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STATE OF NEW YORK)

October 30, 2018

Stenographer's minutes of the Regular Session of the Clinton County Legislature held Wednesday, October 24, 2018 in the Legislative Chambers, 137 Margaret Street, Plattsburgh, New York.

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

EXCUSED: Patty Waldron, Area 6

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

Chairperson McManus called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Following the pledge of allegiance to the flag, County Administrator Michael Zurlo conducted roll call. Legislator Waldron was excused.

Legislator Henry motioned to accept the minutes of the October 10, 2018 Regular Session, seconded by Legislator Hall. Carried (9-0-1).

Chairperson McManus stated there is a public hearing regarding the proposed Local Law #3 of 2018 titled, "A Local Law to Establish an Office of Public Defender". Mr. Zurlo, the Clerk of the Board, read the notice of public hearing.

Legislator Conroy motioned to open the public hearing at 7:03 p.m., seconded by Legislator Keenan. Carried (9-0-1).

Chairperson McManus asked if anyone present wished to address the Board regarding this Local Law.

There being no one who wished to address the Legislature, Legislator Dame motioned to close the public hearing at 7:04 p.m., seconded by Legislator Hall. Carried (9-0-1).

Chairperson McManus asked if anyone wished to address the Legislature.

Sydney Sue Garrant, the Clinton County Director of Capital District Off-Track Betting (OTB), provided an update of the administrative actions of the Capital District OTB from the September Board meeting. Her report is attached hereto as part of the minutes.

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

## **Committee Reports**

### **Buildings and Grounds – Legislator Timmons**

Legislator Timmons stated the next Buildings and Grounds Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 14<sup>th</sup> at 5:15 p.m.

### **Children and Family Services – Legislator Henry**

Legislator Henry stated the next Children and Family Services Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:15 p.m.

### **Economic Development and County Operations – Legislator Conroy**

Legislator Conroy stated the next Economic Development and County Operations Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 14<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m.

### **Finance – Legislator Rosenquest**

Legislator Rosenquest stated the next Finance Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:15 p.m. Budget meetings have been scheduled for Thursday, November 15<sup>th</sup> and Friday, November 16<sup>th</sup> at 5:15 p.m. to review and discuss the 2019 Recommended Budget.

**Health – Legislator Waldron**

Mr. Zurlo stated the Health Committee was polled on Resolution #832 on October 19<sup>th</sup> which has been placed on the agenda.

The next Health Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 13<sup>th</sup> at 5:15 p.m.

**Human Services – Legislator Keenan**

Legislator Keenan stated the next Human Services Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 7<sup>th</sup> at 5:15 p.m.

**Personnel – Legislator Dame**

Legislator Dame stated the next Personnel Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:15 p.m.

**Plattsburgh International Airport – Legislator Hall**

Legislator Hall stated the Plattsburgh International Airport Committee met earlier. Chris Kreig, the Airport Director, provided an airline update and discussed staffing and Taxi Cab Standards/Request for Quotes (RFQs).

Resolutions #833 through #844 have been placed on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee. Resolution #850 has been placed on the agenda under Waive Rule 13.2. Resolutions #840 and #841 have been revised by the Committee to reflect a period change from three years to one year.

The next Plattsburgh International Airport Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 28<sup>th</sup> at 5:15 p.m.

**Public Safety – Legislator Beach**

Legislator Beach stated the Public Safety Committee was polled on Resolution #845 which has been placed on the agenda.

The next Public Safety Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:15 p.m.

**Transportation – Legislator Timmons**

Legislator Timmons stated Resolution #846 was approved at the October 9<sup>th</sup> Transportation Committee meeting and has been placed on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee, as well as Resolution #849 under Waive Rule 13.2.

The next Transportation Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 19<sup>th</sup> at 5:15 p.m.

