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June 9, 2022

Stenographer's minutes of the Regular Session of the Clinton County Legislature held
Wednesday, June 8, 2022 in the Legislative Chambers, 137 Margaret Street, Plattsburgh, New York.

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

EXCUSED: Francis Peryea, Area 2

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

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

Michael Zurlo, the County Administrator, conducted roll call. Legislator Peryea asked to be excused.

Legislator Hall motioned to accept the minutes of the May 25, 2022 Regular Session, seconded by Legislator Kretser. Carried (9-0-1).

Chairperson Henry asked if anyone wished to address the Legislature.

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

Buildings and Grounds Committee – Legislator Bezio

Legislator Bezio reported the Buildings and Grounds Committee has not met since the last Regular Session.

The next Buildings and Grounds Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Monday, June 13th at 4:30 p.m.

Children and Family Services Committee – Legislator Potiker

Legislator Potiker reported the Children and Family Services Committee met on Tuesday, June 7th.

John Redden, the Commissioner of the Department of Social Services, was present to discuss several resolutions including “Authorizing Contract Amendment with Hyland Software, Inc.” and “Amending Resolution #913 dated December 8, 2021 titled, “Authorizing Various Contracts for the Year 2022.”

Resolutions #383 through #392 have been placed on the agenda as a result of the Committee’s recommendation.

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

Economic Development and County Operations Committee – Legislator Waldron

Legislator Waldron reported the Economic Development and County Operations Committee met earlier.

Glen Cutter, the Planning Director, was present to discuss several topics including the Floodplain Appeal, the Hazard Mitigation Grant Submittal and the Vaccination Trailer Status.

Molly Ryan, the Director of Economic Development, was present to discuss an Airport Development Update.

The next Economic Development and County Operations Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, July 13th at 4:00 p.m.

Mr. Zurlo reported there was another resolution under Waive Rule 13.2 regarding the energy efficiency program. The subcommittee of Legislators Bezio and Timmons have reviewed the two proposals and recommended a company to the Economic Development and County Operations Committee and now to the full Board.

Finance Committee – Legislator Timmons

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

The Committee was polled on Resolution #393 on the agenda.

The next Finance Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, June 15th at 5:15 p.m.

Mr. Zurlo reminded the Legislature that the Finance Committee meeting has been moved to June 15th to accommodate for the In-Rem Foreclosure Auction results.

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 Wednesday, June 15th at 4:15 p.m.

Human Services Committee – County Administrator Michael Zurlo

On behalf of Legislator Peryea, Mr. Zurlo reported the Human Services Committee met on Tuesday, June 7th.

Jody Mercaldi, the Administrative Assistant for the Office for the Aging, was present to discuss two resolutions titled, “Authorizing Contract Amendment with Joint Council for Economic Opportunity (JCEO)” and “Authorizing Payment of Membership Dues.”

Kevin LeBoeuf, the Director of the Veteran’s Service Agency, was present to discuss monthly statistics and the Dwyer Grant Funding Peer-to-Peer Programs.

Resolutions #394 and #395 have been placed on the agenda as a result of the Committee’s recommendation.

The next Human Services Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, July 5th at 4:15 p.m.

Personnel Committee – Legislator Henry

Legislator Henry reported the Personnel Committee met on Monday, June 6th.

Resolutions will be placed on the agenda for the Wednesday, June 22nd Regular Session agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee.

The next Personnel Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Thursday, July 7th at 5:00 p.m.

Plattsburgh International Airport Committee – Legislator Hall

Legislator Hall reported the Plattsburgh International Airport Committee has not met since the last Regular Session.

The next Plattsburgh International Airport Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, June 22nd at 4:00 p.m.

Public Safety Committee – Legislator Castine

Legislator Castine reported the Public Safety Committee met on Monday, June 6th.

Jami Rock, the Administrative Assistant at the Child Advocacy Center (CAC), was present to discuss several resolutions including “Authorizing Contract Amendment with SymQuest Group, Inc.” and “Authorizing Contract with New York State Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS) Grant Acceptance.”

