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Stenographer's minutes of the Regular Session of the Clinton County Legislature held Wednesday, July 25, 2018 in the Legislative Chambers, 137 Margaret Street, Plattsburgh, New York.

PRESENT:

Jonathan Beach, Area 2 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 Christopher Rosenquest, Area 9

Rob Timmons, Area 7 Patty Waldron, Area 6

ALSO PRESENT:

Michael E. Zurlo, County Administrator

Rodney Brown, Deputy County Administrator

James Coffey, Esq., County Attorney

Toni Moffat, Executive Secretary to the County Administrator

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

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

Legislator Hall motioned to accept the minutes of the July 11, 2018 Regular Session, seconded by Legislator Henry. Carried (10-0-0).

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 - Legislator Timmons**

Legislator Timmons reported the next Buildings and Grounds Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 8<sup>th</sup> at 5:15 p.m.

## Children and Family Services – Legislator Henry

Legislator Henry reported the next Children and Family Services Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:15 p.m.

#### Economic Development and County Operations – Legislator Conrov

Legislator Conroy reported Resolution #587 titled, "Authorizing Memoranda of Agreement with the Saranac River Trail Greenway, Inc. and Local Municipalities to Establish Responsibilities for Trail Segments" has been placed on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee at its meeting of July 11, 2018.

The next Economic Development and County Operations Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 8<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m.

Chairperson McManus was pleased to hear the New York State Department of Transportation (NYDOT) and the City of Plattsburgh were able to come to a compromise and extend the timeline for the acceptance of the Grant.

#### Finance – Legislator Rosenquest

Legislator Rosenquest reported the Finance Committee was polled on Resolution #588 which is on the agenda.

The next Finance Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 1<sup>st</sup> at 5:15 p.m. Representatives from Lumsden and McCormick will be present to discuss audit findings, and representatives from Clinton Community College will also be present to discuss their 2018-2019 budget request.

### Health - Legislator Waldron

Legislator Waldron reported the next Health Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 7<sup>th</sup> at 5:15 p.m.

# Human Services - Legislator Keenan

Legislator Keenan reported the next Human Services Committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 2<sup>nd</sup> at 5:15 p.m.

# Personnel - Legislator Dame

Legislator Dame reported the next Personnel Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 6<sup>th</sup> at 5:15 p.m.

# Plattsburgh International Airport - Legislator Hall

Legislator Hall reported the Plattsburgh International Airport Committee met earlier this evening. Chris Kreig, the Airport Director, reviewed Resolutions #589 through #596 which have been placed on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee. He also discussed the construction update of C & S Engineers, Inc. and McFarland-Johnson, Inc., the airline update and taxi cab operations.

The next Plattsburgh International Airport Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 21<sup>st</sup> at 5:15 p.m. at the Plattsburgh International Airport. Legislator Hall invited all Legislators and the media to attend this meeting.

Legislator Hall stated USA Hockey is hosting their semi-annual, level-five coaching symposium in Lake Placid from August 23-26. This is USA Hockey's marquee event which brings in top-level coaches from across the Nation. It has been communicated to the County that SkyWest's announcement to move up their start date to August 22<sup>nd</sup> has made the travel to Lake Placid much more convenient for visiting participants. This is just one small example of how our new Essential Air Service provider will not only benefit our Airport, but will also be a catalyst to our entire region. The County looks forward to a long and successful relationship with SkyWest.

# Public Safety - Legislator Beach

Legislator Beach reported the Public Safety Committee was polled on Resolutions #597, #598 and Resolution #604 under Waive Rule 13.2 which are on the agenda.

The next Public Safety Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:15 p.m.

### Transportation – Legislator Timmons

Legislator Timmons reported the next Transportation Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 13<sup>th</sup> at 5:15 p.m.

### **Liaison Reports**

# Clinton Community College - Legislators Dame and Rosenquest

Legislator Dame stated he, Legislator Rosenquest and Mr. Zurlo met with Ray DiPasquale, President of Clinton Community College and Randy Martin, Comptroller, to discuss Clinton Community College's budget request. The College's budget request will be discussed at the Finance Committee meeting on Wednesday, August 1<sup>st</sup>. Legislator Rosenquest noted the budget was passed by Clinton Community College's Board of Trustees on Tuesday, July 24<sup>th</sup>.

## Community Services Board – Legislator Conroy

Legislator Conroy stated the Community Services Board met recently. There were updates on Clinton Community College's proposed new housing complex and the \$150,000 Grant from New York State that will provide treatment for individuals with drug addictions within the jail system, help them transition back into the community and provide techniques to prevent recidivism.

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

Legislator Timmons stated due to the Clinton County Fair being held, there wasn't a July meeting but noted everything at the fair is going well.

## Intercounty Legislative Committee of the Adirondacks - Legislator Waldron

Legislator Waldron stated the next Intercounty Legislative Committee of the Adirondacks meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 26<sup>th</sup> in Franklin County at the Malone Golf Course.

# Lake Champlain/Lake George Regional Planning Board - Legislator Keenan

Legislator Keenan stated the Lake Champlain/Lake George Regional Planning Board met earlier today. He and Rodney Brown, the Deputy County Administrator, attended via teleconference. The meeting approved updated by-laws, harassment policies (and several other policies) and the appointment of Lisa Gilles as the acting Executive Director for a six-month period, pending a civil service examination.

Chairperson McManus stated Legislator Waldron has agreed to fill the vacant seat on the Lake Champlain/Lake George Regional Planning Board. He reported the Board now has three members from Clinton County.

#### Soil and Water – Legislators Timmons and Henry

Legislator Timmons reported three towns (Black Brook, Ausable and Lake Placid) are still working on a grant project for hydro-seeding in ditch and culvert areas. He reminded Legislators to please contact the Town Supervisors if you see a spot needing attention. Legislator Timmons also stated a third trailer collection of used tires was completed and was successful.

# **Staff Reports**

Mr. Zurlo reported the Department Heads will meet on Wednesday, August 1<sup>st</sup> to begin Clinton County's annual budget review.

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

Resolutions #587 was approved.

Resolution #588 titled, "Authorizing Acquisition of Town of Dannemora Parcel – Legislature" was moved by Legislator Rosenquest, seconded by Legislator Conroy.

Discussion: Mr. Zurlo reported it has come to the attention of the County that this property was believed to be owned by the County but recently has been discovered it was never legally transferred. At this time, the owner is willing to transfer ownership to the County. Mr. Zurlo noted James Coffey, the County Attorney, has worked extensively to rectify this issue.

Resolutions #589 through #603 were approved.

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

Resolution #604 was approved.

There being no further business, Legislator Rosenquest motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:17 p.m., seconded by Legislator Waldron. Carried (10-0-0).

Respectfully submitted,

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Executive Secretary to the County Administrator