was buried all the way up to his neck at that point. After making sure the gentleman was okay and could breathe he told him we would be right back with a shovel. Mr. Towers turned around and only took a couple steps when he heard the bank collapse. This time the gentleman was completely buried so he instantly started working to get a hole so the gentleman could breathe. Meanwhile he was able to get the attention of his crew along with the Gorman Bros. crew to come help. It took a little while but they were able to get the gentleman out safely and not needing medical attention. Superintendent Eldridge stated that he was very proud of his employees for being attentive while on the job. The safety program is in place for these things not to happen. The Deputy Chairman asked that Superintendent Eldridge tell Superintendent Towers and the rest of his employees, job well done from the Board.

Reports of Standing/Special Committees:

Mr. Snyder: Stated that the Highway Department is doing a great job.

Mr. Frey: Stated that budget work is continuing. The ones that haven't made the meetings and/or haven't met with their respective departments should take the time to go meet with them. The Deputy Chairman asked if Sheriff or Public Works had been scheduled yet. Laura Abrams, Clerk of the Board, stated that they are scheduled for October's Committee Day.

Mr. R. Wilt: Stated that next week, and the following, there will be training for the new 911 system. Most of the system is already up and running. The official turn on date is towards the end of the month. There will be something in the paper telling people to dial 911. They met with the contractors yesterday about the tower project, everything is looking good and it looks as if everything will be done on time.

Mr. D. Wilt: Stated that he attended the Professional Advisory Committee (PAC) meeting last week and things are going well in Public Health.

Mr. Wells: Stated that he attended the Local Government Review Board (LGRB) along with an Adirondack Association of Towns and Villages (AATV) meeting. The majority of the discussion was about the Health and Safety Land Bank issue.

The Deputy Chairman introduced Kate Fish, Executive Director, from Adirondack North Country Association (ANCA). Kate Fish thanked the Board for their continued support. Stephen Stofelano and William Farber are both new members of the ANCA Board. She asked for Hamilton County's support again for next year. She passed out their 2 year annual report and stated how they really try to quantify the impact they are having on job creation and support of existing jobs. There is a map included in the handout that shows all the areas where ANCA works. In trying to figure out how to attract entrepreneurs and how to support the development of new businesses they have developed a new program called Ignite. They are submitting a proposal to New York State Energy Research Development Authority's (NYSERDA), it's a request for a low to moderate income housing improvement program. They have been working with Indian Lake Fire District, so hopefully that will come forward. Another thing they are working on is helping the Town of Wells enhance the Farm to School program with Stephen Stofelano.

Jacob Vennie-Vollrath, Regional Advocacy Coordinator for ANCA, discussed in more detail the Ignite program. He stated that if the Board knew anybody with a small business looking to expand and doesn't have the \$2,000-\$3,000 worth of capital they could direct them to the office and he would be happy to walk them through the process.

Ms. Fish stated they have contracted with a consultant to develop an economic analysis for the whole 14 county region that they serve and they are starting to get the first feedback on that. The consultant is also doing a data analysis of where the opportunities are and where the growth areas are. That data is going to be available to our member counties.

Mr. Wells stated that he was curious about the Indian Lake project with the fire department. He asked if she had reached out to the community to see how they feel about that. Ms. Fish said that

she would reach out to Jennifer Perry, Energy Project Coordinator for ANCA, to see. Mr. Wells' concern was there needs to be more time spent in the community and for them to reach out to the 2 businesses that are going to be affected by this.

