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Stenographer's minutes of the Regular Session of the Clinton County Legislature held on Wednesday, November 12, 2014 in the Legislative Chambers, 137 Margaret Street, Plattsburgh, New York.

PRESENT: 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
Harry McManus, Area 1
Colin Read, Area 4
Patty Waldron, Area 6

ALSO PRESENT: Michael E. Zurlo, County Administrator
Rodney Brown, Deputy County Administrator
James Coffey, County Attorney
Jeanene Bell, Senior Stenographer

Chairperson Dyer 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 October 22nd Regular Session, seconded by Legislator Beach. (Carried 10-0-0).

Chairperson Dyer asked if anyone wished to address the Legislature.

There being no one 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 Buildings and Grounds Committee met earlier today. The Committee was updated on the progress of the Human Services Center. Resolution #760 has been placed on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee.

Children and Family Services Committee – Legislator Waldron

Legislator Waldron reported the Children and Family Services Committee met Thursday, November 6th at 6:15 p.m.

John Redden, the Commissioner of Social Services, discussed the September, 2014 monthly statistics. Resolutions #761 through #770 have been placed on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 4th at 6:15 p.m.

County Operations Committee – Legislator Read

Legislator Read reported the County Operations Committee met earlier today. It is proposed the County move forward to the next step of the Print Management Services contract.

Legislator Read reported Barbara Foster, the Director of Information Technology, did very good work on locating a contractor for the Wide Area Network (WAN) with savings for the County.

Resolutions #771 through #774 have been placed on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee.

Finance Committee – Legislator Dame

Legislator Dame reported the Finance Committee met Wednesday, November 5th at 5:15 p.m.

Kimberly Davis, the County Treasurer, reviewed sales tax charts which continue to trend in a positive direction and reported the County continues to do extremely well with its Occupancy Tax.

Resolutions #775 through #777 have been placed on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 18th at 5:15 p.m. A meeting is also scheduled for Wednesday, November 19th at 5:15 p.m., if needed. These meetings will be to discuss the 2015 Budget.

Health Committee – Legislator Beach

Legislator Beach reported the Health Committee met Thursday, November 6th at 5:15 p.m.

Legislator Beach reported Peter Trout, the Director of Community Services, reviewed the Director's Report for November, 2014. Mr. Trout offered good financial proposals for the future. Resolutions #778 through #782 are included on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee.

Jerie Reid, the Director of Public Health, reviewed the Health Department Report for the Board of Health meeting of October 20, 2014, the Director's Report of September, 2014, as well as Quarterly Gant Reports. Resolutions #783 through #791 are included on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 4th at 5:15 p.m.

Human Services Committee – Legislator Keenan

Legislator Keenan reported the Human Services Committee met Wednesday, November 5th at 6 p.m.

Steve Bowman, the Director of the Veterans' Service Agency, discussed the proposed homeless veterans' shelter at the Old Stone Barracks, issues with the Veterans' Health Administration and the VISN 2 American Legion VA Medical Task Force. Mr. Bowman reviewed monthly statistics for September, 2014.

Crystal Carter, the Director of Office for the Aging, discussed the 2014-2015 Annual Evaluation and the 2014-2015 Annual Evaluation Corrective Action Plan. She provided a summary report on the Consolidated Area Agency Reporting System. Resolutions #792 through #799 have been placed on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee.

Wendie Bishop, the Nursing Home Administrator, presented Resolutions #800 through #803 which have been placed on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 3rd at 6 p.m.

Personnel Committee – Legislator Gallagher

Legislator Gallagher reported the Personnel Committee met last week. Resolutions #836 through #845 have been polled and are included on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee.

Plattsburgh International Airport Committee – Legislator Langley

Legislator Langley reported the next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 25th at 5:15 p.m.

Public Safety Committee – Legislator Hall

Legislator Hall reported the Public Safety Committee meeting scheduled for Monday, November 10th was cancelled. Resolutions #804 through #811 were polled and are included on the agenda.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 8th at 6:15 p.m.

Legislator Langley reported that he spoke with a Peru firefighter who commented on how important the Fire Training Facility located at Emergency Services Drive has proven to be. Older firefighters have benefited from the facility as well as the younger firefighters. It is amazing all the things they can train for at the facility. The firefighter felt it was money well spent.

