

2022

THIRD SESSION

MARCH 3, 2022

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

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

Arietta	Chris D. Rhodes
Benson	Phillip C. Snyder
Hope	Steven M. Tomlinson
Indian Lake	Brian Wells
Inlet	John Frey
Lake Pleasant	Betsy A. Bain
Long Lake	Clay J. Arsenault
Morehouse	William G. Farber
Wells	Nick Mauro

Also present: County Attorney, Tracy Eldridge – Highway Superintendent and Barry Baker-Real Property Tax Director/Budget Officer

A motion was made to accept the minutes of January 6th and February 3, 2022 by Mr. Arsenault, seconded by Ms. Bain. Carried.

Public Comment: No one present.

The County Attorney stated that he had received documents and had some minor things to discuss regarding Cedar Heights Timber. He also stated that he feels the Cathead option is not really an option. Mr. Farber had discussed this with Jacqueline Murray, Murray Law Firm, and they had decided to strengthen that. Mr. Arsenault asked if that was in regards to the 10-year lease. Mr. Farber stated that the option was Cathead Mountain and Cedar Heights was Buck Mountain. The County Attorney stated that because of the term the County has to adopt a local law.

Reports of Standing/Special Committees:

Mr. Farber: Stated that there was a lot going on in Emergency Preparedness and that there are resolutions on the agenda. He would like to have C&S Engineers do in person meetings on a quarterly basis. He has confirmed that they would be available for the 28th and would like to add them for Committee Day. He thought that it might take an hour to discuss all the tower sites they are working on. The Chairman let everyone know that Jill Dunham, Emergency Services Director, would be out for a little while due to an injury. Mr. Farber stated that Gordon Purdy, Deputy Emergency Services Director, has been graciously leaning in and picking up more in the interim.

Mr. Mauro: Stated that Jane Zarecki, County Clerk, was in on Committee Day. She had stated that one of her DMV Clerk's had resigned. She had another individual interested but has since declined. The person will still be taking the exam.

Mr. Frey: No report.

Mr. Rhodes: Stated that he has received good input from the broadband survey and that it is still ongoing. He also stated that there has been a good response but it would be nice to have more.

Mr. Tomlinson: Stated that there were a couple resolutions for Public Works on the agenda.

Mr. Arsenault: Stated that he had attended the Local Government Review Board (LGRB) meeting. He thought it was very interesting. They discussed the housing crisis and how it was affecting everyone in the Adirondacks. They discussed bed tax and how Warren and Essex Counties generate about \$6 Million each. Franklin County is about \$1 Million and they only started collecting a couple years ago. They also discussed the Barton Mines permit and Census numbers. He stated how the Adirondack Park had lost 7,000 people but Hamilton County's population increased 5.6%.

Mr. Snyder: Stated that he and the Chairman attended Inter-County in Fulton County. They did a nice presentation on the money that was received from the American Rescue Fund and how he had a nice conversation with Assemblyman Smullen. The Chairman asked if more were interested in Inter-County. He had read their rules and regulations and it didn't have to be just the three Supervisors, the Chairman and the Clerk of the Board. He thought it was an automatic invite if the meeting was in your county. Mr. Farber further discussed past practices.

Ms. Bain: Stated that she had attended the Soil & Water meeting. One of the big things discussed was their new website. They have hired a company to come in to do that for them.

The Chairman stated that Lenny Croote, Soil & Water District Technician, had come to Indian Lake and did the GPS mapping for their snowmobile trails. He was really impressed by his work and stated that they were lucky to have him. Tracy Eldridge, Highway Superintendent, agreed with the Chairman. Stated that Mr. Croote helps out the Highway in a lot of areas and he truly is an asset to Hamilton County.

