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May 10, 2012

Stenographer's minutes of the Regular Session of the Clinton County Legislature held Wednesday, May 9, 2012 in the Legislative Chambers, 137 Margaret Street, Plattsburgh, New York.

PRESENT: Jonathan Beach, Area 2
Robert Butler, Area 6
Mark Dame, Area 8
Samuel Dyer, Area 3
John Gallagher, Area 9
Robert Heins, Area 10
Pete Keenan, Area 5
James Langley, Jr., Chairperson, Area 7
Harry McManus, Area 1
Sara Rowden, Area 4

ALSO PRESENT: Michael E. Zurlo, County Administrator
Rodney Brown, Deputy County Administrator
William Favreau, County Attorney
Jeanene Bell, Senior Stenographer

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

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

Legislator Beach offered a motion to accept the minutes of the April 25, 2012 Regular Session, seconded by Legislator Dame. (Carried 10-0-0).

Chairperson Langley invited Legislator Dyer to present a plaque to Darryl Menard congratulating him on being named "Firefighter of the Year."

Chairperson Langley asked if anyone wished to address the Legislature. There being no one to address the Legislature, Chairperson Langley called for standing committee and liaison reports.

Committee Reports

Buildings and Grounds – Legislator Dyer

Legislator Dyer reported the Buildings and Grounds Committee meeting scheduled for Thursday, May 10th has been cancelled due to lack of agenda items. He reported the Nursing Home Sprinkler Project is complete, and the punch list is done. Equipment for the radio update with the new frequency is being updated. The County Clerk's Office is being patched and repainted.

Children and Family Services – Legislator Heins

Legislator Heins reported that he and six legislators attended the Foster Care Dinner on Thursday, May 3rd. He reported this was an exceptional event, and he was proud to be in attendance.

County Operations – Legislator Dame

Legislator Dame reported Resolutions #334 and #335 have been placed on the agenda as a result of the Committee's recommendation.

Legislator Dame reported the next County Operations Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 5th at 6:15 p.m.

Finance – Legislator Rowden

Legislator Rowden reported the Finance Committee met earlier this evening. Sales tax revenue is higher than projected. There was discussion regarding Fund Balance as a result of the 2011 final closeout. The Plattsburgh International Airport had a reduction in the amount of money coming from the General Fund to support the Airport.

Legislator Rowden reported Resolutions #336 through #339 have been placed on the agenda as a result of the Committee's recommendation.

Legislator Rowden reported the next Finance Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 13th at 5:15 p.m.

Health Committee – Legislator Beach

Legislator Beach reported the Health Committee met Monday, May 7th at 5:15 p.m. Sherrie Gillette, Director of Community Services, discussed her search for a psychiatrist for the Mental Health Clinic.

Legislator Beach reported John Kanoza, Director/Engineer of Environmental Health and Safety Division, requested approval from the Committee to reinstate rabies on-call coverage for weekends and holidays for the period May 25 through October 1, 2012. There have been three cases of rabies reported this year; there were zero cases reported last year. This item was forwarded to the Personnel Committee.

Legislator Beach reported on the salt water issue in the Town of Dannemora. He and Town officials are awaiting information from the New York State Department of Transportation and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation regarding a remedy to this issue.

Resolutions #340 through #344 have been placed on the agenda as a result of the Committee's recommendation.

Legislator Beach reported the next Health Committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 7th at 5:15 p.m.

Human Services – Legislator Keenan

Legislator Keenan reported the Human Services Committee meeting scheduled for Tuesday, May 1st was cancelled due to lack of agenda items. Resolutions #345 through #347 have been placed on the agenda as a result of the Committee's recommendation.

Legislator Keenan reported the next Human Services Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 5th at 5:15 p.m.

Personnel Committee – Legislator Gallagher

Legislator Gallagher reported the Personnel Committee has a new bi-monthly schedule for its meetings. Resolutions #348 through #351 and Resolution #365 have been placed on the agenda as a result of the Committee's recommendation.

Legislator Gallagher reported the next Personnel Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 4th at 5:15 p.m.

Plattsburgh International Airport – Legislator Heins

Legislator Heins reported the next Plattsburgh International Airport Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 23rd at 5:15 p.m. Parking scenarios and funding for the Terminal Building Expansion Project will be discussed.

Transportation – Legislator McManus

Legislator McManus reported that next Transportation Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 14th at 5:15 p.m.

Liaison Reports

Clinton Community College – Legislator Dame

Legislator Dame reported Clinton Community College's graduation is scheduled for Friday, May 18th. Resolutions #337 and #338 have been placed on the agenda as a result of the Finance Committee's recommendation.

InterCounty – Legislator Dame

Legislator Dame reported the next InterCounty Legislative Committee of the Adirondacks meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 17th in Fulton County.

Soil and Water – Legislator Dyer

Legislator Dyer reported Soil and Water Conservation has completed its interview process for the position of District Manager. The position has been offered to an applicant, and Soil and Water is awaiting a response. Legislator Rowden reported there were three applicants who had college degrees with environmental-based information and agricultural experience.

Grievance – Legislator Gallagher

Legislator Gallagher reported he is coordinating a date and time in which the Grievance Committee can meet on an issue.

Workforce Investment Board – Legislator Langley

Legislator Gallagher thanked Legislator Langley for volunteering to be on the Workforce Investment Board. Legislator Gallagher reported he is working with the Youth Board to conduct meetings by Skype.

Staff Reports

County Attorney William Favreau requested an Executive Session to discuss pending litigation.

Mr. Zurlo requested an Executive Session to discuss the sale and lease of real property and a matter of collective negotiation.

There being no further business, Chairperson Langley moved onto resolutions. The following resolutions were approved unless otherwise noted.

Resolutions #334 through #347 were approved.

Resolution #348 titled, "Approving Creation of Temporary, Full-Time Bridge Inspector – Highway Department"

Discussion: Mr. Dame asked what the County's role is with Lake Champlain Transportation Company improvements. Mr. Zurlo replied the County is the eligible entity which Federal money can flow through for ferry projects. (Carried 10-0-0).

Resolution #349 was approved.

Resolution #350 titled, "Approving Backfill of Permanent, Full-Time Deputy Election Commissioner – Board of Elections"

Discussion: Legislator Dyer abstained from this vote. (Carried 9-0-0-1).

Resolutions #351 through #364 were approved.

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

Resolutions #365 and #366 were approved.

Legislator Gallagher motioned to enter Executive Session at 7:29 p.m., seconded by Legislator Butler. (Carried 10-0-0).

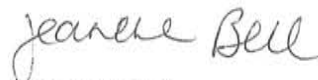
Resolution #367 was approved.

Legislator Gallagher motioned to exit Executive Session at 8:17 p.m., seconded by Legislator Dyer. (Carried 10-0-0).

Chairperson Langley asked if there was any further business to come before the Board.

There being no further business, Chairperson Langley entertained a motion from Legislator Gallagher to adjourn Regular Session at 8:18 p.m., seconded by Legislator Heins. Carried (10-0-0).

Respectfully submitted,



Jeanene Bell
Senior Stenographer