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December 2, 2014

Stenographer's minutes of the Regular Session of the Clinton County Legislature held Tuesday, November 25, 2014 in the Legislative Chambers, 137 Margaret Street, Plattsburgh, New York.

PRESENT: Jonathan Beach, Area 2
Mark Dame, Area 8
Samuel Dyer, Area 3, Chairperson
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 Zurlo, County Administrator
Rodney Brown, Deputy County Administrator
James Coffey, County Attorney
Katherine Brown, Senior Stenographer

Chairperson Dyer called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Following the pledge of allegiance to the flag, Deputy County Administrator Rodney Brown conducted roll call. All Legislators were present.

Legislator Hall motioned to accept the minutes of the November 12, 2014 Regular Session, seconded by Legislator Keenan. (Carried 10-0-0).

Chairperson Dyer asked if anyone wished to address the Legislature. There being no one present 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 this evening. The development of a Request for Proposals (RFPs) plan for the Human Services Center First Floor Renovation Project was discussed, reducing the cost to the taxpayers and giving some additional options. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 10th at 5:15 p.m.

Children and Family Services Committee – Legislator Waldron

Legislator Waldron reported the Children and Family Services Committee meeting scheduled for Thursday, December 4th has been cancelled.

Finance Committee – Legislator Dame

Legislator Dame reported the Finance Committee met Tuesday, November 18th. The Committee reviewed the 2015 County Budget. A public hearing on the tentative 2015 County Budget is scheduled for Wednesday, December 3rd at 7 p.m. The final adoption of the 2015 County Budget is scheduled for Wednesday, December 10th.

Personnel Committee – Legislator Gallagher

Legislator Gallagher reported the Monday, December 1st meeting of the Personnel Committee has been rescheduled to Wednesday, December 3rd at 6 p.m.

Plattsburgh International Airport Committee – Legislator Langley

Legislator Langley reported the Plattsburgh International Airport Committee met earlier this evening. Resolutions #852 and #853, Resolutions #855 through #861 and Resolution #881 are included on the agenda upon the Committee's recommendation. Resolution #854 has been withdrawn.

Legislator Langley reported work will continue throughout the winter months on the Terminal Building Expansion Project underway at the Plattsburgh International Airport.

Legislator Langley reported Republic Parking System, Inc. discussed its proposal with regard to relocating the car rental agencies closer to the Terminal Building. The Committee also discussed the replacement of two Airport vehicles, a Request for Qualifications (RFQs) for engineering services, as well as a Changer Order Policy for the Terminal Building Expansion Project.

Public Safety Committee – Legislator Hall

Legislator Hall reported the next meeting of the Public Safety Committee is scheduled for Monday, December 8th at 6:15 p.m.

Liaison Reports

Chamber of Commerce – Legislator Read

Legislator Read reported he recently attended a meeting of the Strategic Tourism Planning Committee. Initiatives to raise revenue through Occupancy Tax were discussed.

Community Services – Legislator Beach

Legislator Beach reported earlier today, he attended a Community Services Board meeting. He reported opiate usage is becoming a larger problem in the community. Legislator Beach stated there may be some State funding to help start an Early Intervention Program utilizing the hospital's Emergency Room and the various primary care medical offices for screening. Discussions are underway regarding using the old Schuyler Falls Detention Facility for mental health detoxification.

Board of Health – Legislator Beach

Legislator Beach reported the Clinton County Board of Health met last week. An update was provided by Lori Taylor of the Children with Special Health Care Needs Program. Information regarding the Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB) has been returned for re-evaluation to make sure all demands by the New York State Department of Health have been met.

Intercounty – Legislator Langley

Legislator Langley reported a meeting of the Intercounty Legislative Committee of the Adirondacks was held Thursday, November 20th in Warren County. The 2015 New York State Budget was discussed.

