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February 11, 2022

Stenographer's minutes of the Regular Session of the Clinton County Legislature held Wednesday, February 9, 2022 in the Legislative Chambers, 137 Margaret Street, Plattsburgh, New York.

PRESENT: David Bezio, Area 4
Calvin Castine, Area 1
Robert Hall, Area 10
Mark Henry, Chairperson, Area 3
Wendell Hughes, Area 8
Joshua Kretser, Area 9
Francis Peryea, Area 2
Richard Potiker, Area 5
Rob Timmons, Area 7
Patty Waldron, Area 6

ALSO PRESENT: Michael E. Zurlo, County Administrator
Kim Kinblom, Deputy County Administrator
Jacqueline Kelleher, County Attorney
Debra Tackett, Interim Public Health Director

Chairperson Henry called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

Michael Zurlo, the County Administrator, conducted roll call.

Legislator Hall motioned to accept the minutes of the January 26, 2022 Regular Session, seconded by Legislator Timmons. Carried (10-0-0).

Chairperson Henry asked if anyone wished to address the Legislature on any issue.

Beth Ashabranner of 20 Lynde Street, Plattsburgh, expressed her concern with the Clinton County Health Department, COVID-19 vaccinations and discussed the New World Order United Nations Agenda 21/2023 Mission Goals (A handout was provided and made part of the minutes.)

Tiffany Davies of 1878 State Route 22B, Morrisonville, expressed her concern with the information the people of Clinton County receive regarding COVID-19 cases and vaccinations. Ms. Davies stated she has submitted several Freedom of Information Law (FOIL) requests to the Health Department. Ms. Davies stated she requested data on all COVID-19 cases in the County including hospitalizations, vaccination status and deaths.

Jerika Manning of 326 Barcomb Road, Mooers, expressed her concern with the drains being replaced on School Street in the Town of Mooers, in which some residents have their sewage tied into these storm drains.

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

Buildings and Grounds Committee – Legislator Bezio

Legislator Bezio reported the Buildings and Grounds Committee has not met since the last Regular Session.

The next Buildings and Grounds Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Monday, February 14th at 4:30 p.m.

Children and Family Services Committee – Legislator Potiker

Legislator Potiker reported the Children and Family Services Committee meeting scheduled for Tuesday, February 1st was cancelled.

John Redden, the Commissioner of Social Services, provided an update regarding the increase in food stamps being issued over the past three years:

- In 2019, \$14,512,103 in food stamps were issued (which is average).
- In 2020, \$21,893,020 in food stamps were issued.
- In 2021, \$31,016,351 in food stamps were issued.

He noted caseloads have only increased by a handful of cases.

This increase in food stamps being issued is a result of the State/Federal Government increasing the amount issued to individuals/families to the maximum levels. For example, an individual that was eligible for \$20 per month for food stamps in 2019 was increased to approximately \$120 per month, regardless of their income. This will be discussed in more detail at the next scheduled Committee meeting in March.

The Committee was polled on Resolution #62 on the agenda.

The next Children and Family Services Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, March 1st at 5:15 p.m.

Economic Development and County Operations Committee – Legislator Waldron

Legislator Waldron reported the Economic Development and County Operations Committee met earlier.

Glen Cutter, the Director of Planning, was present to discuss a resolution, “Authorizing Applications for New York State Agriculture and Markets County Agriculture and Farmland Protection Planning Grants.”

David Randall, the Director of Information Technology, was also present to discuss the resolution, “Authorizing Payment of Membership Dues” and a discussion on Information Technology’s Use of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds.

Resolutions #63 through #66 have been placed on the agenda.

The next Economic Development and County Operations Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, March 9th at 4:00 p.m.

Finance Committee – Legislator Timmons

Legislator Timmons reported the Finance Committee met on Wednesday, February 2nd.

Kimberly Davis, the County Treasurer, was present to discuss the resolution “Authorizing Various Ongoing Contracts with Abstract Companies” as well as several discussion topics including 2021 Sales Tax Charts, 2021 Sales Tax Distribution, Total Sales Tax Comparison 2017-2021, 2022 Sales Tax Charts, 2021 Occupancy Tax and In Rem Foreclosure.

Sean Lukas and Bill Meyers, of Casella Waste Management of NY, Inc., were also present to continue discussion on Clinton County Convenience Stations.

Resolutions #67 and #68 have been placed on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee.

The next Finance Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, March 2nd at 5:15 p.m.

Health Committee – Legislator Hughes

Legislator Hughes reported the Health Committee met on Wednesday, February 2nd.

Debra Tackett, the Interim Director of Public Health, was present to discuss the Grant Quarterly Report for the 4th Quarter – 2021, the Health Department Report – January, 2022, the Public Health Connection Newsletter – January, 2022, the WIC Newsletter January – March, 2022, as well as several Resolutions including “Authorizing Contracts with Various Veterinary Offices” and “Authorizing Creating Breastfeeding Friendly Communities Grant Acceptance Amendment and Extension.”

Richelle Gregory, the Director of Community Services, was also present to discuss several resolutions including “Authorizing New York State System of Care (SOC) Pilot Community System of Care (SOC) Mini-Grant Grant Acceptance” and “Authorizing Contract Amendment with Hitachi Capital America Corporation.”