Bid Opening:

Bid Specification No. 1-2022 Vehicles

1. Don's Ford

2022 Ford F250 4x4 Regular Cab w/Plow	\$44,160
2022 Ford F550 4X4 Crew w/Utility Body	\$78,215
2022 Ford F600 4X4 Regular Cab w/Dump Body	\$71,815
2022 Subaru Impreza	No bid

2. Carbone Subaru

2022 Ford F250 4x4 Regular Cab w/Plow	No bid
2022 Ford F550 4X4 Crew w/Utility Body	No bid
2022 Ford F600 4X4 Regular Cab w/Dump Body	No bid
2022 Subaru Impreza	\$23,942 subject to availability

Mr. Eldridge stated that he had a resolution on the agenda to rescind standardization of light vehicles. He had good intentions but then COVID-19 impacted the County and the markets are unbelievable. He doesn't feel that this will be getting better any time soon. He discussed eventually being forced to change to electric. He stated that they would have to start thinking about going outside the box as well as seeing what the County wants to do about vehicles going forward. He also stated that counties are paying more than list price for vehicles right now.

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

Tracy Eldridge left the meeting to review the bids.

PRESENTATION:

The Clerk of the Board stated that the County has contracted with MyTech for IT Services over the last year. They are moving forward with a lot of cyber improvements that they needed to do because of insurance. She stated that Jaime Shear, President, and Mike Tompkins, Senior Network Engineer, of MyTech were going to give an update as well as what they will be doing next and why.

Mr. Shear and Mr. Tompkins handed out copies of the presentation on the importance of switching over to Microsoft Office 365.

Mr. Tompkins stated that the current email system isn't safe. There is no security and he discussed what the advantages were to moving to Microsoft Office 365 (O365). One way is through a centralized administration portal which is something that the insurance companies are asking for cybersecurity. It is a way to manage all the users and email accounts. Insurance companies are looking for a way to provide adequate emails for any kind of lawsuits in a timely fashion. It gives a lot more flexibility on how to use the emails, what email accounts they want public facing and what's shown on the website itself. Another way is by having a secure connection. So, no matter where you are reading the email from there is a secure encrypted connection and there is no way for someone to intercept any kind of plain text information in the middle. There is the ability to access your email from any type of device. No matter where you go you will see the exact same emails. Multi form authentication was something that the County needed to have to continue getting cybersecurity insurance and it's built right into O365. Another way is that data is backed up; O365 offers its own form of checks and balances and there is 24/7 support. MyTech also offers an additional backup solution and O365 offers advanced threat analytics. He discussed email encryption, spam protection and future projects like Microsoft Teams and Email Groups. Mr. Tompkins stated that the price is not much different than what the County pays for the Rackspace

Email. Mr. Frey asked if this was a complete Office product. Mr. Tompkins stated that they were proposing just the emails. They have been buying the O365 word and excel as a one-time purchase but going forward if the County wanted to do monthly or annual commitment, they could do that too. This will need a lot of planning and organization. The switch over isn't that bad and could be scheduled around non-busy hours or even the weekend.

Mike Tompkins and Jaime Shear left the meeting.

The Board further discussed what Pyramid covered and if cybersecurity was discussed with them. They discussed how some of the County departments are different and are covered by New York State for example. They discussed how the County has a contract with MyTech for IT Services and how O365 is additional. Going to O365 would be an upgrade to everyone's County email.

RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION NO. 97-22

INVESTMENT POLICY UPDATE-NEW PERMITTED INVESTMENTS

DATED: MARCH 3, 2022

BY MR. FREY:

WHEREAS, recent NYS legislation amended General Municipal Law Section 11 to add permitted investments, and

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Investment Policy needs to be updated to reflect these permitted investments, be it

RESOLVED, that the Hamilton County Investment Policy under Section XI-PERMITTED INVESTMENTS, combine present language of Sections 5 and 6 and add 6 through 10 as new sections on the policy attached, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Board and County Treasurer be so advised.

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

**AYES: RHODES, SNYDER, TOMLINSON, WELLS, FREY, BAIN, ARSENAULT,
FARBER AND MAURO**

NAYS: NONE

After the following resolution was placed on the floor; the Chairman thanked the Clerk of the Board for all the work she put into it and hoped that it didn't make her job harder. Mr. Tomlinson asked how long it would take to get it up and running. The Clerk of the Board stated that everything was ready to go and it would take a week to get credit cards after she called.

