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

July 6, 2015

Stenographer's minutes of the Regular Session of the Clinton County Legislature held Wednesday, June 24, 2015 in the Legislative Chambers, 137 Margaret Street, Plattsburgh, New York.

PRESENT: Jo

Jonathan Beach, Area 2

Mark Dame, Area 8

Samuel Dyer, Chairperson, Area 3

John Gallagher, Area 9 Robert Hall, Area 10 Pete Keenan, Area 5 James Langley, Jr., Area 7 Colin Read, Area 4 Patty Waldron, Area 6

EXCUSED:

Harry McManus, Area 1

ALSO PRESENT:

Michael E. Zurlo, County Administrator

Rodney Brown, Deputy County Administrator

James Coffey, Esq., County Attorney Melody Lemieux, Principal Stenographer Chairperson Dyer called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

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

Legislator Hall motioned to accept the minutes of the June 10<sup>th</sup> Regular Session, seconded by Legislator Keenan. Carried (9-0-1).

Chairperson Dyer asked if anyone present wished to address the Legislature. There being no one who wished 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 meeting of the Buildings and Grounds Committee is scheduled for Wednesday, July 8<sup>th</sup> at 5:45 p.m.

# Children and Family Services Committee – Legislator Waldron

Legislator Waldron reported the Children and Family Services Committee meeting scheduled for Thursday, July  $1^{st}$  has been cancelled.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:15 p.m. at which time a tour of the recent renovations to the first floor of the Human Services Center will be provided.

#### County Operations Committee - Legislator Read

Legislator Read reported the County Operations Committee was polled on Resolution #441 and #460 on tonight's agenda.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July 8th at 6:00 p.m.

#### Finance Committee – Legislator Dame

Legislator Dame reported the next Finance Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July 1<sup>st</sup> at 5:15 p.m.

Mr. Zurlo reported Clinton Community College will be presenting its 2015-2016 budget request to the Finance Committee at its meeting of Wednesday, August 5<sup>th</sup>. Lumsden and McCormick will also be present at the meeting to present their audit findings. The Plattsburgh-North Country Chamber of Commerce's Strategic Tourism Planning Committee will be present at the Wednesday, September 2<sup>nd</sup> Finance Committee meeting.

#### Health Committee - Legislator Beach

Legislator Beach reported the Health Committee was polled on Resolution #442 on tonight's agenda.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 2<sup>nd</sup> at 5:15 p.m.

# Human Services Committee - Legislator Keenan

Legislator Keenan reported the Human Services Committee meeting scheduled for Wednesday, July 1<sup>st</sup> has been cancelled.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 5<sup>th</sup> following the 5:15 p.m. Finance Committee meeting.

# Personnel Committee - Legislator Gallagher

Legislator Gallagher reported the next Personnel Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 29<sup>th</sup> at 5:15 p.m.

# Plattsburgh International Airport Committee - Legislator Langley

Legislator Langley reported the Plattsburgh International Airport Committee met earlier in the afternoon. Fred Mock, the Vice President of McFarland-Johnson, Inc. and Chris Kopec, the Deputy Project Manager of McFarland-Johnson, Inc. provided a PowerPoint presentation on the Federal Inspection Station (FIS) space. Turner Bradford, the Senior Engineer of McFarland-Johnson, Inc. was also present to discuss the Terminal Building Expansion Project.

The next Plattsburgh International Airport Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July 22<sup>nd</sup> at 5:15 p.m.

#### Public Safety Committee – Legislator Hall

Legislator Hall reported the next Public Safety Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, July 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:15 p.m.

# Transportation Committee - Mr. Zurlo on behalf of Legislator McManus

Mr. Zurlo reported the Transportation Committee was polled on Resolutions #447 through #450 and #464 on tonight's agenda.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, July 13th at 5:15 p.m.

#### Liaison Reports

# Clinton Community College - Legislator Dame

Legislator Dame reported he recently attended a Clinton Community College Board of Trustees meeting. Recently-appointed Trustees are settling in nicely. Resolution #452 will reappoint Mark Leta to the Board of Trustees.