The Deputy Chairman asked for the County Attorney to discuss Resolution No. 1. The County Attorney, Charles Getty, stated that the Chairman felt this was something progressing with New York State Association of Counties (NYSAC). Some of the counties in New York have already secured the services of an attorney or law firm that NYSAC recommended after a number of interviews. He recommends that we do the same. Mr. Seaman asked who the County would be suing. County Attorney stated that the thought process is that we would be suing the manufacturer and distributors which are portions of the opioid industry that have potentially put a drug out there that is causing damage throughout the country. Part of the litigation would be communicating with local representatives who would be able to give appropriate statistics on what Hamilton County's cost are relative to this issue. Mr. Seaman asked the County Attorney if this was to target the pharmaceutical companies. He further stated, the opioid dilemma that we face, certainly the heroin, is not coming from the pharmaceutical companies but across the border instead. How does this go after drug suppliers that are selling/providing illegal drugs? The County Attorney stated he's not sure this was intended to litigate against illegal activity. This is one of those instances where industry has come up with this miracle drug that maybe isn't the miracle that it was originally thought to be. The Deputy Chairman asked how the doctors play into this when we discuss the legal aspect of it. The County Attorney stated that there is a potential of them being involved as well. Mr. R. Wilt asked what the cost factor of the contract is. The County Attorney says that the cost for Hamilton County will be \$0, unless there is some recovery. Mr. R. Wilt asked who sued the tobacco companies. The County Attorney stated New York State did. Mr. R. Wilt asked if NYS was making an effort in doing that with the opioid crisis. The County Attorney stated that some states have, but wasn't sure about NYS.

RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION NO. 258-17

**AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ATTORNEY TO RETAIN OUTSIDE COUNSEL FOR
THE OPIOID COST RECOVERY LITIGATION**

DATED: OCTOBER 5, 2017

BY MR. FREY:

WHEREAS, the Opioid Litigation is now moving forward within the court system, and

WHEREAS, there is an efficiency in counties consolidating their efforts, and

WHEREAS, after interviewing dozens of firms NYSAC will be partnering with Napoli Shkolnik PLLC Attorneys at Law, and

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Attorney recommends Hamilton County follow this path, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Hamilton County Attorney is hereby authorized to retain and contract with Napoli Shkolnik PLLC Attorneys at Law to represent in the Opioid Cost Recovery Litigation, and be it further

RESOLVED, that Napoli Shkolnik PLLC Attorneys at Law are hereby authorized to bring an action on behalf of Hamilton County, in an effort to recover opioid costs on behalf of the County.

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

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

NAYS: SEAMAN

ABSENT: FARBER

RESOLUTION NO. 259-17
SETTING ANNUAL SESSION DATES

DATED: OCTOBER 5, 2017

BY MR. WELLS:

RESOLVED, the following dates have been designated as the annual session for 2017:

November 2	10:30 A.M.
November 7	10:30 A.M.
November 14	10:30 A.M.
November 27	10:30 A.M.
PUBLIC HEARING	11:00 A.M.
December 7 AUDIT	10:30 A.M.
December 15 AUDIT	10:30 A.M.

and be it further

RESOLVED, that any necessary changes will be subsequently arranged.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: FARBER

RESOLUTION NO. 260-17

AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF BACK TAXES

DATED: OCTOBER 5, 2017

BY MR. FREY:

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has been contacted by Deloris Weisinger on property located in the Town of Indian Lake, with parcel ID #56.015-1-33 concerning the 2014, 2015 and 2016 back taxes owed, and

WHEREAS, Deloris Weisinger has submitted a written explanation of the circumstances of why the taxes have not been paid to date and a requests to rectify the situation by paying the 2014, 2015 and 2016 back taxes, be it

RESOLVED, that the Hamilton County Treasurer is hereby authorized to accept payment of the taxes owed in the amount of \$9,646.76 together with an administrative charge of \$1,000.00 for a total of \$10,646.76.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: FARBER

RESOLUTION NO. 261-17

AUTHORIZING TRANSFER OF FUNDS – ADVERTISING

DATED: OCTOBER 5, 2017

BY MR. SEAMAN:

WHEREAS, the cost for advertising has exceeded the 2017 Budgeted amount, as unexpected vacancies have occurred within numerous departments, be it

RESOLVED, that the following transfer of funds takes place to cover additional advertising needs through the end of 2017:

From:	
Account No. A1990.0401 Contingent	\$2,000.00
To:	
Account No. A1430.404 Printing/Advertising	\$2,000.00

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, AND
TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: FARBER