RESOLUTION NO. 98-22

RESCINDING PRIOR CREDIT CARD POLICIES AND ADOPTING NEW CREDIT CARD POLICY ALLOWING FOR DEPARTMENT HEADS TO HAVE THE ABILITY TO OBTAIN A COUNTY CREDIT CARD

DATED: MARCH 3, 2022

BY MR. FREY:

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 223-13 adopted September 5, 2013 authorized the Chairman of the Board to obtain a single credit card for county use and established a credit card policy, and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 70-21 adopted April 1, 2021 authorized purchases up to \$500 without prior committee approval, and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that it would be beneficial for the Department Heads to have the option of having their own credit card and a policy for said credit cards has been presented to the Finance Committee, be it

RESOLVED, that Resolution No. 223-13 and Resolution No. 70-21 are hereby rescinded, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Credit Card Policy presented to the Finance Committee on February 22, 2022 and as on file with the Clerk of the Board is hereby approved.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 99-22

**FUNDING 2018 STATEWIDE INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS GRANT –
SI18-1047-D04**

DATED: MARCH 3, 2022

BY MR. FARBER:

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Emergency Management Department has been awarded the NYS 2018 Statewide Interoperable Communications Formula Grant SI18-1047-D04 through the NYS 2018 Statewide Interoperable Communications Formula Grant program (2018 SICG Formula) in the amount of \$544,803.00, and

WHEREAS, the funds have not been spent, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer be authorized to fund Account No. A3645.0402 Statewide Communications Grant SI18-1047-D04 at \$282,901.93 to be totally offset by funding Revenue Account No. A3389.0302 – Statewide Communications Grant at \$282,901.93 and the Director of Emergency Management and Sheriff be so notified.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 100-22

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

DATED: MARCH 3, 2022

BY MR. FARBER:

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Emergency Management Department has been awarded the NYS Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services (DHSES) Grant Project SH19-1020-D00 in the amount of \$49,985.00, and

WHEREAS, the funds have not been spent, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer be authorized to fund Account No. A3645.0403 SHSP Grant SH19-1020-D00 at \$231.67 to be totally offset by funding Revenue Account No. A3389.0124 SHSP Grant SH19-1020-D00 at \$231.67 and the Director of Emergency Management and Sheriff be so notified.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 101-22

**FUNDING NYS DIVISION OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY
SERVICES GRANT – SH20-1037-D00**

DATED: MARCH 3, 2022

BY MR. SNYDER:

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Emergency Management Department has been awarded the NYS 2020 SHSP Grant through FY2020 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) Project SH20-1037-D00 in the amount of \$47,731.00, and

WHEREAS, the funds have not been spent, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer be authorized to fund Account No. A3645.0423 SHSP Grant SH20-1037-D00 at \$37,794.00 to be totally offset by funding Revenue Account No. A3389.0127 SHSP Grant SH20-1037-D00 at \$37,794.00 and the Director of Emergency Management and Sheriff be so notified.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 102-22

TRANSFER OF FUNDS – 2021 BUDGET

DATED: MARCH 3, 2022

BY MR. FREY:

WHEREAS, several small corrections have been identified as necessary in the 2021 Budget, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer is hereby authorized to transfer \$1,029.74 from the Unappropriated General Fund Balance in accordance with Section 366 Subdivision 1 of the County Law to the following 2021 Budget Accounts:

A1170.0102 Public Defender Admin Staff	\$ 307.60
A3640.0101 Emerg. Manag. Director	\$ 560.95
A3640.0103 Fire Coordinator P/T	\$ 161.19

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer be hereby authorized to increase Account No. A4310.0430 Mental Health, Resource Officer Contractual by \$14,450.52 to be totally offset by increasing Revenue Account No. A1289.0100 CS-RTA SCPI by \$14,450.52.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 103-22

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ANNUAL SOFTWARE PLAN WITH SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT GROUP, INC. AND PAYMENT OF THE ANNUAL FEE FOR IMAGE MATE ONLINE SYSTEM FOR HOSTING REAL PROPERTY TAX SERVICES AGENCY TAX AND ASSESSMENT DATA

DATED: MARCH 3, 2022

BY MR. ARSENAULT:

WHEREAS, based on the recommendation of the Real Property Tax Services Agency, and by agreement of the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors, dissemination of real property tax and assessment data in digital form through a securely hosted internet based platform is a valuable enhancement to services provided by Hamilton County and a tangible benefit to taxpayers, real estate professionals and others, and

WHEREAS, the Real Property Tax Services Agency engaged Systems Development Group, Inc. as authorized by the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors to develop, host, upload regular software and Hamilton County data updates, and provide maintenance as stated for a Hamilton County specific version of their Image Mate Online system for a term of four (4) consecutive years commencing 03/01/2014 and subsequent approval of three (3) years through 02/28/2021 and one (1) year through 02/28/2022 all with an annual fee of \$6,000, and

WHEREAS, the Real Property Tax Services Agency has received and has approved a proposal for an additional one (1) year extension agreement for the term 03/01/2022 through 02/28/2023 at an annual fee of \$6,000 from Systems Development Group, Inc., therefore, be it

RESOLVED, the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the proposed one year annual plan agreement and payment of the annual fee of \$6,000 (Six Thousand Dollars) with Systems Development Group, Inc of Utica, New York, for the Hamilton County Image Mate Online system.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 104-22

FUNDING NYS DEC SMART GROWTH GRANT C01054G AND AUTHORIZING FINAL PAYMENTS – HAMILTON COUNTY TRAILS IN TO PROSPERITY

DATED: MARCH 3, 2022

BY MR. FARBER:

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 26-20 adopted January 7, 2020 authorized and funded NYS DEC Smart Growth Grant C01054G Hamilton County Trails In To Prosperity in the amount of \$66,500.00, and

WHEREAS, there are unspent funds remaining in said grant, and

WHEREAS, invoices for final payments have been submitted by Wilderness Property Management, Inc. and Nancy Berkowitz, Community Development Consultant, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer is hereby authorized to fund Account No. A6326.0412 Trails in to Prosperity in the amount of \$10,760.00 to be totally offset by funding Revenue Account No. A3789.0300 Trails in to Prosperity in the amount of \$10,760.00, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer is hereby authorized to pay Wilderness Property Management, Inc. for Invoice No. 289 in the amount of \$10,000.00 from Account No. A6326.0412 Trails in to Prosperity, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer is hereby authorized to pay Nancy Berkowitz, Community Development Consultant for Invoice No. T2P 6 in the amount of \$760.00 from Account No. A6326.0412 Trails in to Prosperity.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 105-22

**TRANSFER OF FUNDS TO COMPENSATE COUNTY 911 COORDINATOR AND
COUNTY 911 ADMINISTRATOR**

DATED: MARCH 3, 2022

BY MR. FARBER:

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 75-22 appointed Undersheriff Kevin D. Braunius as County 911 Coordinator and Deputy Justin W. Loomis as County 911 Administrator, be it

RESOLVED, that Undersheriff Braunius will be compensated in the amount of \$1,000.00 annually for said position, and be it further

RESOLVED, that Deputy Loomis will be compensated in the amount of \$1,000.00, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer and Personnel Officer are hereby authorized to make the following transfer and compensate Undersheriff Braunius and Deputy Loomis:

FROM:
A3110.0408 – Enforcement Schools \$2,000.00

TO:
A3110.0102 – Undersheriff \$1,000.00
A3110.0109 – Deputy B \$1,000.00

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

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

NAYS: NONE

After the following resolution was placed on the floor; Mr. Farber stated that this had moved slower than they wanted it to. Jacqueline Murray, Murray Law Firm, had just sent the agreement and being that it was past the deadline to get a claim in they didn't want to holdup the payment. They have until April to get this done so they are amending what they originally approved. When the details are worked out the Treasurer's Department can go ahead and pay.

