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June 29, 2023

Stenographer's minutes of the Regular Session of the Clinton County Legislature held Wednesday, June 28, 2023 in the Legislative Chambers, 137 Margaret Street, Plattsburgh, New York.

PRESENT: David Bezio, Area 4
Calvin Castine, Area 1
Mark Henry, Chairperson, Area 3
Robert Hall, Area 10
Wendell Hughes, Area 8
Joshua Kretser, Area 9
Francis Peryea, Area 2
Richard Potiker, Area 5
Rob Timmons, Area 7
Patty Waldron, Area 6

ALSO PRESENT: Kim Kinblom, Deputy County Administrator
Jacqueline Kelleher, County Attorney

Chairperson Henry called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

Kim Kinblom, the Deputy County Administrator, conducted roll call.

Legislator Hall motioned to accept the minutes of the June 14, 2023 Regular Session, seconded by Legislator Bezio. Carried (10-0-0).

Chairperson Henry asked if anyone wished to address the Legislature.

There being no one else to address the Legislature, Chairperson Henry moved on to Committee Reports.

Buildings and Grounds Committee – Legislator Bezio

Legislator Bezio reported as part of a joint meeting, the Buildings and Grounds and Plattsburgh International Airport Committees met earlier to discuss the building and mechanical improvements at the Airport. The Committees agreed upon a decision.

The next Buildings and Grounds Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Monday, July 10th at 4:00 p.m.

Children and Family Services Committee – Legislator Potiker

Legislator Potiker reported the Children and Family Services Committee has not met since the last Regular Session.

The next Children and Family Services Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, July 11th at 5:15 p.m.

Economic Development and County Operations Committee – Legislator Waldron

Legislator Waldron reported the Economic Development and County Operations Committee has not met since the last Regular Session.

The next Economic Development and County Operations Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, July 12th at 4:00 p.m.

Finance Committee – Legislator Timmons

Legislator Timmons reported the Finance Committee has not met since the last Regular Session.

Resolutions #470 and #471 have been polled and placed on the agenda as a result of the Committee's recommendation.

The next Finance Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, July 18th at 5:15 p.m.

Health Committee – Legislator Hughes

Legislator Hughes reported the Health Committee has not met since the last Regular Session.

The next Health Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, July 18th at 4:00 p.m.

Human Services Committee – Legislator Peryea

Legislator Peryea reported the Human Services Committee has not met since the last Regular Session.

The next Human Services Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, July 11th at 4:15 p.m.

Personnel Committee – Legislator Henry

Legislator Henry reported the Personnel Committee has not met since the last Regular Session.

The next Personnel Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Monday, July 17th at 5:00 p.m.

Plattsburgh International Airport Committee – Legislator Hall

Legislator Hall reported the Plattsburgh International Airport Committee met earlier this evening.

In addition to the discussion outlined by Legislator Bezio, the Committee discussed the Resolutions, “Awarding Bid for Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting (ARFF) Vehicle and Additional Equipment” and “Authorizing Rehabilitation of Taxiway A Pavement and General Aviation (GA) Apron Phase I (Construction) Project Grant Amendment No. 1.”

Resolutions #472 through #478 have been placed on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee.

The next Plattsburgh International Airport Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, July 19th at 4:00 p.m.

Public Safety Committee – Legislator Castine

Legislator Castine reported the Public Safety Committee has not met since the last Regular Session.

Resolutions #479 and #480 have been polled and placed on the agenda as a result of the Committee’s recommendation.

The next Public Safety Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Monday, July 17th at 4:00 p.m.

Transportation Committee – Legislator Kretser

Legislator Kretser reported the Transportation Committee has not met since the last Regular Session.

Resolution #481 has been polled and placed on the agenda as a result of the Committee’s recommendation.

The next Transportation Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Monday, July 10th at 5:15 p.m.

LIAISON REPORTS

Board of Health – Legislator Potiker

Legislator Potiker reported the next Board of Health meeting is scheduled for Monday, July 10th at 7:00 p.m. He noted the meeting is open to the public and all are welcome to attend.

Clinton Community College – Legislator Bezio

Legislator Bezio reported the Clinton Community College Board of Trustees met on Tuesday, June 27th. The first topic of discussion was the 2023-2024 proposed budget and then they held their Regular Session meeting where the budget was approved and moved to the Clinton County Finance Committee for consideration on Wednesday, August 2nd at 5:15 p.m.

Cooperative Extension – Legislator Timmons

Legislator Timmons reported the Committee met on Tuesday, June 20th and extended their gratitude to the Legislature for the Tobacco Settlement Award they received towards their media room. The Committee is currently preparing for the Clinton County Fair and the Department has also begun their contract with the Department of Social Services and have had teens sign up for services. He noted all is going well with that program so far.

Intercounty of the Adirondacks – Legislator Waldron

Legislator Waldron reported the Intercounty of the Adirondacks Committee meeting scheduled for Thursday, June 29th has been cancelled.

Lake George/Lake Champlain Regional Planning Board – Legislator Kretser

Legislator Kretser reported the next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July 11th.

Soil and Water – Legislator Timmons

Legislator Timmons reported they have just invested in a tractor to be attached to the interseeder they bought last year. The intent is for farmers to rent the tractor (which has the interseeder attached to it) to plant a second crop in an existing (crop) field which will help to prevent soil erosion.

STAFF REPORTS

County Attorney – Jacqueline Kelleher, Esq.

Ms. Kelleher requested an Executive Session to discuss pending litigation. She stated at the last Regular Session, the Legislature had a request from the Clinton County Historical Society that a painting that was in their custody, that was loaned to them by the County, be donated to them. She researched the Clinton County Law regarding this matter and also spoke with the Clinton County Purchasing Agent. She concluded that an object that is no longer beneficial to the County can be donated to any not-for-profit agency in the County and it does not require a resolution.

Deputy County Administrator – Kim Kinblom

Ms. Kinblom did not have a report.

Chairpersons Report

The Chairperson did not have a report.

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

Resolutions #470 through #481 were approved.

Resolution #482 titled, "Authorizing the County Treasurer to Adjust Appropriation and Corresponding Revenue for the Dislocated Worker and Adult Activities Grants – Employment and Training" was motioned by Legislator Timmons and seconded by Legislator Peryea. Carried (9-0-0-1).

Discussion: Legislator Kretser abstained.

Resolutions #483 through #488 were approved.

Legislator Hughes motioned to Waive Rule 13.2, seconded by Legislator Bezio. Carried (10-0-0).

Resolution #489 was approved.

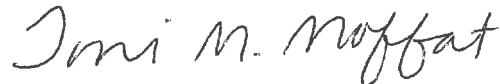
Legislator Castine acknowledged Amtrak's decision to discontinue service from Albany, New York to Montreal, Canada reporting the problem is apparently from the Canadian-side regarding the trains can only travel 10 miles per hour due to the condition of their rails. He suggested approaching Amtrak to continue service from Albany, New York to the Plattsburgh, New York location. Legislator Hall agreed with Legislator Castine's suggestion. Chairperson Henry stated it will be looked into and he will report back to the Committee.

Legislator Kretser motioned to enter into Executive Session at 5:31 p.m., seconded by Legislator Hughes. Carried (10-0-0).

Legislator Hall motioned to exit Executive Session at 5:33 p.m., seconded by Legislator Waldron. Carried (10-0-0).

There being no further business to come before the Legislature, Legislator Waldron motioned to adjourn the meeting at 5:33 p.m., seconded by Legislator Hall. Carried (10-0-0).

Respectfully submitted,



Toni Moffat
Executive Secretary to the County Administrator

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