RESOLUTION NO. 262-17

**AUTHORIZING CHAIRMAN TO EXECUTE AGREEMENT WITH NEW YORK
STATE UNIFIED COURT SYSTEM**

DATED: OCTOBER 5, 2017

BY MR. EDWARDS:

WHEREAS, Hamilton County has a 5-year agreement with the Unified Court System for security services to the courts of Hamilton, and

WHEREAS, the contract begins on April 1, 2014 and ends on March 31, 2019, and

WHEREAS, the contract stated in pertinent part, "All subsequent periods of the contract, the maximum compensation and where necessary new staffing schedule for that period are to be established by mutual written agreement of the parties.", and

WHEREAS, the State Unified Court System has provided a proposal wherein the period of the contract begins on April 1, 2017 and ends on March 31, 2018, the maximum compensation for the period is Forty-four Thousand Dollars (\$44,000.00) and the Hamilton County Sheriff provides an attendant staffing schedule, and

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Sheriff has provided an Attendant Staffing Schedule to the State Court System,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors is authorized to execute an agreement with the New York State Unified Court System to provide Court Attendant Staffing by the Hamilton County Sheriff for the maximum compensation of Forty-four Thousand Dollars (\$44,000.00) for the period of time beginning on April 1, 2017 and ending on March 31, 2018.

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

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

TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: FARBER

RESOLUTION NO. 263-17

**AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 237-17 - AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE
HARDWARE FOR CAD SYSTEM**

DATED: OCTOBER 5, 2017

BY MR. FREY:

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 237-17 adopted August 28, 2017 authorized the purchase of equipment for the IMPACT System per a quote from Charles Taylor in the amount of \$19,000.00, and

WHEREAS, it has now been possible for Mr. Taylor to put together a more precise price list for said equipment, be it

RESOLVED, that Resolution No. 237-17 be hereby amended to authorize the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office to order the required equipment in an amount up to, but not exceeding, \$21,500.00 and the County Treasurer and County Sheriff be so notified.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: FARBER

RESOLUTION NO. 264-17

APPROVAL OF RATES FOR FOSTER BOARDING HOMES

DATED: OCTOBER 5, 2017

BY MR. SEAMAN:

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 300-16, adopted November 16, 2016, established current monthly rates for Foster Care Payments to Foster Parents in Hamilton County, be it

RESOLVED, that the rates for Foster Care for Children, provided by the Hamilton County Department of Social Services, remain at the following standards of payment, set by the State Department of Social Services:

0 to 5 years, Five Hundred Thirty-Five Dollars (\$535.00)

6 to 11 years, Six Hundred Forty-Four Dollars (\$644.00) monthly

12 years and over, Seven Hundred Forty-Six Dollars (\$746.00) monthly

and be it further

RESOLVED, that in the case of a child requiring special care, either because of medical problems or severe emotional problems, that the Hamilton County Department of Social Services be authorized to pay the same monthly rate of up to One Thousand Two Hundred Eighty-Nine Dollars (\$1,289.00), and the same monthly rate of up to One Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty-Three Dollars (\$1,953.00), for exceptional children, and be it further

RESOLVED, that these rates be effective April 1, 2017 through June 30, 2017, 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, AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: FARBER

RESOLUTION NO. 265-17

APPROVAL OF YEARLY CLOTHING ALLOWANCE FOR FOSTER CARE CHILDREN

DATED: OCTOBER 5, 2017

BY MR. SEAMAN:

WHEREAS, the State Department of Social Services has extended the current maximum foster care reimbursement rates for local agencies for the balance of the rate year, and

WHEREAS, the current rates for the yearly clothing allowance were established by the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors in Resolution No. 301-16, adopted November 16, 2016, be it

RESOLVED, that the yearly reimbursement allowance for replacement of clothing remain at the following standards of payment:

0-5 years – Four Hundred Five Dollars (\$405.00) yearly

6-11 years – Five Hundred Sixty-Seven Dollars (\$567.00) yearly

12-15 years – Eight Hundred Seventy-Nine Dollars (\$879.00) yearly

16 years and over – One Thousand Seventy-Five Dollars (\$1,075.00) yearly

0-3 years – A diaper allowance, remain the same at Sixty-One Dollars (\$61.00) monthly

and be it further

RESOLVED, that these rates be effective April 1, 2017 through June 30, 2017 and the County Treasurer be so advised.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: FARBER

RESOLUTION NO. 266-17

APPROVAL OF RATES FOR FOSTER BOARDING HOMES

DATED: OCTOBER 5, 2017

BY MR. SEAMAN:

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 300-16, adopted November 16, 2016, established current monthly rates for Foster Care Payments to Foster Parents in Hamilton County and

WHEREAS, the State Department of Social Services also issues daily (per diem) rates for Foster Care Payments to Foster Parents in Hamilton County and

WHEREAS, Hamilton County Department of Social Services is electing to pay the daily (per diem) rate due to the variation in the days per month and be it,

RESOLVED, that the rates for Foster Care for Children, provided by the Hamilton County Department of Social Services, be established at the following standards of payment, set by the State Department of Social Services:

0 to 5 years, Eighteen Dollars and Fifteen Cents (\$18.15)

6 to 11 years, Twenty-One Dollars and Eighty-Six Cents (\$21.86)

12 years and over, Twenty-Five Dollars and Thirty-Two Cents (\$25.32)

RESOLVED, that in the case of a child requiring special care, either because of medical problems or severe emotional problems, that the Hamilton County Department of Social Services be authorized to pay a daily (per diem) rate of Forty-Three Dollars and Seventy-Six Cents (\$43.76) and a daily (per diem) rate of Sixty-Six Dollars and Twenty- Eight Cents (\$66.28) for exceptional children, and be it further

RESOLVED, that these rates be effective July 1, 2017 through March 31, 2018 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, AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: FARBER

RESOLUTION NO. 267-17

APPROVAL OF YEARLY CLOTHING ALLOWANCE FOR FOSTER CARE CHILDREN

DATED: OCTOBER 5, 2017

BY MR. SEAMAN:

WHEREAS, the State Department of Social Services has established new maximum foster care reimbursement rates for local agencies, and

WHEREAS, the current rates for the yearly clothing allowance were established by the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors in Resolution No. 301-16, adopted November 16, 2016, be it

WHEREAS, the State Department of Social Services also issues daily (per diem) rates for clothing allowance and diaper allowance, and

WHEREAS, Hamilton County Department of Social Services is electing to pay the daily (per diem) rate due to the variation in the days per month, and be it

RESOLVED, that the daily (per diem) reimbursement allowance for replacement of clothing be established at the following standards of payment:

0 - 5 years – One Dollar and Fifteen Cents (\$1.15)

6 - 11 years – One Dollar and Sixty Cents (\$1.60)

12 - 15 years – Two Dollars and Forty-Nine Cents (\$2.49)

16 years and over – Three Dollars and Four Cents (\$3.04)

0 - 3 years – A diaper allowance will be Two Dollars and Five Cents (\$2.05), and be it further

RESOLVED, that these rates be effective July 1, 2017 through March 31, 2018 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, AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: FARBER

RESOLUTION NO. 268-17

TRANSFER OF FUNDS - SOCIAL SERVICES

DATED: OCTOBER 5, 2017

BY MR. SEAMAN:

WHEREAS, funds will be exhausted in the Hamilton County Department of Social Services Appropriation Account No. A6140.401, Safety Net, during the month of September 2017, and

WHEREAS, funds will be exhausted in the Hamilton County Department of Social Services Appropriation Account No, A6109.401, Family Assistance, before the end of the 2017 Budget year, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the following transfers be made:

From: A6119.401 Foster Care	\$ 40,000.00
To: A6140.401 Safety Net	\$ 15,000.00
A6109.401 Family Assistance	\$ 25,000.00

and the County Treasurer be so authorized.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: FARBER

