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October 30, 2016

Stenographer's minutes of the Regular Session of the Clinton County Legislature held
Wednesday, October 26, 2016 in the Legislative Chambers, 137 Margaret Street, Plattsburgh, New York.

PRESENT: Mark Dame, Area 8
Jonathan Beach, Area 2
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 7:05 p.m.

Following the pledge of allegiance to the flag, County Administrator Michael Zurlo conducted roll call. All Legislators were present. (Legislator Beach arrived at 7:07 p.m.)

Legislator Keenan motioned to accept the minutes of the October 12, 2016 Regular Session, seconded by Legislator Rosenquest. Carried (10-0-0).

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 meeting of the Buildings and Grounds Committee is scheduled for Wednesday, November 9th at 5:15 p.m. Mr. Zurlo reported there is a solution for the overhang at the 130 Arizona Avenue building.

Children and Family Services – Legislator Waldron

Legislator Waldron reported the next meeting of the Children and Family Services Committee is scheduled for Thursday, November 3rd at 5:15 p.m.

Economic Development and County Operations – Legislator Rosenquest

Legislator Rosenquest reported the Economic Development and County Operations Committee was polled on Resolution #757 which has been placed on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 9th at 6 p.m.

Finance – Legislator Dame

Legislator Dame reported the next Finance Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 2nd at 5:15 p.m. The next budget meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 17th at 5:15 p.m.

Health – Legislator Beach

Legislator Beach reported the next Health Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 7th at 5:15 p.m.

Human Services – Legislator Keenan

Legislator Keenan reported the next Human Services Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 2nd following the Finance Committee meeting.

Personnel – Legislator Dyer

Legislator Dyer reported the next Personnel Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 15th at 5:15 p.m.

Plattsburgh International Airport – Legislator Hall

Legislator Hall reported the Plattsburgh International Airport Committee met earlier. Resolutions #758 through #765 have been placed on the agenda upon the Committee's recommendation. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 21st at 5:15 p.m.

Public Safety – Legislator Beach

Legislator Beach reported the next Public Safety Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 14th at 6:15 p.m.

Transportation Committee – Legislator Timmons

Legislator Timmons reported the next Transportation Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 14th at 5:15 p.m. He reported new Clinton County Public Transit buses will be delivered next week.

Liaison Reports

Clinton Community College – Legislators Dame and Rosenquest

Legislator Rosenquest reported the Clinton Community College Board of Trustees met Tuesday, October 18th. The Board of Trustees expressed their gratitude for the County's support with the George Moore Administrative and Academic Building.

Community Services – Legislator Rowden

Legislator Rowden reported the Community Services Board met Tuesday, October 25th. She reported there continues to be no applicants for the State-mandated position of Director of Community Services. Mr. Zurlo reported Kimberly Kinblom, the Personnel Director, has been in contact with a recruiting firm that does not charge for services until a candidate is chosen.

Legislator Dame asked if there are State-required qualifications for the position. Mr. Zurlo replied the State requires a Local Governmental Unit (LGU) function to oversee the Community Services Board. In addition, the candidate hired supervises the Mental Health and Addictions Services Clinic. The requirements by Clinton County are the same or similar to other counties.

Legislator Hall asked the cost to the recruiting firm once a candidate is hired. Mr. Zurlo replied 20 percent of the first year's salary.

Legislator Dyer asked if the County is paying a sufficient salary for the position. Mr. Zurlo replied the position is on the highest Management Confidential grade the County offers. Clinton County pays a salary of \$15,000 to \$18,000 higher than the two other counties also searching for a Director of Community Services.

Legislator Dame asked the degree required for the position. Mr. Zurlo replied a Master's Degree is required in the field along with a certain number of years' experience. Legislator Dame asked the locations in which there has been advertising for the position. Legislator Rowden replied advertising has occurred through the National Association of Social Worker and Statewide recruitments.

Legislator Rowden hopes a member of the Legislature will serve as liaison to the Community Services Board once she is no longer serving as a Legislator. Meetings are the fourth Tuesday of each month at 4:30 p.m. at 130 Arizona Avenue, Plattsburgh. The Board deals with issues that will have an economic and social impact on the community.

Cooperative Extension – Legislator Timmons

Legislator Timmons reported Cooperative Extension held its annual meeting last week. He reported open positions have been filled on the three boards.

Intercounty – Legislator Waldron

Legislator Waldron reported the Intercounty Legislative Committee is scheduled to meet on Thursday, October 27th from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. in Clinton County. Legislators are to meet at 10 a.m. at the Koffee Kat. Dr. Beaumont's Tour of Terror (hosted by the Greater Adirondack Ghost and Tour Company) is scheduled for 10:30 a.m. Lunch will be at 12 p.m. at Olive Ridley's.

Soil and Water – Legislators Dyer and Timmons

Legislator Timmons reported Soil and Water continues to work with the County Highway Department with water issues in Harkness.

Workforce Development Board – Legislator Rosenquest

Legislator Rosenquest reported the Workforce Development Board held its annual Education through Workforce Forum. He reported the Forum was very informative. The Workforce Development Board is looking forward to working with advanced manufacturing with Norsk Titanium in 2017.

Staff Reports

County Attorney James Coffey requested an Executive Session to discuss Champlain Centre North, LLC vs. the Town of Plattsburgh and litigation involving the IKO shingle matter.

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

Resolutions #757 through #771 were approved.

Resolution #772 titled, "Authorizing Distribution of Mortgage Tax for the Period April 1, 2016 through September 30, 2016"

Discussion: Legislator Dame asked how the figures compare to the same six-month period in 2015. Mr. Zurlo replied they are very similar. Carried (10-0-0).


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

Chairperson McManus entertained a motion from Legislator Keenan to enter into Executive Session at 7:30 p.m. to discuss Champlain Centre North, LLC vs. the Town of Plattsburgh and litigation involving the IKO shingle matter, seconded by Legislator Waldron. Carried (10-0-0).

Legislator Hall motioned to exit Executive Session and return to Regular Session at 7:36 p.m., seconded by Legislator Keenan. Carried (10-0-0).

There being no further business, Legislator Keenan motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:37 p.m., seconded by Legislator Dyer. Carried (10-0-0).

Respectfully submitted,



Jeanene Bell
Senior Stenographer