Eric Day, the Director of Emergency Services, was also present to discuss resolutions “Authorizing Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) Application and Acceptance for Federal Fiscal Year 2022” and “Authorizing FY2022 State Homeland Security Program Grant Application and Acceptance.”

Sheriff Favro was also present to discuss resolutions titled, “Authorizing Contract with Various School Districts” and “Authorizing Operation Stonegarden Grant Application and Acceptance.”

Resolutions #396 through #404 have been placed on the agenda as a result of the Committee’s recommendation.

The next Public Safety Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Thursday, July 7th at 4:00 p.m.

Transportation Committee – Legislator Kretser

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

The next Transportation Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Monday, June 13th at 5:15 p.m.

LIAISON REPORTS

Board of Health – Legislator Potiker

Legislator Potiker reported the Board of Health is scheduled to meet on Monday, June 20th at 7:00 p.m.

Chamber of Commerce – Legislator Potiker

Legislator Potiker reported he attended the Strategic Tourism Planning Committee meeting on Friday, June 3rd and was updated on marketing efforts by the Chamber of Commerce.

Clinton Community College – Legislator Bezio

Legislator Bezio reported the luncheon at Clinton Community College will be held on Wednesday, July 13th at 11:00 a.m. There will be a tour of the new buildings and conversation with the President John Kowal and other staff.

Soil and Water – Legislator Timmons

Mr. Timmons reported the first tire-recycling day will be held tomorrow, Thursday, June 9th at the Plattsburgh Highway Department from 1-4 p.m. The next recycling will be held on Thursday, June 23rd at the Chazy Highway Department from 1-4 p.m. Anyone in Clinton County can go to either of these locations, and are asked to call the Soil and Water Office to pre-register. Mr. Timmons reported individuals may bring up to ten, regular vehicle tires.

STAFF REPORTS

County Attorney – Jacqueline Kelleher, Esq.

Ms. Kelleher requested an executive session to discuss contractual matters.

County Administrator – Michael Zurlo

Mr. Zurlo reported the State Legislative Session has concluded and the New York State Association of Counties (NYSAC) will be releasing a summary of the session. Mr. Zurlo reported one issue he has spoken about previously was the proposed Bill in regards to changing the local elections to be the same year as the gubernatorial elections. The Bill did not pass either House of the Legislature.

Chairpersons Report

Chairperson Henry 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 #383 through #388 were approved.

Resolution #389 titled, “Authorizing Lease Agreement with North Country Workforce Partnership, Inc.” was motioned by Legislator Potiker and seconded by Legislator Bezio. Carried (9-0-1-1).

Discussion: Legislator Kretser abstained.

Resolutions #390 through #392 were approved.

Resolution #393 titled, “Authorizing the County Treasurer to Transfer Appropriation from the Contingency Budget and Increase the Insurance Budget” was motioned by Legislator Timmons and seconded by Legislator Hall. Carried (9-0-1).

Discussion: Mr. Zurlo stated the Cybersecurity Insurance Premium is what increased in price.

Resolutions #394 through #407 were approved.

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

Resolution #408 was approved.

Discussion: Legislator Castine reminded the Legislature, on Friday, June 10th at 7:00 p.m., there will be a mass and Confirmation at St. Mary's Church in Champlain to commemorate the 150th Anniversary of the founding of the Diocese of Ogdensburg. Legislator Castine asked that anyone planning to attend please let him know.

Legislator Hall motioned to enter into Executive Session at 5:39 p.m., seconded by Legislator Bezio. Carried (9-0-1).

Legislator Hughes motioned to exit Executive Session at 6:15 p.m., seconded by Legislator Potiker. Carried (9-0-1).

There being no further business to come before the Legislature, Legislator Hall motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:23 p.m., seconded by Legislator Hughes. Carried (9-0-1).

Respectfully submitted,



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