RESOLUTION NO. 269-17

CREATING A REPAYMENT TO HEAP REVENUE ACCOUNT – SOCIAL SERVICES

DATED: OCTOBER 5, 2017

BY MR. EDWARDS:

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Department of Social Services has in previous years credited Appropriation Account A6141.401, Heat Energy Assistance Program (HEAP) with current year vendor refunds which process creates an inaccurate balance in this appropriation account, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Revenue Account A1841, Repayment to HEAP, be created in the 2017 Hamilton County Department of Social Services budget in the amount of Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000.00), and that all refunds that have been credited to Appropriation Account A6141.401, HEAP, thus far this year be transferred by Journal Voucher to Revenue Account A1841, Repayment to HEAP 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, AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: FARBER

After the following resolution was placed on the floor; Mr. Wells brought up his concern that the Department of Social Services is being under budgeted across the board and since it is budget time, should we increase some of their lines? The Board had some discussion.

Mr. D. Wilt asked about who pays the liability insurance. The County Attorney stated that the contract requires him to have the usual insurance and an indemnification provision.

RESOLUTION NO. 270-17

CREATING FRAUD INVESTIGATOR APPROPRIATION ACCOUNT AND TRANSFERRING FUNDS – SOCIAL SERVICES

DATED: OCTOBER 5, 2017

BY MR. SNYDER:

WHEREAS, the newly hired Fraud Investigator for Hamilton County Department of Social Services is under contract and will not be paid a salary, and

WHEREAS, Appropriation Account No. 6010.414, Social Services Fraud Investigator, needs to be created within the 2017 Hamilton County Social Services budget to pay the contracted Fraud Investigator, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the following transfer be made to fund the new account:

From: A6010.124 Social Services Admin. Fraud Investigator	\$ 6,053.34
To: A6010.414 Social Services Fraud Investigator	\$ 6,053.34

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, AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: FARBER

RESOLUTION NO. 271-17

SNOW AND ICE CONTRACTS WITH TOWNS FOR THE 2017-2018 SEASON

DATED: OCTOBER 5, 2017

BY MR. FREY:

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, therefore, be it

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

November 1, 2017 – October 31, 2018

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, AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: FARBER

RESOLUTION NO. 272-17

STATE SNOW AND ICE CONTROL CONTRACT FOR THE 2018-2019 SEASON

DATED: OCTOBER 5, 2017

BY MR. SNYDER:

WHEREAS, the County Highway Superintendent has recommended that the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors approve the New York State Snow and Ice Control Contract and maps for the 2018-2019 season, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board be and hereby is empowered to sign the contracts, upon approval of the County Attorney, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Highway Superintendent be and hereby is empowered to approve said maps.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: FARBER

RESOLUTION NO. 273-17

AUTHORIZING PAYMENT FOR REPAIRS TO TRAILER #425

DATED: OCTOBER 5, 2017

BY MR. WELLS:

WHEREAS, the County DPW owns a 1995 Ti Brook dump trailer that needed frame, suspension and fifth wheel plate repair immediately, and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent had the said trailer taken to Sowle Auto Body for estimate and repairs, and

WHEREAS, the repairs have been completed at a final cost of \$9,076.34 and the Highway Superintendent has inspected the repairs and is satisfied with the said repairs, be it

RESOLVED, that hereby the County Treasurer is authorized to make payment payable to:

Sowle Auto Body Inc.
PO Box 528
Fultonville, NY 12072,

in the amount of \$9,076.34 out of Account No. DM5130.401 Repairs for the repairs made to Trailer #425 and the County Highway Superintendent 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, AND
TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: FARBER

RESOLUTION NO. 274-17

AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO BELL ENGINEERING

DATED: OCTOBER 5, 2017

BY MR. R. WILT:

WHEREAS, Bell Engineering has done some engineering work for the East Mountain Tower Project and other DPW needs, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer is hereby authorized to make payment payable to:

Bell Engineering
5895 Johnstown Road
Slingerlands, NY 12159, out of the following accounts –