Transportation Committee – Legislator McManus

Legislator McManus reported the Transportation Committee meeting scheduled for Monday, November 10th was cancelled.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 8th at 5:15 p.m.

Liaison Reports

Chamber of Commerce – Legislator Read

Legislator Read reported the Strategic Tourism Planning Committee is scheduled to meet Friday, November 14th.

Intercounty – Legislator Langley

Legislator Langley reported the next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 20th in Warren County.

Lake Champlain/Lake George Regional Planning Board – Legislator Langley

Legislator Langley reported that documents for the Lake Champlain/Lake George Regional Planning Board have been signed and returned for payment.

Grievance – Legislator Gallagher

Mr. Zurlo reported Kimberly Kinblom, the Personnel Director, will contact the Personnel Committee on clarification of the Committee's decision on a particular issue.

Workforce Investment – Legislator Read

Legislator Read reported the Workforce Investment Board is scheduled to meet Friday, November 14th. Sylvie Nelson, the President of the Saranac Lake Chamber of Commerce, has been hired as Executive Director of the Workforce Investment Board.

Jury Board – Legislator Dame

Legislator Dame reported the Jury Board met Wednesday, October 22nd. New York State Supreme Court Judge John Lahtinen convened the meeting to reappoint Maribeth Coffey Pfeiffer as the Commissioner of Jurors.

Legislator Dame reported Judge Lahtinen is very pleased with the County's Buildings and Grounds Department and the response time in keeping up the infrastructure.

Staff Reports

County Attorney James Coffey requested an Executive Session to discuss a matter of litigation regarding 11-87 and George Moore, the Rissetto matter and the Sue Castine matter.

Mr. Zurlo requested an Executive Session to discuss a matter of potential litigation between the County and the Town of Plattsburgh.

Chairperson Dyer reported Mark Henry, the Supervisor in the Town of Chazy, was very supportive of the County Operations Committee looking at how chargebacks were handled with the Board of Elections. Mr. Henry feels it was handled fairly.

Chairperson Dyer reported two vacancies exist on the Clinton Community College Board of Trustees. Four names have been provided to the Legislature for consideration. If there is anyone else the Legislature would like to consider, please advise Chairperson Dyer so that a decision can be made to fill the vacancies.

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

Resolutions #760 through #773 were approved.

Resolution #774 titled, "Awarding Request for Proposals (RFPs) for Managed Print Services"

Discussion: Mr. Zurlo reported a considerable amount of work has gone into bringing the County to this point, and Barbara Foster should be commended, along with Purchasing Agent Kimberly Currier and Deputy County Administrator Rodney Brown. Legislator Read reported there will be a considerable savings to the County with the various proposals. Legislator Dame reported Ms. Foster delivered a presentation which showed she did a great deal of work that involved many hours. He stated Ms. Foster is a very impressive department head. (Carried 10-0-0).

Resolutions #775 through #783 were approved.

Resolution #784 titled, "Authorizing Contract with Vicki Driscoll"

Discussion: Mr. Zurlo reported Vicki Driscoll will not be a Clinton County employee when the contract goes into effect. (Carried 10-0-0).

Resolution #785 titled, "Authorizing Contract with Susan Thew"

Discussion: Mr. Zurlo reported Susan Thew is no longer a Clinton County employee. (Carried 10-0-0).

Resolutions #786 through #845 were approved.

Legislator Dame noted that even though he motions the resolutions that come from the Treasurer's Office, he does not necessarily agree with each of them.

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

Resolution #846 was approved.

Chairperson Dyer asked if there was any further business to come before the Board.

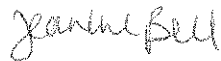
Legislator Gallagher motioned to enter Executive Session at 7:47 p.m. to discuss the above-mentioned matters, seconded by Legislator Beach. (Carried 10-0-0).

Legislator Gallagher motioned to exit Executive Session at 8:16 p.m., seconded by Legislator Dame. (Carried 10-0-0).

Chairperson Dyer asked if there was any further business to come before the Board.

There being no further business, Chairperson Dyer entertained a motion from Legislator Gallagher to adjourn Regular Session at 8:17 p.m., seconded by Legislator Hall. (Carried 10-0-0).

Respectfully submitted,



Jeanene Bell
Senior Stenographer