# COUNTY OF CLINTON) :SS STATE OF NEW YORK)

June 27, 2016

Stenographer's minutes of the Regular Session of the Clinton County Legislature held Wednesday, June 22, 2016 in the Legislative Chambers, 137 Margaret Street, Plattsburgh, New York.

PRESENT:

Jonathan Beach, Area 2 Mark Dame, Area 8 Samuel Dyer, Area 3 Robert Hall, Area 10 Pete Keenan, Area 5

Harry McManus, Chairperson, Area 1 Christopher Rosenquest, Area 9

Sara Rowden, Area 4 Rob Timmons, Area 7 Patty Waldron, Area 6

ALSO PRESENT:

Michael Zurlo, County Administrator

Rodney Brown, Deputy County Administrator

James Coffey, Esq., County Attorney Jeanene Bell, Senior Stenographer Chairperson McManus called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

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

Legislator Dyer motioned to accept the minutes of the June 8, 2016 Regular Session, seconded by Legislator Keenan. (Carried 10-0-0).

Chairperson McManus asked if anyone wished to address the Legislature.

Kimberly Davis, the County Treasurer, reported the Clinton County *in rem* Foreclosure Auction is scheduled for Wednesday, June 29<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m. at the West Side Ballroom. She reported there are 41 properties, of which, 37 are listed as foreclosures, two are the 11-87 properties and two properties that were purchased at a previous auction but the sales were not complete.

Legislator Rosenquest requested a moment of silence in memory of Gordie Little.

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

# **Committee Reports**

## **Buildings and Grounds - Legislator Timmons**

Legislator Timmons reported the 130 Arizona Avenue Renovation Project is progressing. He reported the left elevator in the Government Center is operational, and the right elevator is currently being repaired.

The next Buildings and Grounds Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July 13<sup>th</sup> at 5:15 p.m.

# Children and Family Services - Legislator Waldron

Legislator Waldron reported Resolutions #420 through #422 were polled and are included on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee.

The next Children and Family Services Committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:15 p.m.

### County Operations - Legislator Rowden

Legislator Rowden reported the next County Operations Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July 13<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m.

### Economic Development Ad Hoc - Legislator Rosenquest

Legislator Rosenquest reported the next Economic Development Ad Hoc Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:15 p.m. Paul DeDominicas, the Director of Community Development for the City of Plattsburgh, will be in attendance. He indicated the Airport Grant Task Force Committee has been created and has met to develop a grant application.

## Finance - Legislator Dame

Legislator Dame reported the next Finance Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July  $6^{th}$  at 5:15 p.m.

## Human Services - Legislator Keenan

Legislator Keenan reported the next Human Services Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July 6<sup>th</sup> following the Finance Committee meeting.

## Personnel – Legislator Dyer

Legislator Dyer reported the next Personnel Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 12<sup>th</sup> at 5:15 p.m. Resolution #426 has been polled and is included on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee.

# Plattsburgh International Airport - Legislator Hall

Legislator Hall reported the Plattsburgh International Airport Committee met earlier. He reported the Terminal Building Expansion Project is progressing well. The escalators will be complete in October, and the Airport Terminal will open in November, 2016. Resolutions #427 through #430 are included on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee.

The next Plattsburgh International Airport Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July  $27^{th}$  at 5:15 p.m.

# Public Safety - Legislator Beach

Legislator Beach reported the Public Safety Committee met Monday, June 13<sup>th</sup>. Aaron Lefebvre, the STOP-DWI Coordinator; Eric Day, the Director of Emergency Services; Richelle Gregory, the Executive Director of the Child Advocacy Center; and Dave Marcoux, the Director of Probation/ATI were present to discuss various items. Resolutions #431 through #437 are included on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee, and Resolution #438 was polled.

The next Public Safety Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, July 11th at 6:15 p.m.

## Transportation Committee - Legislator Timmons

Legislator Timmons reported the Transportation Committee met Monday, June 13<sup>th</sup>. James Bosley, the Planning Technician, was present to discuss several routine resolutions and provided a progress report on several operational matters. Resolutions #439 through #443 are included on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee.

The next Transportation Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, July 11th at 5:15 p.m.