\$4,560.00 – Services for East Mountain Tower – Account No. A3645.406
\$ 600.00 – Services for DPW Cold Storage Building – Account No. D5020.403

and the Highway Superintendent, Emergency Services Manager and Clerk of the Board be so notified.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: FARBER

RESOLUTION NO. 275-17

**ESTABLISHING CAPITAL PROJECT FOR BRIDGE ON CR6, BENSON ROAD OVER
HATCH BROOK BIN 3307290 TOWN OF BENSON**

DATED: OCTOBER 5, 2017

BY MR. SNYDER:

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 94-17 authorizes the implementation and funding in the first instance 100% of the Federal Aid and State eligible cost of a Federal Aid and/or State Aid transportation project and appropriated \$910,000.00 for the Hatch Brook Bridge project BIN 3307290, be it

RESOLVED, that the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors does hereby create a Capital Project Account entitled Hatch Brook Bridge – Bridge NY Project of CR6 Bridge Over Hatch Brook BIN 3307290 Town of Benson, Hamilton County, New York Account No. H6.5112.206 and the Hamilton County Treasurer be so authorized.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: FARBER

RESOLUTION NO. 276-17

**AUTHORIZING PAYMENT FOR OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF STORAGE
RESERVOIRS – BLACK RIVER AREA - 2018**

DATED: OCTOBER 5, 2017

BY MR. FREY:

WHEREAS, Hamilton County has received Invoice No. B-08-14-18 Direct Billing for 94th Annual Assessment: Year 2018 in the amount of \$1,550.00 for operation and maintenance of storage reservoirs – Black River Area, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer be authorized to transfer \$1,550.00 from Account No. A1990.0401 Contingent to Account No. A1950.0401 Taxes and Assessment on Muni Property, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer be hereby authorized to write a check to the State Comptroller for Invoice No. B-08-14-18 in the amount of \$1,550.00 from Account No. A1950.0401 Taxes and Assessment on Muni Property to be mailed to Hudson River-Black River Regulating District, 317 Washington Street, Suite 614, Watertown, NY 13601.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: FARBER

RESOLUTION NO. 277-17

INVESTMENT POLICY FOR THE COUNTY OF HAMILTON

DATED: OCTOBER 5, 2017

BY MR. FREY:

WHEREAS, the Investment Policy for the County of Hamilton is to be renewed on an annual basis, and

WHEREAS, the County Treasurer wishes to add an additional bank prior to the annual renew, and

WHEREAS, the Chairman of Finance and the County Treasurer recommend updates to the Investment Policy as follows:

Add: Chemung Canal Trust Company – Three Million Dollars (\$3,000,000)

be it

RESOLVED, that the above change be adopted 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, AND
TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: FARBER

RESOLUTION NO. 278-17

**AUTHORIZING A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE FULTON
COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE TO PROVIDE E911 BACK-UP SERVICES FOR
HAMILTON COUNTY**

DATED: OCTOBER 5, 2017

BY MR. R. WILT:

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors and the Hamilton County Sheriff have requested assistance from the County of Fulton to provide E911 Dispatch Backup Service to the Hamilton County Sheriff's Office, and

WHEREAS, Hamilton County Sheriff Abrams and Fulton County Sheriff Giardino have conducted several meetings to establish a written framework to govern this assistance provided by County of Fulton, and

WHEREAS, Sheriff Abrams recommends that the Counties enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) outlining guidelines and stipulations to govern said voluntary service, and

WHEREAS, the Fulton County Board of Supervisors passed Resolution No. 299-17 on August 14, 2017 authorizing the Fulton County Sheriff's Office to enter into an Memorandum of Understanding with Hamilton County, be it

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Sheriff and Committees on Public Safety and Finance, the Chairman of the Board be, and hereby is, authorized to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with Hamilton County Board of Supervisors to provide E911 Dispatch Back-up Services for Hamilton County, and be it further

RESOLVED, that said Memorandum of Understanding include, but not be limited to, the following terms and conditions:

1. All costs of establishing, maintenance and repairs shall be the responsibility of County of Hamilton.
2. There shall be testing of equipment before system goes live.
3. There shall be a 120 day trial period to determine if the system is practical as designed.
4. Back-up by Fulton County Dispatch only occurs after seven (7) rings go unanswered in Hamilton County Dispatch.
5. Back-up will not add substantial additional calls to Fulton County's system.
6. The system will not necessitate any additional Fulton County staffing or overtime.
7. Hamilton County will provide a full "Hold Harmless" provision to Fulton County, satisfactory to the County Attorney.

and be it further

RESOLVED, that said Memorandum of Understanding is subject to the approval of the County Attorney, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors and Hamilton County Sheriff is authorized to enter into the Memorandum of Understanding with the Fulton County Sheriff's Office for the E911 Back-Up System.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: FARBER

RESOLUTION NO. 279-17

AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF TWO (2) GENERATORS FOR COMMUNICATIONS PROJECT

DATED: OCTOBER 5, 2017

BY MR. R. WILT:

WHEREAS, Hamilton County has received a grant from New York State Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Services (DHSES) in the amount of \$2,530,385.00, contract C198376, for a new communications system, and

WHEREAS, the communications project calls for a stand-by generator at the Oak Mountain location and also East Mountain location, and

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Office of Emergency Management has received three written quotes for two generators per specs written by Blue Wing Inc, the Hamilton County project consultant, and

WHEREAS, the lowest quoted amount to purchase 2 generators meeting the specifications stated by Blue Wing Inc, is \$9,290.00, be it

RESOLVED, that the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors authorize the purchase of two generators from Capital Power, 500 Elk St., Albany, NY 12206 at the total cost of \$9,290.00, to be paid from Account No. A3645.0406 Statewide Communications Grant.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: FARBER

RESOLUTION NO. 280-17

APPROVAL OF AND TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR 2017 MERIT PAY

DATED: OCTOBER 5, 2017

BY MR. D. WILT:

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

WHEREAS, the Internal Management Committee met on September 25, 2017 to review merit evaluations, be it

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

HIGHWAY

Paul Hammer	October 20, 2017 to October 20, 2018	\$1.65
Jordan Monthony	October 1, 2016 to October 1, 2017	\$1.10

SOCIAL SERVICES

Beverly King	October 18, 2017 to October 18, 2018	\$1.54
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COMMUNITY SERVICES

Brandy Richards	October 10, 2017 to October 10, 2018	\$1.65
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and be it further

RESOLVED, that the following transfers be made to cover the above 2017 merit pay:

FROM:	A1990.402	Contingent for Merit	\$11,366.41
TO:	A1620.103	Laborer	\$3,432.00
	DM5130.101	Mechanics	\$2,288.00
	A6010.108	Social Welfare Examiner B	\$2,643.41
	A4310.111	CCSI Coordinator	\$3,003.00

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

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: FARBER

RESOLUTION NO. 281-17

**APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES FOR CONSTRUCTION OF COUNTY ROAD FUND
PROJECTS FOR 2017**

DATED: OCTOBER 5, 2017

BY MR. EDWARDS:

WHEREAS, there is balance of \$60,000.00 in Account No. D5112.2505 CR 17 French Road, and

WHEREAS, because of weather related circumstances and delays the Superintendent recommends making adjustments to some of the county road projects for 2017, and

WHEREAS, the County Highway Superintendent recommends the adjustments/transfers of the following projects:

COUNTY ROAD FUND PROJECT NO. 3 Town of Wells
Co Rd No. 16 – Gilmantown Road, Hot mix Asphalt @ 20 ft.
Approx. 1.0 miles, original budget \$85,000.00, increase appropriation by \$30,000.00

COUNTY ROAD PROJECT NO. 4 Town of Long Lake
Co. Rd No. 3 – North Point Road, Hot mix Asphalt @ 20 ft.
Approx. 1.0 miles, original budget \$100,000.00, increase appropriation by \$30,000.00