RESOLUTION NO. 106-22

**AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO HATCHBROOK SPORTSMAN'S CLUB/THOMAS
GANG FOR ONE YEAR OPTION ON CATHEAD**

DATED: MARCH 3, 2022

BY MR. FARBER:

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 74-22 authorized a one year option on the Cathead Property at a cost of \$10,000.00, with the option of a one year renewal, for the purpose of the establishment of a long term tower lease on the subject property, be it

RESOLVED, that upon fully executing said lease the County Treasurer is hereby authorized to pay the Hatchbrook Sportsman's Club/Thomas Gang \$10,000.00 from Account No. A3645.0402 Statewide Communications Grant SI18-1047-D04.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 107-22

**AUTHORIZING REGISTRATION FOR SPRING CONFERENCE AND PAYMENT OF
FEE FOR CORONER CARL TURNER**

DATED: MARCH 3, 2022

BY MR. ARSENAULT:

WHEREAS, Carl Turner, District #4 Coroner has requested to attend the New York State Association of County Coroners & Medical Examiners Spring Conference on March 18-20, 2022 in Munnsville, NY, and

WHEREAS, the registration payment for the Spring Conference must be received prior to March 11, 2022, be it

RESOLVED, that Carl Turner is hereby authorized to attend the New York State Association of County Coroners & Medical Examiners Spring Conference, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer is hereby authorized to make payment in the amount of \$600.00 for the Spring Conference from Account No. A1185.0401 Travel to NYSACCME, 6179 Middle Road, Munnsville, NY 13409.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 108-22

**AUTHORIZING SELECTION OF CONSULTING FIRM FOR CR4 BIG BROOK
BRIDGE PROJECT**

DATED: MARCH 3, 2022

BY MR. TOMLINSON:

WHEREAS, Hamilton County has been awarded \$2,217,414.00 for the replacement of the CR4 Big Brook Bridge over Big Brook located in the Town of Indian Lake through the Bridge NY 2021 program, and

WHEREAS, the County Highway Superintendent sent out Request for Interest to fifteen consulting firms that are on NYSDOT Region 2 list for Locally Administered Federal Aid Projects (LAFAs), and

WHEREAS, Hamilton County has a three member committee to review and select a consulting firm that meets the needs for Hamilton County on the proposed project, and

WHEREAS, the Highway Superintendent received interest from fourteen firms and the committee reviewed the firms qualifications and selected Greenman-Pedersen, Inc. (GPI) of Albany to proceed with the project, and

WHEREAS, the Highway Superintendent recommends that the County Board approve the selection made by the selection committee, be it

RESOLVED, the Chairman of the Board is hereby authorized to sign a contract agreement with Greenman-Pedersen, Inc. for the CR4 Big Brook Bridge Project located on County Route 4 in the Town of Indian Lake with the approval of the County Attorney and the Treasurer, Clerk of the Board and Highway Superintendent be so notified.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 109-22

AUTHORIZING THE IMPLEMENTATION, AND FUNDING OF 100% OF THE COSTS OF A TRANSPORTATION PROJECT, OF WHICH QUALIFIED COSTS MAY BE REIMBURSED FROM BRIDGE NY FUNDS

DATED: MARCH 3, 2022

BY MR. TOMLINSON:

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 106-19 authorizes a Project for the Bridge NY 2018: County Road 24 Over Oxbow Outlet Culvert Replacement, Town of Arietta, Hamilton County, P.I.N. 2754.59.30 ("the Project") is eligible for reimbursement of qualified costs from Bridge NY funding that calls for the post-reimbursement apportionment of the qualified costs to be borne at the ratio of 100% Bridge NY funds and 0% non-Bridge NY funds, and

WHEREAS, the Project was publically bid and let to lowest responsible bidder at \$466,342.43 and was duly adopted and awarded by Resolution No. 132-21 by the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors on May 25, 2021, and

WHEREAS, the County of Hamilton desires to advance the Project by making a commitment of 100% of the costs of the construction of the Project, be it

RESOLVED, that the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the County of Hamilton to pay 100% of the cost of construction work for the Project or portions thereof, with the understanding that qualified costs will be reimbursed from Bridge NY funding up to \$248,750.00 per the original Bridge NY award, be it further

RESOLVED, that the sum of \$217,592.43 is hereby appropriated from the Unappropriated County Road Fund Balance in accordance with Section 366 Subdivision 1 of the County Law to Account No. D5112.2022 Oxbow Outlet Culvert Replacement Project and made available to cover the cost over the Bridge NY award of the Project, be it further

