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RESOLUTION NO.
SETTING EQUALIZATION RATES

DATED: AUGUST 6, 2026

BY

WHEREAS, per Subpart 8186-2 of Title 20 of the Official Compilation of Codes, Rules and Regulations of the State of New York, Hamilton County has received a certified statement setting forth the final State equalization rate, be it

RESOLVED, that the assessment rolls with said rates be adopted for the year 2026 as follows:

Arietta.....	89.00
Benson.....	59.00
Hope.....	59.00
Indian Lake.....	62.00
Inlet.....	80.00
Lake Pleasant.....	64.00
Long Lake.....	65.00
Morehouse.....	72.00
Wells.....	59.00

Seconded by

RESOLUTION NO.

**AUTHORIZING INSTALLATION OF ANCILLARY EQUIPMENT FOR SHERIFF K9
VEHICLE – 2026**

DATED: AUGUST 6, 2026

BY

WHEREAS, the Sheriff's Office has a new 2026 Chevrolet Tahoe PPV, and this vehicle requires the installation of ancillary equipment such as, but not limited to, two-way radios, emergency lights, sirens, K9 kennel, K9 alarm system, etc., and

WHEREAS, the 2021 Chevrolet Tahoe, which is dedicated as the K9 patrol vehicle will have some of the old equipment removed and repurposed into the new 2026 Chevrolet Tahoe PPV, and

WHEREAS, the County has received a written quote for the removal of old equipment, installation and purchase of the necessary parts for the ancillary equipment from JPJ Electronics, 1 W. Whitesboro St., Yorkville, New York, in the amount of \$20,614.68, and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff recommends moving forward with this equipment purchase and installation so the vehicle can be placed in service as quickly as possible in 2026, be it

RESOLVED, that Fleet Coordinator is hereby authorized to issue a Purchase Order to JPJ Electronics in the amount of \$20,614.68 for the equipment and install of the ancillary equipment, be it further

RESOLVED, that this will be a charge out of Account No. A3110.0202 – Automobile, be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer is hereby authorized to transfer \$20,614.68 from the Unappropriated General Fund Balance pursuant to Section 366(1) of the County Law to Account No. A3110.0202 – Automobile and the County Sheriff, Fleet Coordinator and the Clerk of the Board be so notified.

Seconded by

RESOLUTION NO.

**CONTRACT WITH MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION OF FULTON
MONTGOMERY COUNTIES, INC. FOR JOSEPH P. DWYER PEER TO PEER
PROGRAM**

DATED: AUGUST 6, 2026

BY

WHEREAS, Hamilton County Department of Mental Health and Community Services receives funding from the New York State Office of Mental Health for veteran's peer services in Hamilton County, commonly referred to as "Dwyer Funds", and

WHEREAS, these "Dwyer Funds" are specifically provided to cover the cost for the provision of veteran peer services programming in Hamilton County, and

WHEREAS, The Mental Health Association of Fulton and Montgomery Counties, Inc. located in Johnstown, NY has experience in operating this program in Fulton County and is ready, willing and able to provide similar services in Hamilton County, and

WHEREAS, the Mental Health Association of Fulton and Montgomery Counties, Inc. will provide "push in" services and programming to veterans located in Hamilton County, and upon completion of services and programming said Association will provide quarterly reports of services provided to the Local Government Unit and the cost of said services to be covered by said "Dwyer Funds" and at no additional or ancillary cost to Hamilton County, now, be it so

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors be authorized, upon approval of the County Attorney, to enter into and sign said contract with the Mental Health Association of Fulton Montgomery Counties, Inc. for the provision of peer service and programming to veterans in Hamilton County and that said contract with Mental Health Association in Fulton and Montgomery Counties, Inc, would be in an amount not to exceed \$109,732.00 and the cost of which would be compensated from said "Dwyer Funds" already allocated to the County for the provision of said service, and be it further

RESOLVED, that said contract would be in effect from October 1, 2026 until December 31, 2027, and for the purpose of operating this Clinic, said compensation would be paid in monthly installments from the Hamilton County "Dwyer Funds" dedicated for the provision of same, and be it further

RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution be provided to the County Chairman, the County Attorney, Director of Mental Health and Community Services and the County Treasurer.

Seconded by

RESOLUTION NO.

