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October 2, 2016

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

PRESENT: Mark Dame, Area 8
Samuel Dyer, Area 3
Robert Hall, Area 10
Pete Keenan, Area 5
Harry McManus, Chairperson, Area 1
Christopher Rosenquest, Area 9
Sara Rowden, Area 4
Rob Timmons, Area 7
Patty Waldron, Area 6

EXCUSED: Jonathan Beach, Area 2

ALSO PRESENT: Michael 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 7:03 p.m.

Following the pledge of allegiance to the flag, County Administrator Michael Zurlo conducted roll call. Legislator Beach asked to be excused.

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

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 the Buildings and Grounds Committee was polled on Resolutions #682 and #683.

The next Buildings and Grounds Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 12th at 5:15 p.m.

Children and Family Services – Legislator Waldron

Legislator Waldron reported the next Children and Family Services Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Thursday, October 6th at 5:15 p.m.

County Operations – Legislator Rowden

Legislator Rowden reported the next County Operations Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 12th at 6:00 p.m.

Economic Development Ad Hoc – Legislator Rosenquest

Legislator Rosenquest reported the next Economic Development Ad Hoc Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, October 11th at 5:15 p.m. He reported the meeting is rescheduled after the Wednesday, October 5th Finance Committee meeting to approve the Tobacco Settlement Funding requests.

Finance – Legislator Dame

Legislator Dame reported the next Finance Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 5th at 5:15 p.m. at which time preliminary consideration will be given to Tobacco Settlement Funding requests. Chairperson McManus reported Legislators are encouraged to attend the Economic Development Ad Hoc Committee meeting should the Tobacco Settlement Funding requests be from their legislative areas.

Human Services – Legislator Keenan

Legislator Keenan reported the next Human Services Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 5th following the Finance Committee meeting.

Personnel – Legislator Dyer

Legislator Dyer reported the next Personnel Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 3rd at 5:15 p.m.

Plattsburgh International Airport – Legislator Hall

Legislator Hall reported the Plattsburgh International Airport Committee met earlier. McFarland-Johnson, Inc. was present to discuss the Terminal Building Expansion and the Federal Inspection Station Projects, and the Airport Manager provided information on possible digital advertising at the Airport and proposed rehabilitation of Building 2774 for tenant use. Resolutions #684 through #692 have been placed on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee.

Legislator Hall reported the Terminal Building Expansion Project will be finished by the end of 2016.

The next Plattsburgh International Airport Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 26th at 5:15 p.m.

Transportation Committee – Legislator Timmons

Legislator Timmons reported the next Transportation Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Thursday, October 6th at 6:15 p.m.

Liaison Reports

Clinton Community College – Legislators Dame and Rosenquest

Legislator Dame reported Clinton Community College has selected three potential Presidential candidates for the College. The Board of Trustees will make the selection on Monday, October 3rd.

Mr. Zurlo reported Lisa Shovan, the Officer-in-Charge at the College, will be attending the October 5th Finance Committee meeting to discuss the George Moore Administrative and Academic Building.

Chairperson McManus complimented the Board of Trustees on sharing the costs with the County in regards to the Presidential search.

Community Services – Legislator Rowden

Legislator Rowden reported the Community Services Board met Tuesday, September 27th. She reported there have been no applicants for the Director of Community Services. The position has been widely advertised. The search began in July, 2016.

Legislator Rowden thanked those who were able to attend the Substance Abuse Community Coalition on Tuesday, September 20th at the Strand Theater. She reported there will be another presentation in the spring called “Chasing the Dragon” with a panel discussion to follow.

Legislator Rowden reported clients are utilizing the Clinton County Public Transit (CCPT) buses to get to their appointments at the new location for Mental Health and Addiction Services at 130 Arizona Avenue, Plattsburgh.

Intercounty – Legislator Waldron

Legislator Waldron reported she attended a joint Intercounty Legislative Committee meeting on Monday, September 12th in Niagara Falls, New York. Kelly Tyler, the Director of the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority, provided information on how to obtain grant funding from the Governor’s Office using green incentives (i.e., solar panels, green fleets and LED lighting).

Legislator Waldron reported the next Intercounty Legislative Committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 27th from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. in Clinton County. The location is unknown at this time.

LC/LG Regional Planning Board – Legislator Keenan

Legislator Keenan reported he will be attending a meeting of the LC/LG Regional Planning Board in November, 2016.

Soil and Water – Legislators Dyer and Timmons

Legislator Timmons reported Soil and Water met last week. He reported financial information was discussed and proved to be very strong. Legislator Timmons distributed “Municipal Assistance Projects Summer of 2016” to the Legislature which shows projects that were completed throughout the County. A number of projects were done for Highway Departments such as hydroseeding. Legislator Timmons reported Highway Superintendents should contact Soil and Water should they require assistance in these areas next year.

Workforce Development Board – Legislator Rosenquest

Legislator Rosenquest reported the next Workforce Development Board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 11th.

Staff Reports

County Attorney James Coffey requested an Executive Session to discuss Champlain Centre North, LLC vs. the Town of Plattsburgh and litigation involving Paul Rissetto.

Mr. Zurlo reported the Friday mailing of September 30th will be mailed through the U.S. Postal Service due to large documents for Tobacco Settlement Funding requests. He asked Legislators to contact the Legislative Office if you prefer to pick up your packet.

Mr. Zurlo reported Legislators have received an invitation from the Governor’s Office to attend a conference titled, “Sustainable Development and Collaborative Governance.” The conference will take place on Thursday, October 6th from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Lake Placid Conference Center. Please RSVP to the Governor’s Office by Tuesday, October 4th. Mr. Zurlo reported he has additional invitations if copies are needed.

Legislator Hall reported on the Norsk Titanium Welcoming Luncheon scheduled for Monday, October 24th from 12 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Westside Ballroom. Mr. Zurlo reported he will reserve a table for the Legislature.

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

Resolutions #682 through #704 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 7:28 p.m. to discuss Champlain Centre North, LLC vs. the Town of Plattsburgh and litigation involving Paul Rissetto, seconded by Legislator Waldron. (Carried 9-0-1).

Legislator Dame motioned to exit Executive Session and return to Regular Session at 9:16 p.m., seconded by Legislator Rosenquest. (Carried 9-0-1).

There being no further business, Legislator Rosenquest motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:17 p.m., seconded by Legislator Hall. (Carried 9-0-1).

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jeanene Bell".

Jeanene Bell
Senior Stenographer