**Liaison Reports**

**Clinton Community College – Legislators Dame and Rosenquest**

Legislator Dame stated he attended the Board meeting last night and reported enrollment is not as predicted. Chairperson McManus inquired what the gap was. Legislator Dame replied enrollment was down by 100 students.

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

Legislator Conroy stated the Community Services Board met on Wednesday, October 17<sup>th</sup> and discussed the Mobile Crisis Team, whose main goal is to reduce unnecessary emergency room visits by getting resources to individuals before situations escalate.

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

Legislator Timmons stated Cooperative Extension met last night, and after 31 years, Amy Ivy is retiring. Mr. Timmons was excited to report Ms. Ivy's replacement will be beginning in January 2019, as well as two new Board Members.

### **Discipline Review – Legislators Rosenquest, Hall and Waldron**

Legislator Hall stated there are four grievances to review.

### **Lake Champlain/Lake George Regional Planning Board – Legislator Keenan**

Legislator Keenan stated the next Lake Champlain/Lake George Regional Planning Board is scheduled for Thursday, November 29, 2018.

### **Staff Reports**

#### **County Attorney - James Coffey**

Mr. Coffey requested an executive session to discuss reimbursement to the Lake Placid Police Department, litigation involving Champlain Centers and the Town of Plattsburgh and Murnane Building Contractors, Inc.

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

Resolutions #831 through #848 were approved.

Legislator Keenan motioned to Waive Rule 13.2, seconded by Legislator Rosenquest. Carried (9-0-1).

Resolutions #849 and #850 were approved.

Chairperson McManus extended an invitation to the Legislators to attend a press event tomorrow, Thursday, October 25<sup>th</sup> at 2 p.m. to announce the partnership between the County, the Town of Plattsburgh and The Development Corporation (TDC) for the redevelopment of the former Clinton County Airport property and the fact that the three entities are applying for an Economic Development Agency Grant.

Mr. McManus stated the press conference will be at a site immediately adjacent to where the former County Airport Terminal Building was located.

Legislator Hall motioned to enter into Executive Session at 7:38 p.m., seconded by Legislator Rosenquest. Carried (9-0-1).

Legislator Rosenquest motioned to exit Executive Session at 8:18 p.m., seconded by Legislator Keenan. Carried (9-0-1).

There being no further business, Legislator Rosenquest motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:18 p.m., seconded by Legislator Hall. Carried (9-0-1).

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Toni Moffat". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Toni Moffat

Executive Secretary to the County Administrator



To: Clinton County Legislators and Administrators  
From: Sydney Sue Garrant, Clinton County Director, Capital District OTB Board  
Date: 10/24/2018  
Re: September OTB Board Meeting and Facility Update

**Summary Points and Administrative Actions:**

(Capital District OTB includes 17 Counties – Albany, Clinton, Columbia, Cortland, Essex, Franklin, Fulton, Greene, Herkimer, Madison, Montgomery, Oneida, Rensselaer, City of Schenectady, St. Lawrence, Warren, and Washington)

1. Clinton County/Plattsburgh Branch Facility is up, after the first 7 months ending July 31, 2018 (compared to 2017's first 7 months), \$53,776.00 !!
  
2. Clinton County's Internet waging from August 31, 2017 to August 31, 2018 is down \$3770.
  
3. Saratoga Thoroughbred Racing Season
  - A. Capital District OTB Handle was up \$644,747 over last year (2.22%)
  - B. Capital Internet Handle was up \$1.9 million over last year

4. Capital District OTB Handle for the first 7 months of 2018 (ending July 31, 2018) was \$84,025,432, NOT including the Saratoga Meet.

5. Capital OTB's Operating Expenses were down more than \$1million over 2017 because of branch closures, new leases/lease renewals, retirements, and re-structuring of the Administrative staff.

6. Plattsburgh Branch, under the leadership of Lisa Letourneau, has received multiple Outstanding ratings this year and as of 9/24/18, has paid total cash disbursements to Clinton County of \$23,994.

7. Update on Sports Betting.