RESOLUTION CALLING FOR A TWO-YEAR DELAY OF THE FEDERAL SNAP ADMINISTRATIVE AND BENEFIT COST SHIFTS ENACTED UNDER H.R. 1 AND CALLING ON NEW YORK STATE TO HOLD COUNTIES HARMLESS IF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FAILS TO ACT

DATED: AUGUST 6, 2026

BY

WHEREAS, the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) is a vital source of food security for New Yorkers, serving approximately 2.7 million individuals in 1.5 million households, or roughly one in seven residents statewide, and delivering an estimated \$7.8 billion in federally funded benefits into local communities and economies, and

WHEREAS, New York is one of only ten (10) states in which counties are required by State law to administer SNAP and to share in its administrative costs, meaning that any changes to the federal cost structure are directly upon the individual counties to bear the cost of, and

WHEREAS, H.R. 1 of the 119th Congress reduces the federal share of SNAP administrative costs from fifty (50%) percent to twenty-five (25%) percent effective October 1, 2026, and under current New York State law the resulting increase in the nonfederal share is thus to be borne entirely by the individual counties, and

WHEREAS, this administrative cost shift is estimated at \$168 million annually Statewide, including approximately \$57 million which will now be directly borne by fifty-seven (57) counties (including Hamilton County) outside New York City, and is projected to grow with the imposition of new verification, tracking, and reporting requirements and expanded work requirements under this federal statute that will further increase county workloads and staffing needs, and

WHEREAS, taken together, the administrative and benefit cost shifts are projected to exceed \$1.3 billion in new annual SNAP costs for New York State and its counties (including Hamilton County,) representing one of the largest unfunded intergovernmental cost transfers in recent memory, and

WHEREAS, counties are among the units of New York State government least equipped to absorb these costs, as same are operating under New York State's property tax cap with limited revenue-raising authority, fixed mandated obligations and no ability to run deficits, and that a cost shift of this magnitude can be met only by raising a County's individual contribution to the SNAP program through higher taxes, reducing services, or both, and

WHEREAS, if these cost shifts take effect without delay or relief, Hamilton County will face the prospect of higher contribution to fund the SNAP program, the potential for reductions to this and other essential County services, and increased strain on the Department of Social Services at the very moment demand for food assistance is rising, while food-insecure households risk delays and disruptions in the benefits on which they rely, and

WHEREAS, a delay in the implementation of this statute and its commensurate mandates would give Congress and New York State the time necessary to develop a responsible funding solution and would protect county taxpayers and SNAP recipients from an abrupt and unbudgeted fiscal shock, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors hereby calls upon the United States Congress to enact a two-year delay of the SNAP administrative cost shift, postponing its effective date from Federal Fiscal Year 2027 to Federal Fiscal Year 2029, and be it further

RESOLVED, that Hamilton County further calls upon Congress to enact a corresponding two (2)-year delay of the SNAP benefit cost shift so that neither the State nor its counties are subjected to these new costs before a sustainable funding solution is in place, and be it further

RESOLVED, that in the event the federal government elects not to delay these cost shifts, Hamilton County calls upon the Governor of the State of New York and the New York State Legislature to hold counties harmless by appropriating State funds to cover the administrative and benefit cost shifts, recognizing that the individual counties are the units of government least equipped to absorb them and that the obligation to share these costs exists only as a matter of State law, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors is hereby directed to transmit certified copies of this Resolution to the members of the New York State Congressional Delegation representing Hamilton County, to the United States Senators for New York, to the members of the New York State Senate and Assembly representing Hamilton County, to the Governor of the State of New York, and to the President of New York State Association of Counties and the President of the New York Public Welfare Association.

Seconded by

RESOLUTION NO.

**APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES FOR CONSTRUCTION OF COUNTY ROAD FUND
PROJECTS FOR 2026**

DATED: AUGUST 6, 2026

BY

WHEREAS, there has been appropriated in the 2026 highway budget the sum of \$1,612,757.77 for the construction of County Road Fund Projects for 2026 and these funds are 100% reimbursed through the Consolidation Highway Improvement Program (CHIP's), and

WHEREAS, the County Highway Superintendent has recommended the expenditure of \$935,000.00 for the construction of the following projects:

COUNTY ROAD PROJECT NO. 5 Town of Arietta
Co. Rd. No. 24 – Old Piseco Rd., HMA Shim & Top @ 21 ft.
Approx. 0.5 mile.....\$125,000.00
Account No. D5112.2550

and

WHEREAS, the above designated roads and bridge are on a completed system of the Hamilton County road map adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Hamilton County and approved by the Commissioner of Transportation, be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Hamilton does allot and appropriate from Account No. D5112.0202 Capital Projects, the sum of \$125,000.00, for the construction 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

RESOLUTION NO.

**APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES FOR PAVEMENT MAINTENANCE ON VARIOUS
COUNTY ROADS 2026**

DATED: AUGUST 6, 2026

BY

WHEREAS, there has been appropriated in the 2026 highway budget the sum of \$400,000.00 for HMA for maintenance of County Roads, and

WHEREAS, there are roads/bridges that need to have Hot Mix Asphalt overlay treatments to keep the road in overall good condition, and

WHEREAS, the County Highway Superintendent recommends the approval of the following locations to have pavement maintenance completed,

HMA Overlay on Fayle Road Bridge, Town of Morehouse and Haskell Road Bridge, Town of Arietta.....Est..... \$25,000.00

HMA Overlay at Indian Lake Highway Facility near overhead doors,
Town of Indian Lake.....Est.....\$12,500.00

and

WHEREAS, purchase costs estimates are under New York State Contract or Piggy Back Contracts from other County's pricing which are subject to Escalation/De Escalation and above costs are based on estimates of current pricing, and

WHEREAS, the above designated projects are owned by Hamilton County, be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Hamilton does approve the said paving projects and funds be taken from Account No. D5110.0404 Asphalt and Emulsion in the estimated amount sum of \$37,500.00 as recommended by the County Highway Superintendent and the Clerk of the Board be so advised.