Ms. Tackett was also present to provide a COVID-19 update. Ms. Tackett reported the case numbers are going down as there were only 102 cases over the weekend of February 5-6th. On Monday, February 7th there were 43 and Tuesday, February 8th there were 44. Ms. Tackett reported Clinton County still has the highest positivity rate in the State. The positivity rate has declined dramatically to 11 percent.

Ms. Tackett reported the COVID-19 vaccination clinics held at the local school districts will be completed on Wednesday, February 16th. The vaccination clinics held on Thursdays, at Clinton Community College, are being moved back to the Health Department starting February 17th.

Ms. Tackett reported as of Monday, February 7th, in Clinton County 76.7 percent of the population has at least received the first dose of the COVID-19 vaccination and 71 percent are fully vaccinated. Of these percentages, 42.9 percent of 5-11 year olds have received one dose and 34.8 percent have received two doses, 76.2 percent of 12-18 year olds have received one dose, and 71.3 percent have received two doses. Lastly, 99 percent of 65-74 year olds have received one dose and 95.9 percent have received two doses.

Resolutions #69 through #78 have been placed on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee.

The next Health Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, March 2nd at 4:15 p.m.

Human Services Committee – Legislator Peryea

Legislator Peryea reported the Human Services Committee met on Tuesday, February 1st.

Wendie Bishop, the Nursing Home Administrator, was present to discuss the resolution “Amending Resolution #845 dated November 10, 2021 titled, “Authorizing Various Contracts for the Year 2022.”

Darleen Collins, the Director of Office for the Aging, was present to discuss three resolutions including “Approving Appointments to the Office for the Aging Advisory Committee”, “Authorizing Contract with North Country Home Services, Inc.” and “Authorizing Contract with The Research Foundation of SUNY.”

Kevin Leboeuf, the Director of the Veterans’ Service Agency, was also present to discuss Monthly Statistics for November and December, 2021 and January, 2022 and Military Service and Social Security as well as Resolution “Authorizing Payment of Membership Dues.”

Resolutions #79 through #83 have been placed on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee.

The next Human Services Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, March 1st at 4:15 p.m.

Personnel Committee – Legislator Henry

Legislator Henry reported the Personnel Committee met on Monday, February 7th.

Resolutions will be placed on the agenda for the Wednesday, February 23rd Regular Session upon the recommendation of the Committee.

The next Personnel Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Monday, March 7th, at 5:00 p.m.

Plattsburgh International Airport Committee – Legislator Hall

Legislator Hall reported the Plattsburgh International Airport Committee has not met since the last Regular Session.

The Committee was polled on Resolution #84 on the agenda.

The next Plattsburgh International Airport Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, February 23rd at 4:00 p.m.

Public Safety Committee – Legislator Castine

Legislator Castine reported he met yesterday, February 8th with two representatives from the New York State Police (NYSP) and there will be a meeting on February 23rd at Clinton Community College to discuss recruitment efforts, as a recruitment test is coming up. Legislator Castine stated the starting salary is \$58,443 and increases to \$82,677 after one year. Those interested can visit joinstatepolice.ny.gov for more information.

Legislator Castine reported the Public Safety Committee met on Monday, February 7th.

Major Joel Desso was present to discuss the Purchase of a Full-Body Scanner as well as two resolutions including, “Authorizing Payment of Membership Dues.”

David Marcoux, the Director of Probation, was also present to discuss the resolution “Authorizing Contract with Post Residential Placement Program.”

Jami Rock, the Administrative Assistant at the Child Advocacy Center (CAC), was also present to discuss resolution, “Authorizing New York State Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS) Grant Acceptance.”

Eric Day, the Director of Emergency Services, was also present to discuss two resolutions including, “Authorizing Contract with Globalstar” and “Amending Resolution #513 dated July 14, 2021 titled, “Authorizing FY2018 State Homeland Security Grant Program Extension.”

Justin Meyer, the Administrator of Indigent Defendants, was also present to discuss the Appointment of a Treatment Court Attorney and compensation of Counsel in excess of statutory limits.

Resolutions #85 through #90 have been placed on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee.

The next Public Safety Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Monday, March 7th at 4:00 p.m.

Transportation Committee – Legislator Kretser

Legislator Kretser reported the Transportation Committee has not met since the last Regular Session.

The Committee was polled on Resolutions #91 and #92 on the agenda.

The next Transportation Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Monday, February 14th at 5:15 p.m.

LIAISON REPORTS

Board of Health – Legislator Potiker

Legislator Potiker reported he attended his first Board of Health meeting on Monday, January 31st.

Chamber of Commerce – Legislator Potiker

Legislator Potiker reported the Strategic Tourism Planning Committee was cancelled on Friday, February 4th and the next meeting is scheduled for Friday, March 4th.

Cooperative Extension - Legislator Timmons

Legislator Timmons reported the next meeting is Tuesday, February 15th.