RESOLVED, the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors hereby agrees that the County of Hamilton shall be responsible for all costs of the Project, including costs which exceed the amount reimbursement available from the Bridge NY Funding awarded to the County of Hamilton, be it further

RESOLVED, that in the event the costs of the Project exceed the amount appropriated above, the Board of Supervisors shall convene as soon as possible to appropriate said excess amount immediately upon the notification by the New York State Department of Transportation thereof, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors hereby agrees that construction of the Project hereby commits that construction of the Project shall begin no later than twenty-four (24) months after award and that the project shall be completed within thirty (30) months, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors be and is hereby authorized to execute all necessary Agreements, certifications or reimbursement requests on behalf of the County of Hamilton with the New York State Department of Transportation for State Aid and/or Bridge NY funding in connection with the advancement or approval of the Project and providing for the administration of the Project and the municipality's funding of the Project costs, be it further

RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be filed with the New York State Commissioner of Transportation by attaching it to any necessary Agreement in connection with the Project, be it further

RESOLVED, this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 110-22

AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF ROAD TRACTOR FOR DPW

DATED: MARCH 3, 2022

BY MR. TOMLINSON:

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 271-21 Authorizes the Superintendent to purchase a road tractor from Tracey Road Equipment, and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent was notified from Tracey Road Equipment that the Purchase Order for the said tractor will be delayed due to market instability and have a minimum surcharge of \$4,500.00 and possibly won't be built until 2023, and

WHEREAS, the DPW Superintendent has met with the Public Works Committee to discuss the purchase of a different make and model road tractor from Tracey Road Equipment and cancelling the current order for a Western Star tractor, and

WHEREAS, the County DPW Superintendent has received a written quote for a new 2022 Freightliner Coronado tractor with a five year extended warranty from Tracey Road Equipment under Onondaga County Contract currently in inventory and delivered for \$163,110.72, be it

RESOLVED, that hereby the County DPW Superintendent is authorized to order said road tractor from Tracey Road Equipment under Onondaga County Contract pricing at a cost of \$163,110.72 and it will be a charge to Account DM5130.0201 Road Machinery and the County Treasurer, Clerk of the Board and County DPW Superintendent be so notified.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 111-22

**RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. 47-20 STANDARDIZATION OF LIGHT VEHICLE
FLEET**

DATED: MARCH 3, 2022

BY MR. TOMLINSON:

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 47-20 duly adopted on January 27, 2020 authorized the standardization of the light vehicle fleet because of but not limited to improved maintenance efficiency, fewer diagnostic and specialty tools, reduced parts inventory and increased operator efficiency, and

WHEREAS, since the adoption of said resolution, the Covid-19 pandemic has had a disastrous effect on global markets which has affected the ability to purchase vehicles and parts, and

WHEREAS, due to the impact of the pandemic on supply and demand, the County has needed to purchase vehicles outside the standardized list that were available and met the County fleet needs, and

WHEREAS, the shortages continue to affect availability and the Fleet Coordinator recommends that Resolution No. 47-20 be rescinded for future vehicle fleet purchases, be it

RESOLVED, that hereby the County Board of Supervisors rescinds Resolution No. 47-20 effective immediately and the County Treasurer, Clerk of the Board and Fleet Coordinator be so advised.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 112-22

APPROVAL OF AUDITS IN COUNTY HIGHWAY FUNDS

DATED: MARCH 3, 2022

BY MR. FREY:

RESOLVED, that the bills in the Machinery Fund amounting to \$292,921.93 and bills in the County Road Fund amounting to \$159,535.78 presented by the County Superintendent of Highways and audited this day by the County Public Works Committee, be, and the same hereby are approved and audited.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 113-22

APPROVAL OF AUDITS IN THE COUNTY GENERAL FUND

DATED: MARCH 3, 2022

BY MR. FREY:

RESOLVED, that the bills audited this day in the County General Fund in the amount of \$206,529.92 by the following committees:

Public Works (Buildings) Committee.....	\$33,304.93
Public Works (Solid Waste) Committee	20,798.16
Finance Committee	71,627.17
Health Committee.....	15,425.72
Human Services Committee.....	22,840.60
Central Government Committee	20,075.14
Emergency Prep./Emergency Response.....	16,450.27
Publicity, Tourism, Economic Development & Planning Committee.....	3,939.67
Internal Management Committee	2,068.26

are hereby approved.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 114-22

AWARD OF BID FOR SPECIFICATION NO. 1-2022 VEHICLES

DATED: MARCH 3, 2022

BY MR. RHODES:

WHEREAS, the Public Works Committee authorized the County Highway Superintendent to advertise for bids for the purchase of New 2022 Model Year Vehicles, and

WHEREAS, two (2) bids were received for 2022 Model Year Vehicles in accordance with Specification No. 1-2022 as advertised by the Highway Superintendent and Public Works Committee, and

WHEREAS, the following bids were received:

1. Don's Ford
5712 Horatio St., Utica, NY 13502

- Item 1 – 2022 Ford F250 Pickup Bid Price - \$44,160.00
- Item 2 – 2022 Ford F550 Crew Cab Bid Price - \$78,215.00
- Item 3 – 2022 Ford F600 Regular Cab Bid Price - \$71,815.00
- Item 4 – 2022 Subaru Impreza Sedan Bid Price - \$No Bid

2. Carbone Subaru
5036 Commercial Drive, Yorkville, NY 13495

Item 1 – 2022 Ford F250 Pickup Bid Price - \$No Bid
Item 2 – 2022 Ford F550 Crew Cab Bid Price - \$No Bid
Item 3 – 2022 Ford F600 Regular Cab Bid Price - \$No Bid
Item 4 – 2022 Subaru Impreza Sedan Bid Price - \$23,942.00

and

WHEREAS, the low bids for each item are as follows:

Item 1 – 2022 Ford F250 Pickup Bid Price - \$44,160.00
Item 2 – 2022 Ford F550 Crew Cab Bid Price - \$78,215.00
Item 3 – 2022 Ford F600 Regular Cab Bid Price - \$71,815.00
Item 4 – 2022 Subaru Impreza Sedan Bid Price - \$23,942.00

and

WHEREAS, the Fleet Coordinator recommends the award be made to lowest bidder for each item, be it

RESOLVED, the Board of Supervisors does award the bid to the lowest bidder for each Item as herein mentioned and the Fleet Coordinator, County Treasurer and Clerk of the Board be so advised.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

Other Reports:

Mr. Farber: Stated that he would be following up with Frontier on what happened to the 911 Center. He will also be having a conversation with Mr. Rhodes and Christy Wilt, Economic and Tourism Director, about incorporating broadband into it. He wants to work with Mr. Baker to get the full maps of the whole County because of the way that the cell phone calls are coming in. Mr. Tomlinson asked if they received an answer on Spectrum using fiber for Hope. Mr. Farber stated that they absolutely could do that and he feels it would be a better experience than what Warren County is experiencing because this will be a brand-new full fiber system. He did state that they do have some restrictions on how they can utilize the fiber. He discussed potentially using DANC and Spectrum. Mr. Frey discussed the problems with the new Verizon tower in Inlet. He would like to setup a meeting with all the parties involved so they can figure out the cell phone calls. Mr. Farber asked if Mr. Frey would share the information, he had with him because he had been hearing something different. He further discussed what happens to the revenue if calls are hopped around.

