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November 12, 2021

Stenographer's minutes of the Regular Session of the Clinton County Legislature held Wednesday, November 10, 2021 Clinton County, New York.

PRESENT: Calvin Castine, Area 1
Robert Hall, Area 10
Mark Henry, Chairperson, Area 3
Wendell Hughes, Area 8
Joshua Kretser, Area 9
Francis Peryea, Area 2
Richard Potiker, Area 5
Rob Timmons, Area 7

EXCUSED: Patty Waldron, Area 6

VACANCY: Area 4

ALSO PRESENT: Michael E. Zurlo, County Administrator
Kim Kinblom, Deputy County Administrator
Gary Favro, Assistant County Attorney

Chairperson Henry called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

Chairperson Henry welcomed Legislator-Elect Dave Bezio, of Area 4, to the meeting and stated the Board is looking forward to working with him beginning January 1st. He also wished the United States Marine Corp a happy birthday.

Michael Zurlo, the County Administrator, conducted roll call. Legislator Waldron asked to be excused.

Legislator Hall motioned to accept the minutes of the October 13, 2021 Regular Session, seconded by Legislator Peryea. Carried (8-0-1-1).

Chairperson Henry asked if anyone wished to address the Legislature on any issue.

There being no one to address the Legislature, Chairperson Henry moved on to Committee Reports.

Buildings and Grounds Committee – Legislator Timmons

Legislator Timmons reported the Buildings and Grounds Committee has not met since the last Regular Session.

James Cleveland, the Buildings and Grounds Superintendent, reported the Government Center Roof Project is moving forward but currently awaiting delivery of the fascia material which has been delayed by the manufacturer. Delivery is expected in seven to ten days.

The Committee was polled on Resolutions #801 and #802 which have been placed on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee.

The next Buildings and Grounds Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Monday, December 13th at 4:30 p.m.

Children and Family Services Committee – Legislator Potiker

Legislator Potiker reported the Children and Family Services Committee met on Tuesday, November 9th.

John Redden, the Commissioner of the Department of Social Services, was present to discuss several resolutions mainly to approve 2022 contracts including “Authorizing Safe Harbour Grant Application and Acceptance.” He also reviewed the monthly statistics for September, 2021.

Resolutions #803 through #813 have been placed on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee.

The next Children and Family Services Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, December 7th at 5:15 p.m.

Economic Development and County Operations Committee – County Administrator Michael Zurlo

Mr. Zurlo reported the Economic Development and County Operations met earlier.

Timothy Surpitski, an Assessor in the Real Property Office, and Glen Cutter, the Planning Director, were present to discuss their department’s resolutions. Dave Randall, the Director of Information

Technology, was also present to discuss Multi-Factor Authentication Requirements for 2022 Cyber Insurance Renewal.

Kim Kinblom, the Deputy County Administrator, was also present to discuss the updated Title VI Plan.

Resolutions #814 through #822 were placed on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee.

The next Economic Development and County Operations Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, December 8th at 4:00 p.m.

Finance Committee – Legislator Timmons

Legislator Timmons reported the Finance Committee met on Wednesday, November 3rd.

Kimberly Davis, the County Treasurer, was present to discuss sales tax, occupancy tax and School 2021-2022 Installments.

Sean Lukas and Bill Meyers of Casella Waste Management of NY, Inc. were also present to discuss the status of Convenience Stations within the County. Chairperson Henry has approved a committee to review this matter.

Resolutions #823 through #825 have been placed on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee.

The next Finance Committee meetings are tentatively scheduled for Monday, November 29th and Tuesday, November 30th at 5:15 p.m. to review the 2022 budget.

Health Committee – Legislator Hughes

Legislator Hughes stated the Health Committee met on Wednesday, November 3rd.

John Kanoza, the Director of Public Health, was present to discuss the Third Quarter Grant Quarterly Report, the Director's Report for September, 2021, the Health Department Report for October, 2021, the WIC Newsletter for October through December, 2021 and the Public Health Connection for October, 2021.

Richelle Gregory, the Director of Community Services, was also present to discuss various resolutions including "Authorizing Various Contracts for the Year 2022."

Mr. Kanoza has provided the following COVID-19 update: as of Tuesday, November 9, 2021, Clinton County currently has a total of 232 Active Cases (in isolation) and 477 individuals in quarantine. As of November 8, 2021, a total of 27 patients were hospitalized at CVPH as a result of COVID-19 infections. SUNY Plattsburgh only had two individuals in COVID-19 isolation – one employee and one off-campus student.

Overall, Mr. Kanoza stated COVID-19 testing in Clinton County is continuing reasonably well, with 300 to 900+ tests being completed every day. As such, the Clinton County Health Department (CCHD) remains vigilant in vaccinations and testing.

Lastly, he stated CCHD staff continue to work with the County's partner, Champlain Valley Educational Services (CVES), to complete School Testing Project work for schools in Clinton County.

Resolutions #826 through #837 have been placed on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee.

The next Health Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, December 1st at 4:15 p.m.

Mr. Zurlo stated with the approval of vaccinations for children aged 5-11 years old, the County is using a multi-pronged approach- vaccinations are available at local pharmacies and pediatrician offices and the County will be ordering vials as well to work with elementary schools for POD's.

Human Services Committee – Legislator Peryea

Legislator Peryea reported the Human Services Committee met on Tuesday, November 9th.

Darleen Collins, the Director of the Office for the Aging, and Wendie Bishop, the Nursing Home Administrator, were present to discuss their department's resolutions. Kevin LeBeouf, the Director of the Veterans' Service Agency, was also present to discuss monthly statistics for October, 2021 and the VA Extension of Presumptive Period for Gulf War Chronic Illnesses.

