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November 3, 2015

Stenographer's minutes of the Regular Session of the Clinton County Legislature held
Wednesday, October 28, 2015 in the Legislative Chambers, 137 Margaret Street, Plattsburgh, New York.

PRESENT:

Jonathan Beach, Area 2
Mark Dame, Area 8
Samuel Dyer, Chairperson, Area 3
Robert Hall, Area 10
Pete Keenan, Area 5
James Langley, Jr., Area 7
Harry McManus, Area 1
Colin Read, Area 4
Patty Waldron, Area 6

EXCUSED:

John Gallagher, Area 9

ALSO PRESENT:

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

Chairperson Dyer 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 Gallagher asked to be excused.

Legislator Hall motioned to accept the minutes of the October 14th Regular Session, seconded by Legislator Keenan. (Carried 9-0-1).

There being no one to address the Legislature, Chairperson Dyer called for standing committee and liaison reports.

Committee Reports

Buildings and Grounds Committee – Legislator Read

Legislator Read reported the next Buildings and Grounds Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 10th at 5:15 p.m.

Children and Family Services Committee – Legislator Waldron

Legislator Waldron reported the next Children and Family Services Committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 5th at 6:15 p.m. (This meeting was subsequently changed to 4:15 p.m.)

County Operations Committee – Legislator Read

Legislator Read reported the next County Operations Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 10th at 6 p.m.

Finance Committee – Legislator Dame

Legislator Dame reported the next Finance Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 4th at 5:15 p.m.

Human Services Committee – Legislator Keenan

Legislator Keenan reported the next Human Services Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 4th following the 5:15 p.m. Finance Committee meeting.

Plattsburgh International Airport Committee – Legislator Langley

Legislator Langley reported the Plattsburgh International Airport Committee met earlier. Resolutions #749 through #754 and Resolutions #766 through #768 have been placed on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee.

Legislator Langley reported the first phase of the new Terminal Building will be operational Wednesday, November 4th. He reported glass was installed today and Transportation Security Administration (TSA) equipment will be moved upstairs. Chairperson Dyer reported the public was very happy with the tours.

The next Plattsburgh International Airport Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 23rd 4:30 p.m. at the Plattsburgh International Airport.

Public Safety Committee – Legislator Hall

Legislator Hall reported the next Public Safety Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 9th at 6:15 p.m. (This meeting was subsequently changed to 5:15 p.m.)

Transportation Committee – Legislator McManus

Legislator McManus reported Resolution #755 regarding the Rural Para Transit Service has been placed on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee.

Liaison Reports

Chamber of Commerce – Legislator Read

Legislator Read reported the Strategic Tourism Planning Committee (STPC) is scheduled to meet in November.

Community Services – Legislator Beach

Legislator Beach reported the Community Services Board is scheduled to meet next week.

Intercounty – Legislator Waldron

Legislator Waldron reported the Intercounty Legislative Committee of the Adirondacks met Thursday, October 22nd in Lewis County. She reported there was a tour of the largest dairy farm in New York State. Katie Holcomb from New York State Association of Counties (NYSAC) and Jeff Farrell from the Governor’s Office were in attendance.

LC/LG Regional Planning Board – Legislator Langley

Legislator Langley reported documents for the Lake Champlain/Lake George Regional Planning Board have been signed and returned for payment.

Workforce Development Board – Legislator Read

Legislator Read reported he represents the Legislature on the Workforce Development Board with County Supervisors who meet on a monthly basis. He would like to prepare resolutions of thanks for the organization of the group on behalf of the Legislature.

James Coffey, the County Attorney, requested an Executive Session to discuss certain legal proceedings and potential litigation involving the Clinton County Sheriff’s Department.

Mr. Zurlo reported the recommended 2016 Clinton County budget will be mailed to the Legislature on Friday, November 13th. He reported the Finance Committee will meet on Monday, November 16th at 5:15 p.m. and Wednesday, November 18th at 5:15 to discuss the recommended budget. He reported it has been requested Regular Session #22 scheduled for Tuesday, November 24th at 7 p.m. be rescheduled to Monday, November 23rd at 7 p.m.

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

Resolutions #746 through #753 were approved.

Resolution #754 titled, "Authorizing Change Order #13 with L.H. LaPlante Company, Inc."

Discussion: Mr. Zurlo reported Change Order resolutions are a compilation of Change Directives that have previously been approved through the Committee which policy has been established by the Legislature. Rodney Brown, the Deputy County Administrator, reported Change Order resolutions allow a contract amendment to occur with the County's contractors so that payment can be made. (Carried 9-0-1).

Resolutions #755 through #764 were approved.

Resolution #765 titled, "Authorizing the County Treasurer to Increase Appropriations from the Worker's Compensation Reserve – Treasurer's Office"

Discussion: Legislator Dame inquired about the \$240,000 shortfall included in the resolution. Mr. Zurlo replied this money is already in the County's Worker's Compensation Reserve. Legislator Dame asked if the \$240,000 was an expense not anticipated for 2015. Mr. Zurlo replied yes, this line was under budgeted. Legislator Dame asked if there was \$1.3 in the Reserve. Mr. Zurlo replied yes, the County budgets each year based on the recommendation of Northern Insuring Agency. Legislator Dame asked if the budgeted amount was based on a certain amount being put aside for payroll paid on employee classification. Mr. Zurlo replied yes, plus outstanding liabilities there may be a reserve on that may be envisioned on the County having to pay. Legislator Dame asked if a comparison has ever been conducted. Mr. Zurlo replied a comparison is conducted every three years through the State Insurance Fund, and it has been in the County's favor not to change. (Carried 9-0-1).

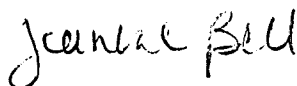
Legislator Hall motioned to Waive Rule 13.2, seconded by Legislator Read. (Carried 9-0-1).

Resolutions #766 through #768 were approved.

Chairperson Dyer asked if anyone had anything further to come before the Legislature.

There being no further business, Chairperson Dyer entertained a motion from Legislator Keenan to adjourn Regular Session at 7:27 p.m., seconded by Legislator Hall. (Carried 9-0-1).

Respectfully submitted,



Jeanene Bell
Senior Stenographer