Fred Monroe, the Executive Director of the Adirondack Park Local Government Review Board, was present for the meeting. Resolution #878 has been placed on the agenda as requested by the Committee. The Committee is requesting municipalities pass a similar resolution in counties located within the Adirondack Park.

Mr. Zurlo reported Governor Cuomo will be announcing in mid-December, 2014 as to where the four casinos sites will be located in New York State.

Soil & Water Conservation District – Legislator Read

Legislator Read reported a meeting of the Soil and Water Conservation District Board was held Thursday, November 20th. The Board discussed personnel issues and the reorganization of the office. A briefing on the responsibilities of the County appointees to the Board was provided.

Grievance Committee – Legislator Gallagher

Legislator Gallagher reported a Grievance Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 17th at 10 a.m.

Discipline Review Board – Legislator Hall

Legislator Hall reported a Discipline Review Board meeting was held recently to clarify a previous decision and everything was addressed. Mr. Zurlo indicated Jim Courson communicated the Committee's decision to Emy Pombrio, the Union's Labor Relations Specialist. This was clarification of a previous decision which was communicated to all parties.

Workforce Investment Board – Legislator Read

Legislator Read reported due to a meeting conflict, he was unable to attend a recent meeting of the Workforce Investment Board. Mr. Zurlo will be extending an invitation for the Legislature to meet the new Executive Director in the near future.

Staff Reports

County Attorney James Coffey requested an Executive Session to discuss the Risetto matter and the 11-87/George Moore tax sale matter. Clinton County Treasurer Kimberly Davis will be contacted by phone and will be part of the discussion regarding the 11/87 George Moore tax sale matter.

Chairperson Dyer complimented Plattsburgh International Airport Committee Chairperson James Langley for his part in the press conference held last week at the Plattsburgh International Airport.

Chairperson Dyer reported Legislators John Gallagher, Mark Dame and Colin Read, and possibly Patty Waldron, will be reviewing the resumes for the two vacancies on the Clinton Community College Board of Trustees.

The following Resolutions were approved unless otherwise noted.

Resolutions #847 through #849 were approved.

Resolution #850 titled, "Adopting Full Value (Equalized Rate) for the Apportionment of 2015 Taxes – Legislature"

Legislator Dame motioned to approve the resolution, seconded by Legislator Read.

Discussion:

Mr. Zurlo reiterated because everybody is at 100 percent, the mechanism by which the tax levy is apportioned is the same, and thus the equalized rate is used. Carried (10-0-0).

Resolution #851 titled, "Approving Reclassification of a Permanent, Part-Time Junior Audit Clerk position to a Permanent, Part-Time Account Clerk/Typist Position with Backfill (PCN 3471) – Legislative Office"

Legislator Gallagher motioned to approve the resolution, seconded by Legislator Langley.

Discussion:

Mr. Zurlo stated this position is in the Legislative Office's Auditing Department and is a reclassification in title to allow more flexibility for recruitment. Carried (10-0-0).

Resolution #852 was approved.

Resolution #853 titled, "Authorizing Contract with SolarCity Corporation – Plattsburgh International Airport"

Legislator Langley motioned to approve the resolution, seconded by Legislator McManus.

Discussion:

Mr. Zurlo stated the contract with SolarCity Corporation obligates Clinton County to buy power generated from SolarCity Corporation and, as such, that is why there is a contract cost. However, coupled with the credits for participation in the program, it will result in an annual savings to Clinton County in the amount of \$217,000 annually. Carried (10-0-0).

Resolution #854 titled, "Authorizing Contract with Anixter, Inc. – Plattsburgh International Airport" was withdrawn.

Resolutions #855 through #857 were approved.

Resolution #858 titled, "Authorizing Various Contracts for the Year 2015 – Plattsburgh International Airport"

Legislator Langley motioned to approve the resolution, seconded by Legislator Dame.

Discussion:

Legislator Hall noted the Plattsburgh International Airport Committee requested the resolution include the names of the other vendors who were considered for the contract. Carried (10-0-0).

