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November 22, 2017

Stenographer's minutes of the Regular Session of the Clinton County Legislature held Monday, November 20, 2017 in the Legislative Chambers, 137 Margaret Street, Plattsburgh, New York.

PRESENT: Jonathan Beach, Area 2  
Simon Conroy, Area 4  
Mark Dame, Area 8  
Samuel Dyer, Area 3  
Robert Hall, Area 10  
Pete Keenan, Area 5  
Harry McManus, Area 1, Chairperson  
Christopher Rosenquest, Area 9  
Rob Timmons, Area 7  
Patty Waldron, Area 6

ALSO PRESENT: Michael Zurlo, County Administrator  
Rodney Brown, Deputy County Administrator  
James Coffey, Esq., County Attorney  
Toni Moffat, Executive Secretary to the County Administrator

Chairperson Harry 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 Hall motioned to accept the minutes of the November 8, 2017 Regular Session, seconded by Legislator Keenan. Carried (10-0-0).

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

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

Legislator Timmons reported the next Buildings and Grounds Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 13<sup>th</sup> at 5:15 p.m.

#### **Children and Family Services Committee - Legislator Waldron**

Legislator Waldron reported the Children and Family Services Committee was polled on Resolutions #902 through #907 which are on the agenda.

The next Children and Family Services Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:15 p.m.

#### **Economic Development and County Operations Committee - Legislator Rosenquest**

Legislator Rosenquest reported the Economic Development and County Operations Committee was polled on Resolution #908 which is on the agenda.

The next Economic Development and County Operations Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 13<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m.

#### **Finance Committee - Legislator Dame**

Legislator Dame reported the Finance Committee will meet Monday, November 27<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday, November 28<sup>th</sup> at 5:15 p.m. to begin reviewing the Recommended 2018 County Budget. Additional dates (if needed) will be Wednesday, November 29<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, November 30<sup>th</sup> at 5:15 p.m.

#### **Health Committee - Legislator Beach**

Legislator Beach reported the Health Committee was polled on Resolutions #909 through #916 which are on the agenda.

The next Health Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:15 p.m.

#### **Human Services – Legislator Keenan**

Legislator Keenan reported the next Human Services Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 6<sup>th</sup> at 5:15 p.m.

### **Personnel Committee - Legislator Dyer**

Legislator Dyer reported Resolution #917 which was discussed at the November 6<sup>th</sup> Personnel Committee meeting has been placed on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee.

The next Personnel Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 4<sup>th</sup> at 5:15 p.m.

### **Plattsburgh International Airport Committee – Legislator Hall**

Legislator Hall reported the Plattsburgh International Airport Committee met earlier. Chris Kreig, the Airport Manager, reviewed Resolutions #918 through #926. He also discussed the Upstate Airport Initiative (UAI) with C & S Engineers, Inc. and Volaire Aviation, Inc. (in executive session.)

The next Plattsburgh International Airport Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 27<sup>th</sup> at 5:15 p.m.

### **Public Safety Committee - Legislator Conroy**

Legislator Conroy reported the Public Safety Committee met Monday, November 13<sup>th</sup>. Russell Haag, Deputy Sheriff, and Aaron Lefebvre, Deputy Sergeant and STOP-DWI Coordinator, discussed Resolutions #927 and #928. Dave Marcoux, the Director of Probation, discussed Resolutions #929 and #930. Richelle Gregory, the Director of the Child Advocacy Center, discussed Resolutions #931 through #934. Eric Day, the Director of Emergency Services, discussed Resolutions #935 through #938.

The next Public Safety Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:15 p.m.

### **Transportation Committee - Legislator Timmons**

Legislator Timmons reported the Transportation Committee met Monday, November 13<sup>th</sup>.

Al Rascoe, the Clinton County Highway Superintendent, presented Resolutions #939 through #943 which are on the agenda. These resolutions will award bids and will authorize various contracts for the upcoming year.