Applications for full-time enrollment at Clinton Community College in the fall are up by approximately six percent. Deposits however are currently down by approximately 12 students. Legislator Dame and Mr. Zurlo will be meeting with the Fred Smith, Interim President, and Lisa Shovan, Vice President for Administration and Finance, on Wednesday, July 8<sup>th</sup>.

# Intercounty Legislative Committee of the Adirondacks - Legislator Waldron

Legislator Waldron reported the Intercounty Legislative Committee of the Adirondacks will be meeting in Essex County on Thursday, June 25<sup>th</sup>.

# Soil and Water - Chairperson Dyer

Legislator Read reported the Soil and Water Committee recently hired a new employee. The caliber of applicants for the position were excellent.

# Grievance Committee - Legislator Gallagher

Legislator Gallagher reported the Committee met to discuss a grievance from the Highway Department pertaining to overtime. The Grievance was denied as there was a claim of loss of overtime; however, no overtime was given to anyone on the date in question.

# Workforce Investment Board - Legislator Read

Mr. Zurlo reported Sylvie Nelson, the Executive Director of the Workforce Investment Board, delivered the Multi-Jurisdictional Chief Elected Officials Agreement which was authorized by the Clinton County Legislature pursuant to Resolution #436 dated June 10, 2015.

#### **Staff Reports**

#### County Attorney

County Attorney James Coffey requested an Executive Session to discuss litigation commenced by Paul and Rachel Rissetto. Mr. Coffey reported the closing on the PARC properties will be held the second week of July, 2015.

#### **County Administrator**

Mr. Zurlo reported he has spoken to Assemblywoman Janet Duprey. She indicated Clinton County's legislation to extend its local sales tax should be passed by the Assembly within the next couple of days.

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

Resolutions #441 through #447 were approved.

Resolution #448 titled, "Authorizing Contract Extension with City of Gloversville, New York – Clinton County Public Transit (CCPT)."

Discussion: Mr. Zurlo asked Rodney Brown, the Deputy County Administrator, to provide an update on the transition of management of CCPT from First Transit, Inc. to McDonald Transit Associates, Inc. Mr. Brown reported James Bosley, Planning Technician, has met with the resident manager of McDonald Transit Associates, Inc., and he is very pleased. The number of new drivers being hired is very encouraging, and the CCPT facility compares very favorably to the facility the manager operated out of Georgia.

Mr. Zurlo stated based on the anticipated increase in bus drivers, he asked if this Resolution would be affected. Mr. Brown stated the prior Resolution, Resolution #447 titled, "Authorizing Contract with Champlain Valley Advertising Agency" could be revisited once the routes are fully staffed.

Resolutions #449 through #451 were approved.

Resolution #452 titled, "Approving Reappointment to the Clinton Community College Board of Trustees."

Discussion: Legislator Read reported the two, newly-appointed members of the Board of Trustees at Clinton Community College are working out very well. He stated he did not personally know Mark Leta who would be reappointed by this Resolution.

Legislator Gallagher stated Mr. Leta is an engineer for New York State Electric and Gas and is a tremendous gentleman who has been very involved at Clinton Community College.

Legislator Dame stated Mr. Leta is very articulate and knowledgeable.

Legislator Langley stated Mr. Leta is originally from Binghamton, New York, and he is a SUNY graduate. Mr. Leta volunteers much of his free time with youth sports, and he is a member of the Industrial Development Agency. Mr. Leta has been very involved with Clinton Community College for many years and is highly respected.

Resolutions #453 through #463 were approved.

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

Resolution #464 was approved.

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

Legislator Gallagher motioned to enter into Executive Session at 7:40 p.m., seconded by Legislator Hall. Carried (9-0-1).

Legislator Gallagher motioned to exit Executive Session at 8:02 p.m., seconded by Legislator Read. Carried (9-0-1).

Legislator Hall motioned to adjourn Regular Session at 8:03 p.m., seconded by Legislator Keenan. Carried (9-0-1).

Respectfully submitted,

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Principal Stenographer

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