COUNTY ROAD PROJECT NO. 5 Town of Morehouse
Co. Rd. No. 17 – French Road, Chip Seal
Approx. 1.0 miles, original budget \$60,000.00, decrease appropriation by \$60,000.00

and

WHEREAS, existing County Road Fund Project No. 5 Town of Morehouse on County Route 17 will be rescheduled and appropriated for in 2018, be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Hamilton does approve of the changes of the above designated projects as recommended by the County Highway Superintendent and the County Treasurer and Clerk of the Board be so advised.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: FARBER

RESOLUTION NO. 282-17

**APPROVAL OF TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR COUNTY ROAD FUND
MAINTENANCE PROJECTS FOR 2017**

DATED: OCTOBER 5, 2017

BY MR. SNYDER:

WHEREAS, because of weather related delays in road projects in 2017 the Superintendent recommends changes in current road projects, and

WHEREAS, the County Highway Superintendent recommends the adjustments/transfers of the following maintenance project:

WHEREAS, existing County Road Maintenance Project Town of Benson on County Route 6 was approved for a 1.0 mile project and after beginning the project the Superintendent feels that it would in the County's best interest to extend the length of the project to 1.5 miles thereby increasing the budget, and

WHEREAS, the current approved budget for this Project \$85,000.00 and the Superintendent recommends the budget be increased by \$100,000.00 to accomplish the additional work, be it

RESOLVED, hereby the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors does approve the transfer of funds as follows:

To: Account No. D5110.404 Asphalt \$100,000.00

From: Account No. D5112.203 Permanent Projects \$100,000.00

as recommended by the County Highway Superintendent and the County Treasurer be so authorized and Highway Superintendent and Clerk of the Board be so advised.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: FARBER

RESOLUTION NO. 283-17

AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO SETON IDENTIFICATION PRODUCTS

DATED: OCTOBER 5, 2017

BY MR. WELLS:

WHEREAS, the County Probation Department has moved its office to the Community Services building in Indian Lake requiring new signage for the public entrances, and

WHEREAS, signs and mats were ordered from Seton Identification Products and delivered, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer is hereby authorized to make payment payable to:

Seton Identification Products

PO Box 95904

Chicago, IL 60694-5904, out of the following account in the amount of –

\$ 292.50 – Buildings Project – Account No. A1620.413

and the Highway Superintendent, and Clerk of the Board be so notified.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: FARBER

RESOLUTION NO. 284-17

APPROVAL OF AUDITS IN COUNTY HIGHWAY FUNDS

DATED: OCTOBER 5, 2017

BY MR. WELLS:

RESOLVED, that the bills in the Machinery Fund amounting to \$100,608.64 and bills in the County Road Fund amounting to \$91,669.01 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, AND TOWERS

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: FARBER

RESOLUTION NO. 285-17

**APPROVAL OF AUDITS IN THE COUNTY GENERAL FUND AND CAPITAL
PROJECT NO. 2017-1 HATCH BROOK BRIDGE**

DATED: OCTOBER 5, 2017

BY MR. FREY:

RESOLVED, that the bills audited this day in the County General Fund in the amount of \$296,871.40 by the following committees:

Building Committee	\$13,032.12
Public Works (Solid Waste) Committee	32,178.38
Finance Committee	107,477.96
Health Committee.....	30,289.58
Human Services Committee.....	28,462.54
Central Government Committee	29,158.12
Emergency Prep./Emergency Response.....	28,204.47
Publicity, Tourism, Economic Development & Planning Committee.....	27,363.55
Internal Management Committee	704.68

be it further

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

Hatch Brook Bridge Capital Project 2017-1.....	\$ 449.46
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are hereby approved.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: FARBER

OTHER REPORTS:

Mr. Wells stated that he went over to see the County Highway guys last week and was really proud of them for their effort in helping that gentleman out that day. The Deputy Chair asked if the gentleman they helped was a local resident of Indian Lake. Mr. Wells stated that yes he was and that he works for a local contractor.

Deputy Chairman stated that we continue to work on Proposition #3 and getting the word out.

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