Rodney Brown, the Planning Director, and James Bosley, the Clinton County Planning Technician, presented Resolutions #944 through #946 which are on the agenda. These resolutions authorized acceptance of a grant, as well as various Memorandums of Understanding and contracts for the upcoming year.

A short discussion was held and an update was provided on Clinton County Public Transit's solicitation for transit management services. The pros and cons of operating an in-house service were also discussed.

The next Transportation Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 11<sup>th</sup> at 5:15 p.m.

## **LIAISON REPORTS**

### **Community Services Board – Legislator Conroy**

Legislator Conroy reported the Community Services Board meeting was cancelled. He attended

the Substance Abuse Prevention and Recovery of Clinton County (SPARCC) meeting where discussion ensued on reducing the stigma for individuals in recovery (to allow an easier transition back into the workforce), reducing recidivism and the Ryan Leaf presentation sponsored by the District Attorney's Office, which was successful and was well attended by 1,000 individuals.

### **Cooperative Extension – Legislator Timmons**

Legislator Timmons reported Cooperative Extension will meet Tuesday, November 21<sup>st</sup> at 7 p.m.

### **Intercounty Legislative Committee of the Adirondacks – Legislator Waldron**

Legislator Waldron reported she was in Massena, New York on November 16<sup>th</sup>, participating in a tour of a wood pellet manufacturing company. The owner of the company owns the most land in New York State and employs 100 employees.

### **Soil and Water Conservation District - Legislator Timmons and Dyer**

Legislator Timmons reported more cover crops were planted this year than expected to prevent winter runoff. He also reported discussion on replacing/purchasing a new truck with minimal cost to Soil and Water. Mr. Timmons noted some staff members attended the quarterly water quality meeting, where they received training on various water issues.

## **STAFF REPORTS**

### **County Attorney – James Coffey**

James Coffey, the County Attorney, requested an Executive Session to discuss litigation with Empire Chapter Associated Builders and Contractors and Luck Brothers, Inc. regarding projects at Plattsburgh International Airport.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the following Resolutions were unanimously adopted unless otherwise noted:

Resolutions #900 through #920 were approved.

Resolution #921 titled, "Authorizing Rental of Equipment from Various Vendors for Needed Repairs – Plattsburgh International Airport"

Discussion: Resolution passed with a vote of 9-0-1. (Mr. Dame abstained)

Resolutions #922 through #936 were approved.

Resolution #937 titled, "Authorizing 2017 State-Wide Interoperability Communications Formula-Based Grant Application – Emergency Services"

Discussion: Mr. Zurlo reported this is money that will be used to pay the lease cost if approved. Carried (10-0-0).

Resolutions #938 through #956 were approved.

Resolution #957 titled, “Authorizing the Issuance of \$373,412 Serial Bonds of the County of Clinton, New York, to Pay the County’s Share of the Cost of the Reconstruction of the Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting Building at Plattsburgh International Airport, In and For Said County”

Discussion: Mr. Zurlo reported this authorizes the County to maximize utilization of the State Grant. Carried (10-0-0).

Resolutions #958 and #959 were approved.

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

Resolution #960 titled, “Amending Resolution #759 dated October 9, 2013 titled, “Authorizing Various Contracts for the Year 2014 – Treasurer’s Office”

Discussion: Rodney Brown, the Deputy County Administrator, reported this is a five-year term but is listed as a four-year term. Mr. Zurlo noted this is normally an administrative correction supported by back-up, but because the resolution is already bound in the 2013 Proceedings Book, the resolution needs to be amended. Carried (10-0-0).

Resolutions #961 and #962 were approved.

Legislator Hall motioned to enter into Executive Session at 7:33 p.m., seconded by Legislator Keenan. Carried (10-0-0).

Legislator Hall motioned to exit Executive Session at 7:45 p.m., seconded by Legislator Dame. Carried (10-0-0).

There being no further business, Legislator Rosenquest motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:46 p.m., seconded by Legislator Timmons. Carried (10-0-0).

Respectfully submitted,

Toni Moffat  
Executive Secretary to the County Administrator