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July 31, 2019

Stenographer's minutes of the Regular Session of the Clinton County Legislature held  
Wednesday, July 24, 2019 in the Legislative Chambers, 137 Margaret Street, Plattsburgh, New York.

PRESENT: 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  
Francis Peryea, Area 2  
Christopher Rosenquest, Area 9  
Rob Timmons, Area 7

EXCUSED: Patty Waldron, Area 6

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

Chairperson McManus called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

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

Legislator Hall motioned to accept the minutes of the July 10, 2019 Regular Session, seconded by Legislator Rosenquest. Carried (9-0-1).

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 Committee – Legislator Peryea**

Legislator Peryea stated the Buildings and Grounds Committee has not met since the last Regular Session. Resolution #583 has been placed on the agenda under Waive Rule 13.2. This resolution awards bids for the demolition of property in the Village of Dannemora. Bids came in under estimate.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 12<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 p.m.

#### **Children and Family Services Committee – Legislator Henry**

Legislator Henry stated the Children and Family Services Committee has not met since the last Regular Session.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 6<sup>th</sup> at 5:15 p.m.

#### **Economic Development and County Operations Committee – Legislator Conroy**

Legislator Conroy stated Resolution #571 has been polled and placed on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

#### **Finance Committee - Legislator Rosenquest**

Legislator Rosenquest stated the Finance Committee was polled on Resolution #572 which has been placed on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:15 p.m. at which time Clinton Community College will be presenting its 2019-2020 budget request. Representatives from Lumsden and McCormick will also be present to discuss 2018 audit findings.

#### **Health Committee – Mr. Zurlo**

Mr. Zurlo stated the Health Committee is scheduled to meet Tuesday, August 6<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 p.m.

**Human Services - Legislator Keenan**

Legislator Keenan stated the Human Services Committee is scheduled to meet Wednesday, August 7<sup>th</sup> at 5:15 p.m.

**Personnel Committee - Legislator Dame**

Legislator Dame stated the Personnel Committee has not met since the last Regular Session. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:15 p.m.

**Plattsburgh International Airport Committee - Legislator Hall**

Legislator Hall stated the Plattsburgh International Airport Committee meeting scheduled for this evening was cancelled. The Committee was polled on Resolution #573 which has been placed on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 28<sup>th</sup> at 5:15 p.m.

**Public Safety Committee – Legislator Henry**

Legislator Henry stated the Public Safety Committee has not met since the last Regular Session. Resolutions #574 and #575 have been placed on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:15 p.m.

**Transportation Committee - Legislator Timmons**

Legislator Timmons stated the Transportation Committee has not met since the last Regular Session. Resolutions #576 and #577 have been placed on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 12<sup>th</sup> at 5:15 p.m.

**Liaison Reports**

**Board of Health – Legislator Henry**

Legislator Henry stated the July 15<sup>th</sup> Board of Health meeting was cancelled. He stated the next meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 26<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. in which the regular meeting will take place and budget discussion will be held.

**Chamber of Commerce – Legislator Rosenquest**

Legislator Rosenquest stated the next meeting is scheduled for Friday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Clinton Community College – Legislators Dame and Rosenquest**

Legislator Dame stated Ray DiPasquale, the President of Clinton Community College, Mr. Zurlo, Chairperson McManus and he met to review the 2019-2020 Clinton Community College budget. The CCC budget will be presented at the Wednesday, August 7<sup>th</sup> Finance Committee meeting.

### **Community Services Board – Legislator Conroy**

Legislator Conroy stated the Community Services Board met Tuesday, July 23<sup>rd</sup> in which Eric Passernack from the New York State Office of Developmental Disabilities was present. He stated new services were reviewed at the meeting.

### **Cooperative Extension – Legislator Timmons**

Legislator Timmons stated Cooperative Extension is scheduled to meet Wednesday, July 31<sup>st</sup> to discuss the budget.

Chairperson McManus stated members of Cooperative Extension set up a very nice flower garden for the MHAB presentation he attended earlier in the day.

### **Intercounty Legislative Meeting of the Adirondacks – Mr. Zurlo**

Mr. Zurlo stated Legislator Waldron is traveling to Lewis County, New York for the Thursday, July 24<sup>th</sup> Intercounty meeting. He stated Legislator Waldron will provide a report at the Wednesday, August 14<sup>th</sup> Regular Session.

### **Lake Champlain/Lake George Regional Planning Board – Legislator Keenan**

Legislator Keenan stated the Lake Champlain/Lake George Regional Planning Board met Tuesday, July 16<sup>th</sup>. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 17<sup>th</sup>.

### **Soil and Water – Legislator Timmons**

Legislator Timmons stated the July meeting was not held.

### **Staff Reports**

#### **County Attorney – Jacqueline Kelleher, Esq.**

Jacqueline Kelleher, the County Attorney, stated a meeting took place on Tuesday, July 22<sup>nd</sup> with a mediator appointed by PERB, Chris Kelly, with the Corrections Unit. Mediation took place for approximately four hours. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 13<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Zurlo advised Legislators an Executive Session could be held should they have specific question in regards to the meeting.

Chairperson McManus reported on a joint meeting regarding the EDA Grant. He stated Mr. Brown, Renee McFarlin, the Director of Economic Development, and he were present for the County, as well as representatives from the Town of Plattsburg and The Development Corporation. He stated the former County Airport is an opportunity zone which allowed the match to leverage significantly more money. Originally, we were hoping for 1,000 feet of water, sewer electric and roads. We subsequently found, with the additional \$1.5 million leveraged, we should be more in the total of an additional 1,600 feet. We are hoping, at the end of the process, that we will obtain six more lots in addition to the lots we had already hoped for. The final application will be submitted by Barton & Loguidice on August 9, 2019. It is hoped that by September 30, 2019, we will have the grant award. By November 1, 2019, we hope to have the engineering firm selected. Bids will go out January 31, 2020 and returned by February 29, 2020. This is tremendous news for Clinton County.

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

Resolution #572 titled, "Authorizing Quit Claim Deed to Joseph L. Lamare for Parcel Located in the Town of Chazy – Legislature" was moved by Legislator Rosenquest and seconded by Legislator Henry.

Discussion: Mr. Zurlo stated Resolution #522 was approved at the July 10<sup>th</sup> Regular Session which is similar to this resolution. Carried (9-0-1).

Resolutions #573 and #574 were approved.

Resolutions #575 titled, "Authorizing Contract with Clinton Community College – Sheriff's Department" was moved by Legislator Henry and seconded by Legislator Hall.

Discussion: Legislator Dame stated the position does not increase the manpower in the Sheriff's Department. The position is a retired law enforcement officer. He stated Clinton Community College will pay for the position. Providing this service will save CCC from paying more to a private security firm. Carried (9-0-1).

Resolutions #576 through #582 were approved.

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

Resolutions #583 was approved.

Chairperson McManus asked if there was anything further to come before the Legislature. Legislator Dame asked Ms. Kelleher if she was aware of anything regarding the Retirees' Association. Ms. Kelleher replied written consent has been sent to the attorneys for the retirees stating we consent to an amended order from the court, and we will pay the fees and not object to anything if the court enters it.

There being no further business to come before the Legislature, Legislator Hall motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:19 p.m., seconded by Legislator Conroy. Carried (9-0-1).

Respectfully submitted,



Jeanene Bell  
Senior Stenographer

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