Seconded by

RESOLUTION NO.

**APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES FOR CONCRETE REPAIR ON COURTHOUSE
2026**

DATED: AUGUST 6, 2026

BY

WHEREAS, the Superintendent has found some concrete spalling around the foundation of the courthouse on the west and north sills along the height level of the parking lot and on the base of the bridge pedestals, and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent had R&B Construction give a proposal to make the said repairs, and

WHEREAS, these repairs need to be completed before the final paving of the courthouse parking areas can be completed, and

WHEREAS, R&B Construction's proposal is an estimated cost of \$26,000.00, and

WHEREAS, the County Highway Superintendent recommends the approval of the said repairs by R&B Construction under A.S. Bell Engineering's direction, and

WHEREAS, R&B Construction holds Hamilton County's contract for these type repairs,
be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors does approve the said repair project of the courthouse at an estimated cost of \$26,000.00 and funds be taken from the Building Reserve Fund to Account No. A1620.0413 Building Projects as recommended by the County Highway Superintendent and the Clerk of the Board be so advised.

Seconded by

RESOLUTION NO.

**AUTHORIZING PURCHASE ORDERS FOR FURNITURE, FURNISHINGS AND
INSTALLATION SERVICES – HAMILTON COUNTY COURTHOUSE FIRST FLOOR
RENOVATIONS PROJECT**

DATED: AUGUST 6, 2026

BY

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Courthouse First Floor Renovations Project is an authorized capital project of the County, charged to Account No. A1620.0418, Courthouse First Floor Renovation Project, and

WHEREAS, said renovation project requires the procurement of custom-built furniture, furnishings, height-adjustable table bases, task seating, and related coordination, delivery and installation services, and

WHEREAS, Tech Valley Office Interiors (TVOI), 50 Mohawk Street, Cohoes, NY 12047, acting as the coordinating vendor, has submitted quotations dated June 22, 2026, for said furniture, furnishings and installation services, with pricing set under New York State Contract, and

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County DPW Superintendent recommends authorizing the purchase orders set forth below, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the DPW Superintendent, or designee, to issue the following purchase orders, under New York State Contract, for furniture, furnishings, and delivery/installation services for the Hamilton County Courthouse First Floor Renovations Project:

1. FE Hale Manufacturing Company, c/o Tech Valley Office Interiors,
11206 Cosby Manor Road,
Utica, NY 13502
NYS OGS PC# 70197 Custom Furniture (Break Room, Kitchenette, Workstations,
Printing/Service Counters) — \$82,477.99
2. Human Active Technology, c/o Tech Valley Office Interiors,
100 Kuebler Road,
Easton, PA 18040
NYS OGS PC# 70212 Height Adjustable Table Bases — \$1,407.68
3. Kimball Int'l Brands Inc.,
c/o Tech Valley Office Interiors,
1600 Royal Street, Jasper, IN 47546
NYS OGS PC# 70226 Task Chairs — \$2,632.20
4. Tech Valley Office Interiors,
50 Mohawk Street,
Cohoes, NY 12047

Coordination, Delivery and Installation (allowable per NYS Contract PC# 70197) —
\$28,204.00

for a combined total amount of \$114,721.87, and be it further

RESOLVED, that \$114,721.87 be transferred from the Buildings Reserve Fund to Account No. A1620.0418, Courthouse First Floor Renovation Project, to fund said purchase orders, and the County Treasurer be so authorized, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the DPW Superintendent be hereby authorized to issue and sign said purchase orders, subject to the approval of the County Attorney, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Board and DPW Superintendent be so advised.

Seconded by

RESOLUTION NO.

APPROVAL OF AUDITS IN COUNTY HIGHWAY FUNDS

DATED: AUGUST 6, 2026

BY

RESOLVED, that the bills in the Machinery Fund amounting to \$427,432.76 and bills in the County Road Fund amounting to \$744,608.95 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

RESOLUTION NO.

**APPROVAL OF AUDITS IN THE COUNTY GENERAL FUND AND CAPITAL
PROJECT ELBOW CREEK BRIDGE**

DATED: AUGUST 6, 2026

BY

RESOLVED, that the bills audited this day in the County General Fund in the amount of \$673,848.57 the following committees:

Public Works (Buildings) Committee.....	\$45,666.11
Public Works (Solid Waste).....	54,306.55
Finance Committee	22,489.74
Health Committee.....	25,229.35
Human Services Committee.....	26,273.35
Central Government Committee	42,286.08
Emergency Prep./Emergency Response.....	452,473.01
Internal Management Committee	5,124.38

be it further

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

Elbow Creek Bridge.....	\$ 1,322.05
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are hereby approved.

Seconded by