Resolutions #838 through #845, as well as Resolution #892 under Waive Rule 13.2, have been placed on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee.

The next Human Services Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, December 7th at 4:15 p.m.

Personnel Committee – Legislator Henry

Legislator Henry reported the Personnel Committee met on Monday, November 1st.

Kim Kinblom, the Personnel Director, was present to discuss various resolutions including "Authorizing Various Contracts for the Year 2022" and the Clinton County Telework Agreement Extension.

Resolutions #846 through #861 have been placed on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee.

The next Personnel Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Monday, December 6th at 4:00 p.m.

Plattsburgh International Airport Committee – Legislator Hall

Legislator Hall reported the Plattsburgh International Airport Committee has not met since the last Regular Session.

Resolutions #862 through #864 were polled and have been placed on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee.

The next Plattsburgh International Airport Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, November 17th at 4:00 p.m.

Public Safety Committee – Legislator Castine

Legislator Castine reported the Public Safety Committee met on Monday, November 1st.

Sheriff Dave Favro, Chad Deans, the County Coroner, Jennifer Facticeau-Rabideau, the Deputy Coroner, and Jami Rock, the Administrative Assistant at the Child Advocacy Center (CAC) were present to discuss their department's resolutions.

Resolutions #865 through #878 have been placed on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee, as well as Resolution #879, through a poll conducted on Friday, November 5th.

The next Public Safety Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Monday, December 6th at 5:00 p.m.

Transportation Committee – Legislator Kretser

Legislator Kretser stated the Transportation Committee has not met since the last Regular Session.

Resolutions #880 and #881 were polled and have been placed on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee.

The next Transportation Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Monday, December 13th at 5:15 p.m.

LIAISON REPORTS

Board of Health – Legislator Henry

Legislator Henry reported the selection committee is proceeding forward for the replacement of John Kanoza, the Director of Public Health, who will be retiring on December 31, 2021. Chairperson Henry stated the committee is compiling a list of candidates and will notify the Board as the process progresses.

Chamber of Commerce – Legislator Potiker

Legislator Potiker reported the committee met on Thursday, November 4th at the Saranac Lake Waterfront Lodge and received an update from Board Chairman Bill Meyers and Garry Douglas, President and CEO of the North-Country Chamber of Commerce. Maritine Hébert, the Delegate General of Quebec, provided a presentation and conversation highlighting the cooperation between Quebec and New York. Conversation also included the November 8th Border re-opening and requirements for crossing into New York. Legislator Potiker also briefly discussed the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Emergency Vaccination Rule and the requirements involved for businesses with over 100 employees.

STAFF REPORTS

County Attorney – Gary Favro, Esq.

Mr. Favro did not have a report.

County Administrator – Michael Zurlo

Mr. Zurlo stated regarding the OSHA vaccination mandate, the County has received notice from the New York Association of Counties (NYSAC) and the National Association of Counties (NACo) that the

mandate applies to municipal government. Mr. Zurlo reported that he, and Ms. Kinblom, will be meeting with County Attorney Jacqueline Kelleher to devise a plan. He reported the County Department Heads have been notified that it is applicable to Clinton County. Initially, it was the belief that the County was not subject to the mandate because it is governed by Public Employee Safety and Health (PESH)/New York State Department of Labor (NYSDOL) but the County has since been notified that OSHA signs off on PESH's plan. Mr. Zurlo stated there will be more to follow.

Chairperson's Report – Legislator Henry

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 #801 through #813 were approved.

Resolution #814 titled, "Authorizing Contract with Town of Ausable For Full Assessing Services" was motioned by Legislator Castine and seconded by Legislator Hughes. Carried (8-0-1-1).

Discussion: Mr. Zurlo stated this resolution was discussed at the Economic Development and County Operations meeting and is the sole Shared Service Initiative this year. This contract and service will require three public hearings and a vote of the panel on the plan.

Resolutions #815 through #819 were approved.

Resolutions #821 titled "Naming of the Northern Tier Recreation Trail after Former County Legislator Harry J. McManus" was motioned by Legislator Hughes and seconded by Legislator Potiker. Carried (8-0-1-1)

Discussion: Mr. Zurlo stated this resolution requires a slight name change to "Supporting the Naming of the Northern Tier Recreation Trail after Former County Legislator Harry J. McManus"

Resolution #822 was withdrawn.

Resolutions #823 through #861 were approved

Resolution #862 title. "Authorizing Lease Agreement with C & S Technical Resources, Inc." was motioned by Legislator Hall and seconded by Legislator Hughes. Carried (8-0-1-1).

Discussion: Mr. Zurlo stated this resolution has been amended since discussion in Committee. The contract amount has increased \$1,000 from \$3,500 to \$4,500.

Resolutions #863 through #875 were approved.

Resolution #876 titled, "Authorizing Contract with Jennifer Facticeau-Rabideau, N.P." was motioned by Legislator Castine and seconded by Legislator Hall. Carried (8-0-1-1).

Discussion: Legislator Peryea abstained.

Resolutions #877 through #891 were approved.

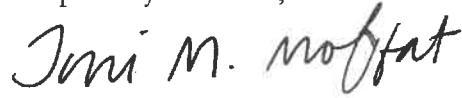
Legislator Hall motioned to Waive Rule 13.2, seconded by Legislator Timmons. Carried (8-0-1-1).

Resolution #892 was approved.

Chairperson Henry thanked the Legislators and office staff for their efforts to complete this large Regular Session agenda.

There being no further business to come before the Legislature, Legislator Hall motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:04 p.m., seconded by Legislator Hughes. Carried (8-0-1-1).

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Toni M. Moffat". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Toni M. Moffat
Executive Secretary to the County Administrator

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