

THIRD SPECIAL SESSION
December 27, 2022
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 Tuesday, December 27, 2022 at 11:00 A.M. for the purpose of extending the 2022 Heating Fuel Contract and for any other business that may come before said Board.

Arietta _____	Chris D. Rhodes
Benson _____	Phillip C. Snyder
Hope _____	ABSENT
Indian Lake _____	Brian E. Wells
Inlet _____	ABSENT
Lake Pleasant _____	Betsy A. Bain
Long Lake _____	Clay J. Arsenault
Morehouse _____	William G. Farber
Wells _____	ABSENT

Also present: Beth Hunt-Treasurer, Kimberly Byrne-Personnel Officer and Tracy Eldridge-Highway Superintendent

Public Comment: No one present.

Reports of Standing/Special Committees:

Mr. Farber: Stated that they have put off the bi-weekly calls until after the 1st of the year. He and Mr. Rhodes had a discussion and are working on the one-pagers that they put together to share between Emergency Communications and the cell industry.

The Chairman stated that the bill that was before the Governor for the fulltime salary for District Attorney was vetoed. He thanked Mr. Farber for the hard work that he had put in all these years working with the Assembly and Senators to get this at least to the desk. He thinks it's something the Board needs to really sit down and think about. Mr. Farber stated that both times that it got to the Governor the message has been the same, that it should be part of the budget because it has monetary costs attached to it. If they are going to pursue it, rather than just a standalone bill, they should work with them to see if they can get it in the budget. It is probably a conversation that they need to have as a Board on how they want to proceed.

The Chairman stated that with the redistricting it looks like they are splitting Hamilton County and as a Board they should discuss this. Assemblyman Smullen had called him and wanted to know Hamilton County's thoughts on being divided. He suggested that it be on for the next committee day. They further discussed the split and districts. The Chairman and Mr. Farber stated that the Legislative Commission on redistricting is having public meetings all over the state. The closest one is probably Albany, Mr. Farber would send the Board the schedule. The Chairman stated that they should have a common message for Hamilton County.

The Chairman introduced Kimberly Byrne, Personnel Officer.

Ms. Byrne stated that she was there to give an update on health insurance. Burnham Financial had reached out to her stating that Excellus and Nathan Littauer had worked out an agreement for 2023. She also got an email from the president of the hospital stating that as well.

RESOLUTIONS:

After the resolution was placed on the floor; Tracy Eldridge, Highway Superintendent, stated that he had sent out an email after he spoke with GA Bove. They had lost the bid and were happy to extend the contract. He was shocked because that is a good differential. Usually, gas and diesel are better than heating fuel. He is still working on something for the 2 school districts. The Chairman asked if they had bid on the schools and Mr. Eldridge stated that they never have. Petroleum Traders had been taking care of them and they chose not to bid this year. Mr. Farber stated that it might be better to re-bid the schools.

RESOLUTION NO. 427-22

EXTENSION OF AWARD OF BID FOR HEATING OIL FOR THE YEAR 2023

DATED: DECEMBER 27, 2022

BY MR. ARSENAULT:

WHEREAS, Hamilton County DPW solicited bids for the County's purchase of Heating Fuel per Specification No. 17-2021 for all owned County facilities for the year 2022, and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 40-22 the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors awarded the Heating Oil bid to G. A. Bove & Sons, Inc., and

WHEREAS, the referenced bid provides for a contract extension if both parties (Hamilton County and G. A. Bove & Sons, Inc.) agree that terms and conditions remain the same for the duration of the extension, and

WHEREAS, the County Highway Superintendent has contacted G. A. Bove & Sons, Inc. and that G. A. Bove & Sons, Inc. will agree to a contract extension for Heating Fuel at the same terms and conditions, and

WHEREAS, the County Highway Superintendent believes it is in Hamilton County's best interest to extend the current contract with G. A. Bove & Sons, Inc. due to price stability resulting in no increase to 2023 bid delivery prices, be it

RESOLVED, that the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors has determined that the bid awarded to G. A. Bove & Sons, Inc. for Heating Fuel should be extended for the fiscal year 2023 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. Farber and adopted by the following vote:

AYES: RHODES, SNYDER, WELLS, BAIN, ARSENAULT AND FARBER

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: TOMLINSON, FREY AND CREWELL

RESOLUTION NO. 428-22

**AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO COORDINATED CARE SERVICES, INC. (CCSI)
FOR STAFFING RECRUITMENT SERVICES – COMMUNITY SERVICES**

DATED: DECEMBER 27, 2022

BY MR. SNYDER:

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 214-22 duly adopted on July 7, 2022 authorizes Hamilton County Community Services to enter into an agreement with Coordinated Care Services, Inc. (CCSI) to assist in staffing recruitment services, and

WHEREAS, Phase 3 of this agreement has been completed by Coordinated Care Services, Inc. (CCSI) in the amount of \$13,703.00, and

WHEREAS, Community Services has 2022 funding available in Account No. A.4310.0117 Mental Health Social Work C to cover the cost, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer is hereby authorized to transfer \$13,703.00 from Account No. A4310.0117 Mental Health Social Work C to Account No. A4310.0403 Supplies & Services, and be it further

RESOLVED, the County Treasurer is hereby authorized to make payment to Coordinated Care Services, Inc. (CCSI), Attn: Accounts Receivable, 1099 Jay Street, Building J, Rochester, NY 14611 in the amount of \$13,703.00 and the funds be taken out of Account No. A.4310.0403 Supplies & Services and the Community Services Interim Director and the Clerk of the Board be so notified.

