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May 2, 2025

Stenographer's minutes of the Regular Session of the Clinton County Legislature held
Wednesday, April 30, 2025 in the Legislative Chambers, 137 Margaret Street, Plattsburgh, New York.

PRESENT: David Bezio, Area 4
Calvin Castine, Area 1
Mark Henry, Chairperson, Area 3
Paul Lamoy, Area 8
Francis Peryea, Area 2
Rob Timmons, Area 7
Patty Waldron, Area 6

EXCUSED: Robert Hall, Area 10
Joshua Kretser, Area 9
Kevin Randall, Area 5

ALSO PRESENT: Michael E. 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. Legislators Hall, Kretser and Randall asked to be excused.

Legislator Bezio motioned to accept the minutes of the April 9, 2025 Regular Session, seconded by Legislator Lamoy. Carried (7-0-3).

Chairperson Henry asked if anyone wished to address the Legislature. He reviewed the Rules of Order with those in attendance.

Betty Lou LaJoy, from the Town of Plattsburgh, New York, expressed her dismay with the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) and the problems there. She discussed her experience she had in 2022 and stated as a result of the actions of the DMV, her issue has yet to be resolved.

Jennifer Jewett, of Champlain, New York, spoke on the New York State Open Meeting Law Guidance as per the State's Committee on Open Government Law (OML) and cited OML-AO-5607 as per Miguel-Carlo Bautista.

Jacqueline Kelleher, the County Attorney, also cited OML-AO-5296, stating a presiding officer has the authority to limit repetitive and offensive remarks from the public. She noted this opinion was provided by Robert Freeman.

There being no one else who wished to address the Legislature, Chairperson Henry moved onto the Committee Reports.

Buildings and Grounds Committee – Legislator Lamoy

Legislator Lamoy stated 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, May 12th at 4:00 p.m.

Children and Family Services Committee – Legislator Peryea

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

The next Children and Family Services Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, May 6th at 5:00 p.m.

Economic Development and County Operations Committee – Legislator Waldron

Legislator Waldron stated the Economic Development and County Operations Committee has not met since the last Regular Session.

Resolution #262 titled, "Authorizing Contract with Barton and Loguidice, D.P.C" from the Economic Development and County Operations meeting of April 9th, has been placed on the agenda upon the Committee's recommendation.

The next Economic Development and County Operations Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, May 14th at 4:00 p.m.

Finance Committee – Legislator Timmons

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

The next Finance Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, May 7th at 5:15 p.m. He asked the Committee to please be prepared to discuss Tobacco Settlement requests.

Health Committee – Legislator Bezio

Legislator Bezio stated the Health Committee has not met since the last Regular Session.

The next Health Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, May 7th at 4:00 p.m.

Human Services Committee – County Administrator Michael Zurlo

On behalf of Legislator Randall, Mr. Zurlo reported the Human Services Committee has not met since the last Regular Session.

The Human Services Committee meeting scheduled for Tuesday, May 6th has been cancelled.

Personnel Committee – Legislator Henry

Legislator Henry stated the Personnel Committee has not met since the last Regular Session.

Resolutions #263 through #290 from the April 7th Personnel Committee meeting have been placed on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee.

The next Personnel Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Monday, May 5th at 5:00 p.m.

Plattsburgh International Airport Committee – Legislator Waldron

On behalf of Legislator Hall, Ms. Waldron reported the Plattsburgh International Airport Committee met earlier.

Chris Kreig, the Airport Director, discussed several resolutions including, “Authorizing Acquire Snow Removal Equipment Broom/Blower and Carrier Vehicle Grant Application” and “Amending Resolution #1115 dated December 23, 2024 titled, “Authorizing Various Contracts for the Year 2025”, as well as, airline and tenant updates.

Resolutions #294 through #303 have been placed on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee.

The next Plattsburgh International Airport Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, May 28th at 4:00 p.m.

Public Safety Committee – Legislator Castine

Legislator Castine stated the Public Safety Committee has not met since the last Regular Session.

Resolution #291 from the April 7th Public Safety Meeting has been added to the agenda, as well as, Resolutions #292 and #293 through a poll conducted on Friday, April 25th.

The next Public Safety Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Monday, May 5th at 4:00 p.m.

Transportation Committee – County Administrator

On behalf of Legislator Kretser, Mr. Zurlo reported the Transportation Committee met on Monday, April 14th.

Shannon Thayer, the Planning Director, was present to discuss the resolution, “Authorizing Contract with JJ Property Maintenance” and the 2024 Clinton County Public Transit Annual Report.

Karl Weiss, the Highway Superintendent, was also present to discuss resolutions including, “Authorizing Contract Extension for Cold-in-Place Milling of Pavement on Various Roads” and “Authorizing the Implementation and Funding of the Costs of a Transportation Project, which may be Eligible for Federal-Aid and/or State-Aid, or Reimbursement from Bridge NY Funds.”

Resolutions #304 through #311 have been placed on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee, as well as, Resolutions #312 and #313 which were polled on Friday, April 25th.

The next Transportation Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Monday, May 12th at 5:15 p.m.

LIAISON REPORTS

Board of Health – Legislator Lamoy

Legislator Lamoy stated the Board of Health met on Monday, April 21st to act on several resolutions regarding health code violations, reviewed an exit interview summary, as well as, a rabies report and was happy to report that Clinton County remains rabies-free.

Community Services Board – Legislator Castine

Legislator Castine stated the Board met earlier and he was unable to attend. He noted the next Community Services Board meeting is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, June 10th.

Cooperative Extension – Legislator Timmons

Legislator Timmons stated the meeting scheduled for Tuesday, April 15th was cancelled. The next Cooperative Extension meeting is tentatively scheduled for Thursday, May 15th.

Soil and Water Conservation – Legislators Bezio and Timmons

Legislator Bezio stated he did not attend the meeting on Thursday, April 17th but was told if the Federal government did not follow through with the Ashtree Grant that the State would replace that Grant with an equal grant.

STAFF REPORTS

County Attorney – Jacqueline Kelleher, Esq.

Ms. Kelleher did not have a report.

County Administrator – Michael Zurlo

Mr. Zurlo stated Governor Kathy Hercul and the Legislature have been making progress with a spending plan for next year. However, that budget does not take into account any Federal cuts and may result in further revisions.

He requested an Executive Session to discuss the history of a particular employee.

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 #262 through #322 were approved.

Legislator Bezio motioned to enter into Executive Session at 5:59 p.m., seconded by Legislator Timmons. Carried (7-0-3).

Legislator Peryea motioned to exit Executive Session at 6:11 p.m., seconded by Legislator Lamoy. Carried (7-0-3).

Legislator Peryea apprised the Legislature regarding the Senior Center Celebration and stated everyone is invited.

There being no further business to come before the Legislature, Legislator Lamoy motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:13 p.m., seconded by Legislator Bezio. Carried (7-0-3).

Respectfully submitted,



Toni M. Moffat
Executive Secretary to the County Administrator

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