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January 4, 2017

Stenographer's minutes of the Regular Session of the Clinton County Legislature held Wednesday, December 28, 2016 in the Legislative Chambers, 137 Margaret Street, Plattsburgh, New York.

PRESENT: Jonathan Beach, Area 2  
Simon Conroy, Area 4  
Mark Dame, Area 8  
Samuel Dyer, Area 3  
Robert Hall, Area 10  
Pete Keenan, Area 5  
Harry McManus, Chairperson, Area 1  
Rob Timmons, Area 7  
Patty Waldron, Area 6

EXCUSED: Christopher Rosenquest, Area 9

ALSO PRESENT: Michael Zurlo, County Administrator  
Rodney Brown, Deputy County Administrator  
Christine Peters, Acting County Attorney  
Toni Moffat, Executive Secretary to the County Administrator

Chairperson McManus called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Following the pledge of allegiance to the flag, County Administrator Michael Zurlo conducted roll call. Legislator Rosenquest was excused.

Legislator Waldron motioned to accept the minutes of the December 14, 2016 Regular Session, seconded by Legislator Dyer. Carried (9-0-1).

Mr. Zurlo recognized Christine Peters, the Acting County Attorney.

There being no one who wished to address the Legislature, Chairperson McManus moved on to Committee Reports.

### **Committee Reports**

#### **Buildings and Grounds – Legislator Timmons**

Legislator Timmons reported that Resolution #972 titled, “Awarding the Bid for Arizona Avenue Roof Renovation” was awarded to Murnane Building Contractors, Inc. which was the lowest bid. Legislator Timmons also stated that only the base bid and the Alternate #2 bid were accepted. Alternate #1 bid is not being done at this point. The hope is that the roof guards will suffice for the winter.

#### **Personnel – Legislator Dyer**

Mr. Zurlo reported on the Personnel Committee poll of December 27, 2016. He stated that these are two part-time dispatcher positions for the Emergency Services Department. Both positions fell within the criteria designated by the Finance Committee: 1) revenue producing positions; 2) necessary for public safety; and 3) 100 percent grant-funded positions.

#### **Plattsburgh International Airport – Legislator Hall**

Legislator Hall reported the Plattsburgh International Airport Committee met earlier. There were 10 items on the agenda. Resolution #984 was withdrawn. The Committee would like to advertise for local contractors. Resolutions #979 through #983 and #985 through #989 were approved.

### **Liaison Reports**

#### **Clinton Community College – Legislators Dame and Rosenquest**

Legislator Dame reported Ray DiPasquale, the new President at Clinton Community College will begin employment the first of the year.

#### **Cooperative Extension – Legislator Timmons**

Legislator Timmons reported the Cooperative Extension meeting was cancelled.

#### **Intercounty – Legislator Waldron**

Mr. Zurlo reported that Gerry Delaney, the Legislative appointee of the Adirondack Local Government Review Board, wrote an article outlining the Boreas Property issue. Mr. Zurlo also stated the Clinton County Legislature passed a resolution, as well as, the Intercounty of the Adirondacks

supporting the wishes of those five affected counties. Chairperson McManus reported he signed a document which will go to the State, with twelve separate Chairpersons agreeing with the concept that was previously voted on.

### **Lake Champlain/Lake George (LC/LG) Regional Planning Board – Legislator Keenan**

Legislator Keenan reported he attended the LC/LG Regional Planning Board Committee meeting last Wednesday, December 21. He received a report of several Grants that have been issued through the Lake Champlain/Lake George Commission. The Northern Border Grants were mentioned with eight being issued this past year and six the year before. The majority of the Grants were for water projects, some close to our region such as Tupper Lake, Elizabethtown, Potsdam and the Northern Border Regional (which involves Vermont and New York).

Chairperson McManus reminded everyone that the Organizational Meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 5:15 p.m.

### **Staff Reports**

Chairman McManus requested an Executive Session to discuss the Turtle Island Trust litigation. Mr. Hall stated he will be calling a Caucus of the Democratic Legislators at the conclusion of the meeting.

There being no further business, Chairperson McManus moved on to resolutions. The following resolutions were approved unless otherwise noted.

Resolutions #968 and #969 were approved.

Resolution #970 titled, “A Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of \$500,000 Serial Bonds of the County of Clinton, New York, to Pay the Cost of the Reconstruction of County-Owned Buildings In and For Said County”

Discussion: Mr. Zurlo reported that this is the Annual Master Plan of borrowing through the Buildings and Grounds Committee. Carried (9-0-1).

Resolutions #971 through #983 were approved.

Resolution #984 titled, “Authorizing Contract with AFSCO Fence company, Inc. – Plattsburgh International Airport” has been withdrawn.

Resolutions #985 through #996 were approved.

Resolution #997 titled, “Authorizing the County Treasurer to Increase Appropriation and Corresponding Revenue for Clerk – County Legislature Budget - Legislature”

Discussion: Mr. Zurlo reported this resolution funds the Economic Development Directors’ position for the one month in 2016 from the same source as previously outlined to the Legislature.

Resolutions #998 through #1002 were approved.

Legislator Dyer motioned to Waive Rule 13.2, seconded by Legislator Beach. (Carried 9-0-1).

Resolutions #1003 through #1007 were approved.

Chairperson McManus asked if there was anything further to come before the Legislature.

Chairperson McManus entertained a motion from Legislator Dyer to enter into Executive Session at 7:21 p.m. to discuss the above-mentioned matter, seconded by Legislator Keenan. Carried (9-0-1).

Legislator Hall motioned to exit Executive Session and return to Regular Session at 7:32 p.m., seconded by Legislator Dame. Carried (9-0-1).

There being no further business, Legislator Hall motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:33 p.m., seconded by Legislator Keenan. Carried (9-0-1).

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Toni Moffat".

Toni Moffat  
Executive Secretary to the County Administrator