

**FIFTH SPECIAL SESSION**  
**September 23, 2019**  
**Board of Supervisors – County of Hamilton**  
**Lake Pleasant, New York**

Mrs. Laura A. Abrams, Clerk  
Board of Supervisors of Hamilton County  
Lake Pleasant, New York 12108

Dear Clerk:

WHEREAS, the undersigned, we the majority of the members of the Board of Supervisors of Hamilton County, do hereby request you to call a Special Session pursuant to Section 152 of the County Law, to be held at the Chambers of the Board, in the Town of Lake Pleasant, in said County on Monday, September 23, 2019 at 10:30 A.M. for the purpose of awarding the bid for repair work to be done on the Court House, Lake Pleasant, NY and for any other business that may come before said Board.

Arietta _____	<u>ABSENT</u>	Richard A. Wilt
Benson _____		John M. Stortecky
Hope _____		Steven M. Tomlinson
Indian Lake _____		Brian Wells
Inlet _____		John Frey
Lake Pleasant _____		Daniel Wilt
Long Lake _____		Clark J. Seaman
Morehouse _____		William G. Farber
Wells _____	<u>ABSENT</u>	Donald W. Beach

Also present: Tracy Eldridge, Highway Superintendent and Clay Arsenault

Public Comment: No comment.

Reports of Standings/Special Committees: No reports.

Bid Opening:

Tracy Eldridge, Highway Superintendent, explained what repairs are needed. They will be making the current steps true and level and then placing granite and stone over them. He feels that this will be a permanent fix.

Proposal for Courthouse Entrance Repair:

1. R & B Construction  
1094 Bulls Head Rd  
Amsterdam, NY 12010

A. East Entrance – (Including Granite)	\$38,000
B. West Entrance -	<u>\$18,000</u>

TOTAL \$56,000

A motion was made to accept the bid and refer to committee by Mr. Wells, seconded by Mr. Frey. Carried.

Mr. Tomlinson asked if the granite would be slippery. Mr. Eldridge stated that they can get it rough like sandpaper. The granite will match the original steps of the jail. He stated that the Office of Court Administration has agreed to pay 56% of the expense. They are aware that we need these repairs and have budgeted that expense.

RESOLUTIONS:

**RESOLUTION NO. 267-19**

**AWARD OF BID FOR COURTHOUSE ENTRANCE REPAIR - 2019**

**DATED: SEPTEMBER 23, 2019**

**BY MR. FREY:**

WHEREAS, Hamilton County DPW has solicited proposals for the repair of the east and west entrances to the Courthouse in Lake Pleasant, and

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

1. R & B Construction, LLC  
1094 Bulls Head Rd.  
Amsterdam, NY 12010

Bid:	A. East Entrance – (Including Granite)	\$ 38,000.00
	B. West Entrance -	\$ 18,000.00

Total Bid - \$ 56,000.00

and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent has reviewed the bid(s) to confirm that bid specifications were met and are satisfactory, and

WHEREAS, the County Highway Superintendent recommends the award be made, be it

RESOLVED, the award of the bid for the repairs of the east and west Courthouse entrances be made to R & B Construction, LLC in the amount of \$56,000.00, and be it further

RESOLVED, the Chairman of the Board be authorized to enter into an agreement for the said Entrance Repairs with R & B Construction, LLC subject to the approval of the County Attorney and the County Treasurer, Highway Superintendent and Clerk of the Board be so notified.

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

AYES: STORTECKY, TOMLINSON, WELLS, FREY, D. WILT, SEAMAN AND FARBER

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: R. WILT AND BEACH

**RESOLUTION NO. 268-19**

**AUTHORIZING AND FUNDING NYS DIVISION OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND  
EMERGENCY SERVICES GRANT – SH19-1020-D00**

**DATED: SEPTEMBER 23, 2019**

**BY MR. FREY:**

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Emergency Management Department has been awarded a NYS 2019 SHSP grant through the FY2019 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) in the amount of \$49,985.00, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized to sign said FY2019 SHSP grant and the Director of Emergency Management, Sheriff, and County Treasurer be so notified, and be it further

RESOLVED, that Account No. A3645.0403 SH19-1020-D00 be hereby created and funded at \$49,985.00 to be totally offset by creating and funding Revenue Account No. A3389.0124 SH19-1020-D00 at \$49,985.00 and the County Treasurer be so authorized.