## **Liaison Reports**

# Clinton Community College - Legislators Dame and Rosenquest

Legislator Dame reported he attended a meeting of the Clinton Community College (CCC) Board of Trustees on Tuesday, June 21<sup>st</sup>. He reported the search continues for a President at CCC. The construction on the Advanced Manufacturing Institute (AMI) Building is progressing.

### Community Services - Legislator Rowden

Legislator Rowden reported the Community Services Board is recruiting for a Director of Community Services as Peter Trout will be leaving the position effective Sunday, July 17<sup>th</sup>.

## Cooperative Extension – Legislator Timmons

Legislator Timmons reported the meeting of Cornell Cooperative Extension was cancelled. He reported the Agricultural Tour is scheduled for Thursday, July 28<sup>th</sup>.

## Soil and Water - Legislators Dyer and Timmons

Legislator Timmons reported seeding has begun. Legislator Dyer reported on a grant which will fund old tire removal from farms.

## Workforce Development Board - Legislator Rosenquest

Legislator Rosenquest reported the Workforce Development Board met to discuss its annual financial report. He reported the Workforce Development Board is key to the County's economic development in the future.

## **Staff Reports**

County Attorney James Coffey requested an Executive Session to discuss Clinton County vs. the Estate of Gerald Guay and the beneficiary of the Wyman estate who is opposing the sale of land being foreclosed upon for tax purposes.

Chairperson McManus reported the Airport Grant Task Force Committee has been meeting regarding an application for the Upstate Airport Economic Development Revitalization Grant. He reported a draft document has been prepared dealing with air cargo, industrial development and commercial passenger service. Chairperson McManus reported the Airport's budget is included in the document which he feels is outstanding in terms of the County's contribution. He reported the Plattsburgh International Airport is going to be very competitive in the application process. He reported job and revenue components were included in the application on specific items in which the County is requesting funding. The next Airport Grant Task Force Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 28<sup>th</sup> in which a final document will be presented. The deadline for the application is Friday, July 1<sup>st</sup>. A first cut will be within 30 days and, at that point, the County will be advised if it is one of the ten counties selected.

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

Resolutions #420 through #429 were approved.

Resolution #430 titled, "Authorizing Installation of Perimeter Security Fence – Design Grant Application – Plattsburgh International Airport"

Discussion: Legislator Dyer reported the design of the installation of the perimeter security fence at the Plattsburgh International Airport is quite expensive. (Carried 10-0-0).

Resolutions #431 through #442 were approved.

Resolution #443 titled, "Authorizing Contract with City of Gloversville for Lease of Vehicles through the New York State Department of Transportation Spare Bus Program – Clinton County Public Transit (CCPT)"

Discussion: Mr. Zurlo asked if the resolution authorized the last of the reauthorizations for Clinton County Public Transit buses. Legislator Timmons replied yes. Mr. Zurlo asked when the buses will arrive. Mr. Brown replied the buses will arrive in September, 2016. (Carried 10-0-0).

Resolutions #444 through #447 were approved.

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

Resolution #448 was approved.

Chairperson McManus asked if there was anything further to come before the Legislature.

Legislator Beach reported he and Legislators Timmons and Waldron attended the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Advisory Committee meeting. He reported there was discussion on EMS issues in Clinton County. Legislator Beach will be reporting to the Legislature on the issue in the near future. Chairperson McManus inquired if Clinton County fire departments are having problems with staffing. Legislator Beach replied ideas were suggested, and he will report back to the Public Safety Committee for further explanation. He reported the problem is recognized and a clear solution has yet to be determined. Clinton County will act as a moderator/guide to the solution. Legislator Dyer reported he has received complaints in regards to the tax rates. Legislator Beach replied methodologies are being researched to solve the problem without a huge tax impact.

Chairperson McManus entertained a motion from Legislator Keenan to enter into Executive Session at 7:29 p.m., seconded by Legislator Timmons. (Carried 10-0-0).

Legislator Hall motioned to exit Executive Session and return to Regular Session at 7:46 p.m., seconded by Legislator Waldron. (Carried 10-0-0).

There being no further business, Legislator Dame motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:47 p.m., seconded by Legislator Timmons. (Carried 10-0-0).

Respectfully submitted,

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