RESOLUTIONS: *(continued)*

Tracy Eldridge handed out the following resolutions:

RESOLUTION NO. 115-22

AUTHORIZING FLEET COORDINATOR TO PURCHASE TWO TRUCKS FOR 2022

DATED: MARCH 3, 2022

BY MR. TOMLINSON:

WHEREAS, the County Board of Supervisors have duly adopted the 2022 Hamilton County Budget, and

WHEREAS, within the said adopted 2022 budget the Board appropriated \$315,000.00 for equipment purchases for the Highway Department, and

WHEREAS, the Highway Superintendent recommends that the department purchase two (2) trucks for use in 2022 as follows:

- (1) 2022 Ford F550 4X4 Crew Cab w/Utility Body - \$78,215.00
- (1) 2022 Ford F600 4X4 Regular Cab w/Dump Body - \$71,815.00

be it

RESOLVED, that the Fleet Coordinator is hereby authorized to order two (2) 2022 Ford trucks for the DPW as mentioned herein for a total of \$150,030.00 for two (2) Ford trucks delivered from Don's Ford of Utica, 5712 Horatio St., Utica, NY 13502, be it further

RESOLVED, the Chairman of the Board be authorized to enter into a contract with the approval of the County Attorney for the said trucks and the County Treasurer, Fleet Coordinator and the Clerk of the Board be so notified.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

RESOLUTION NO. 116-22

**AUTHORIZING FLEET COORDINATOR TO PURCHASE ONE VEHICLE FOR
PUBLIC HEALTH 2022**

DATED: MARCH 3, 2022

BY MR. FREY:

WHEREAS, the County Board of Supervisors have duly adopted the 2022 Hamilton County Budget, and

WHEREAS, within the said adopted 2022 budget the Board appropriated \$25,000.00 for the purchase of one vehicle for the Public Health Department, and

WHEREAS, the Fleet Coordinator recommends the purchase of one (1) sedan for use in 2022 as follows:

(1) 2022 Subaru Impreza - \$23,942.00

be it

RESOLVED, that the Fleet Coordinator is hereby authorized to order one (1) 2022 Subaru Impreza for Public Health mentioned herein for a total of \$23,942.00 delivered from Carbone Subaru, 5036 Commercial Drive, Yorkville, NY 13495, be it further

RESOLVED, the Chairman of the Board be authorized to enter into a contract with the approval of the County Attorney for the said vehicle and the County Treasurer, Fleet Coordinator and the Clerk of the Board be so notified.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

Other Reports: *(continued)*

Mr. Mauro: No Report

Mr. Frey: Stated that he hoped that Kimberly Byrne, Personnel Officer, would have been there so he could have a discussion with her about something going on in Inlet. He has been having problems with his Police Department in getting qualified officers, coming out of the academy and getting on the list. They are currently running with two people on probation because they don't fit in with the Retirement System nor Civil Service. He has one officer that he would like to get a waiver for because he is a retired officer from the Rome Police Department. He has been going around with Retirement and Civil Service in Albany. Civil Service has told him that they would probably be able to get a waiver now because of everything they have been trying to do in the last five years to get full time employees in the Police Department but they need to have Civil Service designation on it. He stated that Ms. Byrne would be allowed to do that at the local level. He stated that Ms. Byrne keeps calling Albany and gets a different answer but he and Inlet Police Chief Johnston have talked to the same person who has said that this is a county wide decision. He stated how the County Board is within its rights to appoint this person as a fulltime officer and

apply for the waiver. He will probably be bringing this for next month and would have liked to discuss this with Ms. Byrne today. He stated that he was upset that she was not there and hopes it's not personal but it's the second time he has looked for her on a Thursday when the Board is there. The Chairman stated that there are exceptions to the rule but is considering sending a memo asking the Department Heads to make sure that on the first Thursday of the month they are available for the Board of Supervisor meetings. Mr. Frey stated that he was looking for the Board's support next month if he could get something together. He doesn't want to lose this officer.

Mr. Rhodes: No Report

Mr. Tomlinson: No Report

Mr. Arsenault: Stated that he had learned that Barton Mines spends \$7 Million in employee benefits and wages for their 100 employees and wanted to share that with the Board.

Mr. Snyder: No Report

Ms. Bain: Stated that she was sorry to see Kate Beaudoin leave the Treasurer's Office. She had been a tremendous help for Lake Pleasant and she will be missed.

The Chairman stated that Cathy Rogers, Democratic Commissioner, is out with an injury.

The Chairman stated that the NYSAC Legislative Conference is in Albany at the Desmond from March 14 – 16.

As there was no further business, motion to adjourn by Mr. Farber, seconded by Mr. Mauro. Carried.