Intercounty of the Adirondacks – Legislator Waldron

Ms. Waldron stated the next meeting is in Fulton County on February 24th. Ms. Waldron reported Clinton County will now be chairing Intercounty of the Adirondacks starting at the next meeting and thanked Mr. Zurlo for lending her staff in preparation of these meetings.

STAFF REPORTS

County Attorney – Jacqueline Kelleher, Esq.

Ms. Kelleher did not have a report.

County Administrator – Michael Zurlo

Mr. Zurlo reported Steve Acquario, the Executive Director of New York State Association of Counties (NYSAC), is testifying before the State Legislature to discuss NYSAC's response to the State budget. The budget is starting from a far better position than it has in years past. There are a few high level issues that will be taking up a lot of NYSAC's attention including authorizing the local share of sales tax to be automatic as opposed to being reauthorized every three years, ensuring the sales tax diversions for Aid and Incentives for Municipalities (AIM) goes away and the sales tax diversion on the Distressed Hospital Fund, if not eliminated, is tied to the Pandemic so it is not an ongoing occurrence. Mr. Zurlo reported there was a NYSAC Board meeting this week to finalize Mr. Acquario's testimony and they are working hard.

Secondly, Mr. Zurlo reported Governor Kathy Hochul announced today, February 9th, that the mask mandate for businesses will end at midnight. As such, a decision will need to be made upon the Legislature before the meeting adjourns.

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

Resolution #62 was approved.

Resolution #63 titled, "Approving Appointments to the Strategic Tourism Planning Committee" was motioned by Legislator Waldron and seconded by Legislator Potiker. Carried (9-1-0).

Discussion: Legislator Castine noted the Committee did not come up with a representative from his legislative area so he will be voting no due to the Norther Tier not being included. Legislator Hall asked why no one from Legislator Castine's area was included to which Mr. Zurlo replied this list of individuals comes from the North Country Chamber of Commerce and recommended Legislator Potiker address it at the next Chamber of Commerce meeting.

Resolution #64 was approved.

Resolution #65 titled, "Authorizing Applications for New York State Agriculture and Markets County Agriculture and Farmland Protection Planning Grants" was motioned by Legislator Waldron and seconded by Legislator Potiker. Carried (10-0-0).

Discussion: Mr. Zurlo stated this does not expend any money and should the County receive an affirmative determination on this application then a subsequent request will go before the Economic Development and County Operations Committee to see if it is something the County would like to move forward with.

Resolutions #66 through #90 were approved

Resolution #91 titled, "Authorizing a Lease-Purchase Agreement for the Purchase of a 2021 Hitachi ZW180-6 Wheel Loader" was motioned by Legislator Kretser and seconded by Legislator Bezio. Carried (10-0-0).

Discussion: Mr. Zurlo stated this was approved in the 2022 Adopted Budget and is paid for by Consolidated Local Streets and Highway Improvement Program (CHIPS) funds and they plan to purchase this over a five-year cycle.

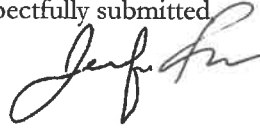
Resolutions #92 through #95 were approved.

Mr. Zurlo reported Governor Hochul announced today, February 9th, the State-wide mask mandate is ending effective tomorrow, February 10th, for public-facing businesses. The announcement also gave authority to local Governments to continue if they desire. Therefore, Clinton County has several options including entertaining a local law enforcing a mandate in Clinton County, continuing to have domain over County facilities with exclusions of Health facilities, Nursing Homes, Transit facilities, Airport and Correctional facilities, or remove the mask mandate where applicable in the Government Center complex.

Legislator Waldron motioned to agree with the removal of the mask mandate and follow New York State, and was seconded by Legislator Hall. Mr. Zurlo stated anyone that still feels comfortable wearing a mask may do so but it will not be a requirement. Mr. Zurlo noted the Court System on the 3rd floor of the Government Center makes their own rules regarding mask policies. Legislator Hall asked if those who are not vaccinated are required to wear a mask and Mr. Zurlo replied there is no determination of vaccination status. All Legislators were in agreement to follow the State's lifting of the mask mandate.

There being no further business to come before the Legislature, Legislator Hughes motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:11 p.m., seconded by Legislator Peryea. Carried (10-0-0).

Respectfully submitted

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Jennifer E. Favro".

Jennifer E. Favro
Senior Typist

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NEW WORLD ORDER

UN Agenda 21/2030 Mission Goals



One World Government

One World cashless Currency

One World Central Bank

One World Military

The end of national sovereignty

The end of ALL privately owned property

The end of the family unit

Depopulation, control of population growth and population density

Mandatory multiple vaccines

Universal basic income (austerity)

Microchipped society for purchasing, travel, tracking and controlling

Implementation of a world Social Credit System (like China has)

Trillions of appliances hooked into the 5G monitoring system (Internet of Things)

Government raised children

Government owned and controlled schools, Colleges, Universities

The end of private transportation, owning cars, etc.

All businesses owned by government/corporations

The restriction of nonessential air travel

Human beings concentrated into human settlement zones, cities

The end of irrigation

The end of private farms and grazing livestock

The end of single family homes

Restricted land use that serves human needs

The ban of natural non synthetic drugs and naturopathic medicine

The end of fossil fuels