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

AYES: STORTECKY, TOMLINSON, WELLS, FREY, D. WILT, SEAMAN AND FARBER

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: R. WILT AND BEACH

After the following resolution was placed on the floor; Mr. Wells asked if the salary was negotiated during the interview. Kimberly Byrne, Personnel Officer, came to explain. She stated that Erica Mahoney, Public Health Director, had asked about a hire rate based on the applicant's 21-years of experience. Ms. Byrne told her that in the past they have considered ½ time for experience. That would make the hire rate Step 5, pending the Board's approval. The Chairman asked if her experience at Saratoga Hospital is comparable to the work she will be doing for us. Ms. Byrne stated she wasn't sure if it was an exact fit. The Chairman asked how long was the position advertised. Ms. Byrne stated that we have been advertising for a RN for a long time. The Chairman discussed how this could potentially raise questions at a later date.

**RESOLUTION NO. 269-19**

**AUTHORIZING FULL TIME REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL NURSE  
JENNIFER SVOBODA**

**DATED: SEPTEMBER 23, 2019**

**BY MR. D. WILT:**

WHEREAS, there is a need to provide home nursing services to the residents of Hamilton County, and

WHEREAS, the Director of Public Health met with the Health Committee who authorized the advertising of a full time, on call, weekend registered nurse, and

WHEREAS, Jennifer Svoboda of Porters Corners, NY is a licensed Registered Nurse with 21 years of experience, and has applied for this position, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Director of Public Health is authorized to hire Jennifer Svoboda, RN as a Full Time Registered Professional Nurse, at an annual salary of \$56,268.00 at a grade 16, step 5, and be it further

RESOLVED, that Account No. A4050.0103 Registered Professional Nurse be created, and funded by a transfer of \$14,065.00 from Account No. A4010.0123 Public Health Clerk, and the Personnel Officer be so notified and the County Treasurer be so authorized.

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

AYES: STORTECKY, TOMLINSON, WELLS, FREY, D. WILT, SEAMAN AND FARBER

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: R. WILT AND BEACH

**RESOLUTION NO. 270-19**

**AUTHORIZING BIDS FOR TRANSPORTATION FOR A PRESCHOOL CHILD FROM  
LONG LAKE TO CHILDREN'S CORNER IN TUPPER LAKE, NY**

**DATED: SEPTEMBER 23, 2019**

**BY MR. SEAMAN:**

WHEREAS, Hamilton County is obligated to provide roundtrip transportation for Hamilton County children receiving Early Intervention or Preschool Special Education services that cannot be provided in the home setting, and

WHEREAS, the HCPHNS staff encourage parents to provide transportation, which however is not an option for this family beginning September 4, 2019, be it

RESOLVED, that bids for roundtrip transportation from Long Lake to Children's Corner in Tupper Lake, NY be solicited from vendors for the 2019 fall and spring school sessions.

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

AYES: STORTECKY, TOMLINSON, WELLS, FREY, D. WILT, SEAMAN AND FARBER

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: R. WILT AND BEACH

Other Reports:

The Chairman discussed the mapping project. Initially it was Forestport, Webb and Inlet. They have since expanded to take in the Route 28 corridor now therefore impacting Arietta, Long Lake and Blue Mountain. It is his understanding that the communities just listed in conjunction with Forestport and Webb are going to be using Ezra Schwartz to do some mapping. He thinks the pricing is \$2,700. The mapping relates to the interception of Broadband coverage and 911 mapping. The main conflict with respect to no one having one easy to read map is the fact that Spectrum, in order to release their data, forces the municipalities to enter into a non-disclosure agreement. The Broadband program office map shows, for any location and any census track when clicked upon, who the providers are that are available. He thinks that Essex and Franklin Counties are working with Mr. Schwartz to do their mapping. Ms. Schwartz is also working with Forestport, Webb, Inlet, Long Lake, Arietta and Blue Mountain for the Route 28 corridor. The proposal is for an additional \$1,000 and they would do the mapping countywide. The question he has is, what is the value of that mapping to the remainder of the county. He asked the Supervisors already involved with the mapping if there is value. The Supervisors discussed it further. There are a couple of different issues with the towns. The Chairman stated that he doesn't understand why they have to buy a map for the rest of the County that shows what another map already shows. The Chairman stated that this was a generous offer but not sure the value. He was just in Albany testifying about how he feels that Broadband didn't go far enough. There were too many people left behind.

Mr. Seaman asked where we were with Frontier's Service and Repair. He has a telephone line down in Long Lake that is municipal and it has been like this for a month. The Chairman asked if he had the documentation regarding a ticket called in. He also stated that this is a good example of a great case study to take to Legislators and the Public Service Commission because this shows exactly what's going on; no logical prioritization and just an overwhelming lack of capacity service responsiveness. He asked Mr. Seaman to share the information he has.

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