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

AYES: RHODES, SNYDER, WELLS, BAIN, ARSENAULT AND FARBER

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: TOMLINSON, FREY AND CREWELL

RESOLUTION NO. 429-22

**AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORDS SYSTEM
FROM CLINIC SOURCE – COMMUNITY SERVICES**

DATED: DECEMBER 27, 2022

BY MR. SNYDER:

WHEREAS, the Community Services Department has determined the need to implement an electronic health records system (EHR) to support mental health treatment services in accordance with Federal and State requirements, and

WHEREAS, an extensive review of applicable EHR systems were conducted and Clinic Source was determined to best meet the needs and cost requirements of the department, and

WHEREAS, the cost of the system includes an initial set up fee of \$250.00 which has been waived by Clinic Source and a current monthly fee of \$151.80 which consists of 1 Clinician at \$69.95, 2 Clinicians at \$34.95 each and 1 Administration/Other at \$11.95, and

WHEREAS, the contract will be annually but will be paid on a monthly basis as we are able to adjust the monthly cost based on our need to add/remove clinicians at a cost of \$34.95 per month per clinician and our need to add/remove Administration/Other at a cost of \$11.95 per month per Administration/Other, be it

RESOLVED, that with the approval of the County Attorney, the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized to sign applicable contracts to purchase the Clinic Source EHR, and the County Treasurer be so notified.

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

AYES: RHODES, SNYDER, WELLS, BAIN, ARSENAULT AND FARBER

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: TOMLINSON, FREY AND CREWELL

RESOLUTION NO. 430-22

**AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 419-22 – AGREEMENT WITH BERKSHIRE FARM
CENTER AND SERVICES FOR YOUTH FOR NON-SECURE DETENTION SERVICES**

DATED: DECEMBER 27, 2022

BY MR. SNYDER:

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 419-22 adopted December 16, 2022 authorized the agreement with Berkshire Farm Center and Services for Youth for Non-Secure Detention Services, and

WHEREAS, said Resolution mistakenly stated the per diem rate for an unreserved bed as \$475.00 when it should have been \$545.00, be it

RESOLVED, that Resolution No. 419-22 is hereby amended to correct the per diem rate for an unreserved bed to \$545.00.

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

AYES: RHODES, SNYDER, WELLS, BAIN, ARSENAULT AND FARBER

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: TOMLINSON, FREY AND CREWELL

Other Reports:

Mr. Farber: Discussed the campground closures. He has seen this before, once campgrounds lose dates or close, you can't get it back. Our only hope of saving this is to do something now. After the meeting on December 1st he saw Commissioner Basil Seggos at the Ranger School graduation. He seemed supportive but less committal than he thought would be ideal. The Commissioner had said that he was aware of it, and they were working on it at the Region. He also had been at the AATV meeting and had a chance to talk to people that have been advocating. He stated that there was a group that helped the County with the bridge over the Stony in Benson. They offered to do a sign-on letter, and he gave the Chairman a draft to review. They would be happy to circulate it. Mr. Farber stated that he thinks we should amplify the pressure. He feels the Governor and Commissioner Seggos need to hear it so that way it will ultimately help Mr. Zalewski solve the problem if they want to solve it. The Chairman stated that they have offered to host a job fair for NYSDEC campgrounds. He will get them the information when it is set.

Mr. Eldridge stated that most of them know, but one of his Road Supervisors passed away. Most knew Gregg Boyer well and it is a big blow for the department. He was a terrific employee. He would do anything with a smile on his face and worked very hard. The vendors and contractors that he worked with always praised him and was very respected by Andy Bell. He was just a good hard worker and dedicated. He stated that he has been struggling with this and was wondering if it would be possible that when they rehab the Burnham Mill Bridge this summer he could do a small plaque to dedicate that bridge to Mr. Boyer. He knows that it's an unusual request, but Mr. Boyer was so proud of this project. He was a dedicated employee and left us too soon. We had done something like this in 2010 in Inlet for Richard Payne. He feels that this would be a good memorial for Mr. Boyer. Mr. Farber stated that he would support that and encourages the Supervisors to go look at the bridge. Mr. Eldridge stated that Mr. Boyer also worked well with the Town Highway Superintendents and with their crews and that his comical side will also be missed. With the Board's support he will get a price and get it authorized. Ms. Bain stated that it was a nice idea and she supported it. All agreed.

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