Resolutions #859 through #860 were approved.

Resolution #861 titled, "Establishing the Change Order Policy for the Passenger Terminal Expansion (Phase II) Project – Legislature"

Legislator Langley motioned to approve the resolution, seconded by Legislator McManus.

Discussion:

Legislator Gallagher asked if this is the amended resolution from the Plattsburgh International Airport Committee meeting earlier today. Mr. Zurlo replied yes, and stated he reviewed the amendments with Mr. Brown. Carried (10-0-0).

Resolutions #862 through #868 were approved.

Resolution #869 titled, "Awarding Bids for Aluminum Traffic Sign Panels for the Years 2015 and 2016 – Highway Department"

Discussion:

Legislator Beach asked if it is typical for the bids to come from outside of the area. Mr. Zurlo replied yes, and stated some of the products are specialized products. Carried (10-0-0).

Resolution #870 titled, "Rejecting Bids and Authorizing the Purchase of Retro-Reflective Sheeting, Films and Application Tapes for the Years 2015 and 2016 – Highway Department"

Legislator McManus motioned to approve the resolution, seconded by Legislator Beach.

Discussion:

Mr. Zurlo stated the reason for the rejection is part of the ability to piggyback on other municipal contracts. The Highway Department was able to use the contract of another county in New York State.

Resolutions #871 through #875 were approved.

Resolution #876 titled, "Authorizing Distribution of Mortgage Tax for the Period April 1, 2014 through September 30, 2014 - County Clerk"

Legislator Read motioned to approve the resolution, seconded by Legislator Waldron.

Discussion:

Legislator Read asked if these are calculated based on the mortgages in the municipalities. Mr. Zurlo replied yes. Carried (10-0-0).

Resolutions #877 and #878 were approved.

Chairperson Dyer entertained a motion from Legislator Hall to Waive Rule 13.2, seconded by Legislator Beach. Carried (10-0-0).

Resolution #879 was approved.

Resolutions #880 titled, "Authorizing Contract with Symquest Group, Inc. – Legislature"

Legislator Read motioned to approve the resolution, seconded by Legislator Keenan.

Discussion:

Mr. Zurlo stated Mr. Brown, the County Purchasing Agent Kimberly Currier and the County Director of Information Technology Barbara Foster have done a considerable amount of work on this project. Mr. Brown stated this resolution represents the actual contract the County will enter into with Symquest Group, Inc. Symquest Group, Inc. has visited each County Department to determine what multi-function print device needs to be in place for each Department. He stated some equipment will be removed and replaced with multi-function print devices to the maximum extent possible. The rates to copy and print are so much lower on the multi-function print devices. Mr. Brown stated user guidelines

will be developed. Each individual will have a code assigned which will help to monitor the number of copies being made both in black/white and in color.

Resolution #881 titled, "Authorizing the Purchasing Agent to Solicit Bids for the Construction Rehabilitation of Nose Docks #4 and #5 – Customs and Border Protection Renovations Project – Plattsburgh International Airport"

Legislator Langley motioned to approve the resolution, seconded by Legislator Hall.

Discussion:

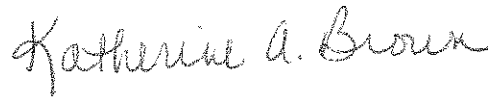
Legislator Langley stated the Federal Government is paying for the remodeling of Nose Docks #4 and #5. Carried (10-0-0).

Chairperson Dyer entertained a motion from Legislator Gallagher to enter into Executive Session at 7:37 p.m., seconded by Legislator Keenan. Carried (10-0-0).

Legislator Gallagher motioned to exit Executive Session and return to Regular Session at 8:20 p.m., seconded by Legislator Read. Carried (10-0-0).

There being no further business to come before the Legislature, Legislator Gallagher motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:21 p.m., seconded by Legislator Hall. Carried (10-0-0).

Respectfully submitted,



Katherine Brown
Senior Stenographer