COUNTY OF CLINTON) :SS STATE OF NEW YORK)

November 14, 2025

Stenographer's minutes of the Regular Session of the Clinton County Legislature held Wednesday, November 12, 2025 in the Legislative Chambers, 137 Margaret Street, Plattsburgh, New York.

PRESENT:

David Bezio, Area 4

Calvin Castine, Area 1 Robert Hall, Area 10

Mark Henry, Chairperson, Area 3

Joshua Kretser, Area 9 Francis Peryea, Area 2 Rob Timmons, Area 7 Patty Waldron, Area 6

EXCUSED:

Paul Lamoy, Area 8

Kevin Randall, Area 5

ALSO PRESENT:

Christine Peters, County Administrator

Kim Kinblom, Deputy County Administrator

Jacqueline Kelleher, County Attorney

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

Christine Peters, the County Administrator, conducted roll call. Legislators Lamoy and Randall have asked to be excused.

Legislator Hall motioned to accept the minutes of the October 22, 2025 Regular Session, seconded by Legislator Peryea. Carried (8-0-2).

Chairperson Henry asked if anyone wished to address the Legislature.

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

Buildings and Grounds Committee - County Administrator Christine Peters

On behalf of Legislator Lamoy, Ms. Peters stated the Buildings and Grounds Committee meeting scheduled for Monday, November 10th was cancelled.

The Committee was polled on Resolutions #826 through #829 on the agenda.

The next Buildings and Grounds Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Monday, December 8th at 4:00 p.m.

Children and Family Services Committee - Legislator Peryea

Legislator Peryea stated the Children and Family Services met on Thursday, November 6th.

Gretchen Crowningshield, the Commissioner of the Department of Social Services, was present to discuss several resolutions including, "Authorizing Contract with Clinton County Mental Health and Addiction Services" and "Authorizing New York State Code Blue Allocation Application and Acceptance." Ms. Crowningshield also updated the Committee on the Home Energy Assistance Program and the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program.

Resolutions #830 through #835 were polled on Friday, November 7th due to the lack of a meeting quorum.

The next Children and Family Services Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, December 2nd at 5:00 p.m.

Economic Development and County Operations Committee - Legislator Waldron

Legislator Waldron stated the Economic Development and County Operations Committee met earlier.

Tammy Lacey, the Real Property Director, was present to discuss the resolution, "Authorizing Contract with the Town of Saranac for Assisted Assessing Services."

Shannon Thayer, the Planning Director, was also present to discuss several resolutions including, "Approving Appointment to the Clinton County Planning Board" and "Awarding Requests for Proposals for Electrical Installation of Generators."

David Randall, the Information Technology Director, was in attendance to discuss the resolutions, "Authorizing FY2025 Cybersecurity Grant Program Application" and "Authorizing Contract with Twinstate Technologies."

Ms. Peters presented on the resolutions, "Authorizing Contract Amendment with Barton & Loguidice, D.P.C." and "Authorizing Contract Amendment with Architectural and Engineering Design Associates, P.C." Ms. Peters also updated the Committee on the County of Clinton Industrial Development Agency.

The Committee also discussed the resolutions, "Authorizing Acceptance of New York 250 (NY250) Local Partnership Grant Allocation" and "Authorizing Lease Extension with Elise M. Stefanik."

Resolutions #836 through #845 have been 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 10th at 4:00 p.m.

Finance Committee - Legislator Timmons

Legislator Timmons stated the Finance met on Wednesday, November 5th.

Rebecca Murphy, the Deputy County Treasurer, was present to discuss the resolutions, "Authorizing the Deputy County Treasurer to Increase Appropriation and Corresponding Revenue for the Capital Project titled, "Installation of the Passenger Boarding Bridge (PBB) Gate Two" - Plattsburgh International Airport" and "Authorizing the Deputy County Treasurer to Establish a Capital Project titled, "Airport-Wide Access Gate Control and Security Upgrades Phase I (Construction) Project" – Plattsburgh International Airport." Ms. Murphy also discussed sales tax, 2025-2026 School Installments, Airport Reserves and the October, 2025 Correction of Errors/Application for Refund Report.

County Attorney Jacqueline Kelleher was present to discuss the resolution, "Authorizing the Clerk of the Clinton County Legislature to Advertise for a Public Hearing on Local Law #1 of 2025 titled, "Amending Local Law #3 of 2024 titled, "Clinton County Room Occupancy Tax Law."

Michael Witzig, of Casella Waste Systems, was present to discuss the resolution, "Approving Part 1 of Full Environmental Assessment Form for Landfill Leachate Pre-treatment Plant and Declaration of Desire to Act as Lead Agency under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA)."

Resolutions #846 through #849 have been placed on the agenda upon the Committee's recommendation.

The next Finance Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, December 3rd at 5:15 p.m.

Health Committee - Legislator Bezio

Legislator Bezio stated the Health Committee met on Wednesday, November 5th.

Jeff Sisson, the Public Health Director, was present to discuss several resolutions including, "Authorizing Various Contracts for the Year 2026" and "Authorizing Creating Healthy Schools and Communities Grant Application and Acceptance." Mr. Sisson also discussed the Health Department Report for October, 2025, the Director's Report for September, 2025 and the 3rd Quarter Grant Report.

Resolutions #850 through #854 have been placed on the agenda based on the Committee's recommendation.

The next Health Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, December $3^{\rm rd}$ at 4:00 p.m.

Human Services Committee - County Administrator Christine Peters

On behalf of Legislator Randall, Ms. Peters stated the Human Services Committee met on Thursday, November 6th.

Kevin LeBoeuf, the Veterans' Services Director, was present to discuss monthly statistics.

