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June 1, 2018

Stenographer's minutes of the Regular Session of the Clinton County Legislature held
Wednesday, May 23, 2018 in the Legislative Chambers, 137 Margaret Street, Plattsburgh, New York.

PRESENT: Jonathan Beach, Area 2
Simon Conroy, Area 4
Mark Dame, Area 8
Robert Hall, Area 10
Mark Henry, Area 3
Pete Keenan, Area 5
Harry McManus, Chairperson, Area 1
Christopher Rosenquest, Area 9
Rob Timmons, Area 7
Patty Waldron, Area 6

ALSO PRESENT: Michael E. Zurlo, County Administrator
Rodney Brown, Deputy County Administrator
James Coffey, Esq., County Attorney
Jeanene Bell, Senior Stenographer

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

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

Legislator Hall motioned to accept the minutes of the May 9, 2018 Regular Session, seconded by Legislator Keenan. Carried (10-0-0).

Chairperson McManus asked if anyone wished to address the Legislature.

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 stated the next Buildings and Grounds Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 13th at 5:15 p.m.

Children and Family Services – Legislator Henry

Legislator Henry stated the next Children and Family Services Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 5th at 6:15 p.m.

Economic Development and County Operations – Legislator Conroy

Legislator Conroy stated he would like to reschedule the next Economic Development and County Operations Committee meeting to Tuesday, June 12th at 5:15 p.m. He advised that he would follow up on this request.

Finance – Legislator Rosenquest

Legislator Rosenquest stated the next Finance Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 6th at 6:15 p.m.

Health – Legislator Waldron

Legislator Waldron stated the next Health Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 5th at 5:15 p.m.

Human Services – Legislator Keenan

Legislator Keenan stated Resolution #424 included on the agenda requests the New York State Legislature support an act to amend the Executive Law in relation to the cost of maintenance and operation of Veterans' Services Agencies.

The next Human Services Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 6th at 5:15 p.m.

Personnel – Legislator Dame

Legislator Dame stated Resolution #394 has been placed on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Personnel Committee at its May 7th meeting. The Committee was also polled on Resolution #426 which has been placed on the agenda under Waive Rule 13.2.

The next Personnel Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 4th at 5:15 p.m.

Plattsburgh International Airport – Legislator Hall

Legislator Hall stated the Plattsburgh International Airport Committee met earlier. There was discussion on the 2018 New York State Department of Transportation Aviation Grant Program Solicitation. There was also discussion on the contract with Tailwind for providing concession and dining at the Terminal Building, as well as making an exception to the County’s policy to allow Tailwind to serve alcohol at their restaurant in the Terminal. Resolutions #395 through #398 have been placed on the agenda as a result of the Committee’s recommendation, and Resolutions #427 and #428 are included under Waive Rule 13.2.

The next Plattsburgh International Airport Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 27th at 5:15 p.m.

Public Safety – Legislator Beach

Legislator Beach stated the Public Safety Committee was polled on Resolutions #399 through #409.

The next Public Safety Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 11th at 6:15 p.m.

Transportation – Legislator Timmons

Legislator Timmons stated the Transportation Committee met Monday, May 14th. An update on the implementation of the Deviation Service was provided. Resolution #410 has been polled and placed on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee.

The next Transportation Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 11th at 5:15 p.m.

Liaison Reports

Board of Health – Legislator Beach

Legislator Beach reported the Board of Health met Monday, May 21st. There was discussion on Quality Assurance and goals.

Clinton Community College – Legislator Dame

Legislator Dame stated the Clinton Community College commencement went very well.

Community Services Board – Legislator Conroy

Legislator Conroy stated he will be sending an email to the Legislature in regards to the upcoming annual meeting of the Community Services Board. He stated there has been focus on housing for low-income individuals and for those with addictions.

Cooperative Extension – Legislator Timmons

Legislator Timmons stated he will provide further information at the June 27th Regular Session in regards to Cooperative Extension wanting Legislators to judge some projects at the Clinton County Fair.

Intercounty Legislative Committee of the Adirondacks – Legislator Waldron

Legislator Waldron stated the Thursday, May 24th Intercounty Legislative Committee of the Adirondacks meeting was cancelled because of low attendance due to the Memorial Day holiday.

Lake Champlain/Lake George Regional Planning Board – Legislator Keenan

Legislator Keenan stated the Lake Champlain/Lake George Regional Planning Board is undergoing an audit by the New York State Comptroller's Office.