Darleen Collins, the Director of the Office for the Aging, was also present to discuss several resolutions including, "Authorizing Memorandum of Understanding with Clinton County Public Transit" and "Authorizing Various Contracts for the Year 2026 and 2026-2027."

Resolutions #855 through #859 were polled on Friday, November 7^{th} due to the lack of a meeting quorum.

The next Human Services Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, December 2nd at 4:15 p.m.

Personnel Committee - Legislator Henry

Legislator Henry stated the Personnel Committee met on Monday, November 3rd.

Resolutions #863 through #875 have been placed on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee.

The next Personnel Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Monday, December 1st at 5:00 p.m.

Plattsburgh International Airport Committee - Legislator Hall

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

Resolutions #876 and #877 have been placed on the agenda from the Committee's meeting of Wednesday, October 22nd.

The next Plattsburgh International Airport Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Monday, November 24^{th} at 4:00 p.m.

Legislator Hall indicated that the flight to Washington Dulles has been experiencing issues. He recommended to those traveling to Washington Dulles to call ahead to assure that the flight is still scheduled.

Public Safety Committee - Legislator Castine

Legislator Castine stated the Public Safety Committee met on Monday, November 3rd.

Sheriff David Favro was present to discuss the resolutions, "Awarding Bid for Police Vehicle Upfitting Services" and "Amending Resolution #692 dated September 17, 2025 titled, "Awarding Huttig CDJR for the Purchase of Three Police Vehicles."

Alex Sutton, the Office Manager at the Public Defender's Office, was present to discuss the resolution, "Authorizing Aid to Defense for Discovery Reform Grant Acceptance."

The Committee also discussed abandoned dogs with Dog Control Officer Jody Perrea.

Resolutions #860 through #862 have been placed on the agenda based on the Committee's recommendation.

The next Public Safety Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Monday, December 1st at 4:00 p.m.

Transportation Committee - Legislator Kretser

Legislator Kretser stated the Transportation Committee met on Monday, November 10th.

Karl Weiss, the Superintendent of the Highway Department, was present to discuss several resolutions, "Awarding Bid for Transit Mix Concrete for the Years 2026 and 2027" and "Awarding Bids for Crushed Stone, Sand and Gravel for the Years 2026 and 2027."

Resolutions #878 through #885 were polled on Monday, November $10^{\rm th}$ due to the lack of a meeting quorum.

The next Transportation Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Monday, December 8^{th} at 5:15 p.m.

LIAISON REPORTS

Cooperative Extension - Legislator Timmons

Legislator Timmons reported the annual meeting was held on Tuesday, October 28th. He noted a few board members have termed out, and they have a full board with two new members joining for next year. Mr. Timmons noted due to the Federal cuts to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), the two SNAP educators were terminated.

STAFF REPORTS

County Attorney - Jacqueline Kelleher, Esq.

Ms. Kelleher reported the Town of Schuyler Falls will be having a public hearing next Tuesday night on the formation of the Sand Road Water District.

Ms. Kelleher also provided an update on the local law that has been replaced on the desk of the Legislators. She indicated a mailing that the County sent to the 100-plus property owners that are renting, brought to light an issue where the owner of the property had a long-term lease with an individual and the individual with a long-term lease was renting the property, the owner was responsible, so the County was able to clarify that issue. She noted it is very clear cut that if someone has a long-term lease, and they are doing an Airbnb, they will be responsible for the occupancy tax payment, not the property owner.

County Administrator - Christine Peters, Esq.

Ms. Peters reminded everyone that there is a Finance Budget meeting scheduled for Thursday, November 20th at 4 p.m. for the Recommended Budget. She also reminded the Legislators that Airport Director interviews will be tomorrow, Thursday, November 13th - one at 3 p.m. and one at 4:15 - 4:30 p.m. for everyone that wants to attend.

She stated there was some email exchanges regarding the Energy Choice Act resolution, in support of Congressman Nick Langworthy, and opposition to the government mandated natural gas ban. She desires to open the discussion and believes Legislator Randall will discuss in the next Buildings and Grounds Committee meeting. The draft resolution before you has been adopted by several bodies, several counties, to oppose the natural gas ban that is going to go into effect in 2026. She reported in construction and other areas, the installation of stoves, heating, or anything that has natural gas or other fossil fuels will be banned. She reported of the research that she has done, it is going to place significant pressure on the power grid, which she does not think Counties are ready for. It is also a little costly and she is not sure about the infrastructure. She provided a copy of the resolution for all to review.

Chairperson's Report

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

Resolutions #825 through #873 were approved.

Resolution #874 titled, "Approving Reappointment of Kimberly Kinblom to the Position of Personnel Director (PCN 2136)" was motioned by Legislator Timmons and seconded by Legislator Peryea. Carried (7-0-2-1).

Discussion: Legislator Bezio abstained.

Resolution #875 titled, "Authorizing Out-of-State Travel" was motioned by Legislator Kretser and seconded by Legislator Castine. Carried (7-0-2-1).

Discussion: Legislator Bezio abstained.

Resolutions #876 through #893 were approved.

Resolution #894 titled, "Approving Appointment to the Clinton County Human Rights Commission" was motioned by Legislator Bezio and seconded by Legislator Peryea. Carried (7-0-2-1).

Discussion: Legislator Kretser abstained.

Legislator Hall motioned to enter into Executive Session to discuss the sale and lease of real property and the employment of a certain employee at 5:56 p.m., seconded by Legislator Kretser. Carried (8-0-2).

Legislator Peryea motioned to exit Executive Session at 6:15 p.m., seconded by Legislator Bezio. Carried (8-0-2).

There being no further business to come before the Legislature, Legislator Waldron motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:16 p.m., seconded by Legislator Kretser. Carried (8-0-2).

Respectfully submitted,

Toni M. Moffat

Executive Secretary to the County Administrator

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