Soil and Water – Legislator Timmons

Legislator Timmons stated tire recycling is scheduled for Saturday, June 9th in Beekmantown and Saturday, June 23rd in Black Brook. The next Soil and Water meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 21st.

Staff Reports

County Attorney James Coffey requested an executive session to discuss contract negotiations with Correction Officers on the Taylor Law, the work history of a current and former employee in Clinton County, Murnane Building Contractors, Inc. and claims involving work performed at the Plattsburgh International Airport and Volo Aviation involving an issue with regards to the Fixed Base Operation.

Mr. Zurlo reminded Legislators who have not yet turned in their 2018 Ethics Disclosures to please do so.

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

Resolutions #394 and #395 were approved.

Resolution #396 titled, "Authorizing Lease Agreement with Tailwind MC, LLC – Plattsburgh International Airport" was motioned by Legislator Hall, seconded by Legislator Keenan.

Discussion: Legislator Rosenquest stated he is concerned about the flat rate for utilities for the County-owned building. He voted no on the resolution.

Legislator Conroy stated he feels the flat rate for utilities is fine. He stated the number of enplanements are about to increase from 150,000 to 200,000 enplanements.

Legislator Hall voted no on the resolution. He does not agree with providing Tailwind MC, LLC with free rent if enplanements reduce to 100,000 per year and the flat rate for utilities. Although he is very pleased that Tailwind MC, LLC chose to come to the Airport, he also stated the County built the restaurant at the Airport. Even though the resolution did come out of Committee, it did not come out with a vote of 5-0-0.

Mr. Zurlo stated the negotiations of the lease terms are not always approved in the resolutions. He stated it was during the negotiation of the contract that the issue of the utilities arised.

Legislator Timmons asked if utility usage by Tailwind MC, LLC could be determined. Mr. Brown replied that could not be determined. Legislator Timmons asked who determines the amount of insurance required for alcohol at the restaurant. Mr. Zurlo replied Tailwind MC, LLC is required to comply with the County's insurance requirements.

Legislator Dame stated it is critical for the County to move forward with this contract. The lease terms are already favorable and, in the unlikely event that the enplanements decrease to 100,000, we would continue to provide this service.

Legislator Waldron stated the restaurant should be allowed time to get established.

Carried (8-0-2). Legislators Hall and Rosenquest voted no.

Resolutions #397 through #422 were approved.

Resolution #423 titled, "Approving Reappointment of Gregory B. Campbell as Board of Elections Commissioner – Board of Elections" was motioned by Legislator Beach, seconded by Legislator Waldron.

Discussion: Legislator Conroy stated Board of Elections Commissioner Gregory Campbell was very helpful to him during his campaign. Carried (10-0-0).

Resolution #424 titled, "Requesting New York State Legislature Support an Act to Amend the Executive Law in Relation to the Cost of Maintenance and Operation of Veterans' Service Agencies – Veterans' Service Agency" was moved by Legislator Keenan, seconded by Legislator Conroy.

Discussion: Mr. Zurlo stated the resolution is being passed by most counties in New York State and is supported by Veterans' Associations. This is an opportunity to increase State funding for Veterans' Service Agencies. Carried (10-0-0).

Resolution #425 was approved.

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

Resolutions #426 through #428 were approved.

Legislator Dame asked if there is a State mandate to increase assessments. Mr. Zurlo replied no.

Legislator Dame motioned to enter Executive Session at 7:34 p.m., seconded by Legislator Waldron. Carried (10-0-0).

Legislator Henry motioned to exit Executive Session at 8:50 p.m., seconded by Legislator Rosenquest. Carried (10-0-0).

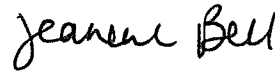
Resolution #429 titled, “Amending Resolution #363 dated May 9, 2018 titled, “Awarding Request for Proposals (RFPs) for Fixed Base Operator (FBO) Services – Plattsburgh International Airport” was moved by Legislator Hall, seconded by Legislator Timmons.

Discussion: Mr. Zurlo stated this resolution adds a year to the contract authorized by Resolution #363 thereby making the contract with Eagle Aviation Services to two years.

A full roll call was taken. The resolution passed by a vote of 6-4-0 with Legislators McManus, Conroy, Waldron and Rosenquest recorded in the negative.

There being no further business, Legislator Rosenquest motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:03 p.m., seconded by Legislator Beach. Carried (10-0-0).

Respectfully submitted,



Jeanene Bell
Senior Stenographer