# COUNTY OF CLINTON) :SS STATE OF NEW YORK)

May 29, 2025

Stenographer's minutes of the Regular Session of the Clinton County Legislature held Wednesday, May 28, 2025 in the Legislative Chambers, 137 Margaret Street, Plattsburgh, New York.

PRESENT:

David Bezio, Area 4

Robert Hall, Area 10

Mark Henry, Chairperson, Area 3

Joshua Kretser, Area 9 Paul Lamoy, Area 8 Kevin Randall, Area 5 Patty Waldron, Area 6

EXCUSED:

Calvin Castine, Area 1 Francis Peryea, Area 2

Rob Timmons, Area 7

ALSO PRESENT:

Kim Kinblom, Deputy County Administrator

Jacqueline Kelleher, County Attorney

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

Kim Kinblom, the Deputy County Administrator, conducted roll call. Messrs. Castine, Peryea and Timmons asked to be excused.

Legislator Randall motioned to accept the minutes of the May 14, 2025 Regular Session, seconded by Legislator Bezio. Carried (7-0-3).

Chairperson Henry asked if anyone wished to address the Legislature.

Dennis Cheney, of Rugar Street, stated this is the first Legislative meeting he has attended and he has some future plans to think about and wanted to get an idea on how things transpired.

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

## Buildings and Grounds Committee - Legislator Lamoy

Legislator Lamoy stated the Buildings and Grounds Committee has not met since the last Regular Session.

Resolution #385 has been polled and placed on the agenda upon the Committee's recommendation.

The next Buildings and Grounds Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Monday, June  $9^{th}$  at 4:00 p.m.

# Children and Family Services Committee - Deputy County Administrator Kim Kinblom

On behalf of Legislator Peryea, Ms. Kinblom stated the Children and Family Services Committee has not met since the last Regular Session.

The next Children and Family Services Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, June 3rd at 5:00 p.m.

# Economic Development and County Operations Committee - Legislator Waldron

Legislator Waldron stated the Economic Development and County Operations Committee has not met since the last Regular Session.

The next Economic Development and County Operations Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, June  $11^{th}$  at 4:00 p.m.

# Finance Committee - Deputy County Administrator Kim Kinblom

On behalf of Legislator Timmons, Ms. Kinblom stated the Finance Committee has not met since the last Regular Session.

She noted the Tobacco Settlement decision letters were sent out to recipients.

The next Finance Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, June 4th at 5:15 p.m.

#### Health Committee - Legislator Bezio

Legislator Bezio stated the Health Committee has not met since the last Regular Session.

The next Health Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, June 4th at 4:00 p.m.

#### Human Services Committee - Legislator Randall

Legislator Randall stated the Human Services Committee has not met since the last Regular Session.

The next Human Services Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 4:15 p.m.

#### Personnel Committee - Legislator Henry

Legislator Henry stated the Personnel Committee has not met since the last Regular Session.

The next Personnel Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Monday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> at 5:00 p.m.

## Plattsburgh International Airport Committee - Legislator Hall

Legislator Hall reported the Plattsburgh International Airport Committee met earlier.

Chris Kreig, the Airport Director, was present to discuss several resolutions including, "Authorizing Contract with Milton Cat" and "Authorizing Contract with Taylor Rental," as well as, an airline update, a tenant update and a personnel update.

Resolutions #386 through #397 have been placed on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee.

The next Plattsburgh International Airport Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, June 25th at 4:00 p.m.

## Public Safety Committee - Deputy County Administrator Kim Kinblom

On behalf of Legislator Castine, Ms. Kinblom stated the Public Safety Committee has not met since the last Regular Session.

The next Public Safety Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Monday, June 2nd at 4:00 p.m.

## Transportation Committee - Legislator Kretser

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

The next Transportation Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Monday, June 9th at 5:15 p.m.

#### LIAISON REPORTS

## Board of Health - Legislator Lamoy

Legislator Lamoy reported the Board of Health met on Monday, May 17th and discussed the Clinton

County Health Fine Policy, the Communicable Disease Report and the Rabies Report, which he is happy to report that Clinton County is rabies-free.

## Chamber of Commerce - Legislator Kretser

Legislator Kretser reported the Chamber continues to actively interact with Congresswoman Elise Stefanik and our Senators on hoped for inclusion of the County's border airports customs language in the major Reconciliation Bill now under development in the House of Representatives.

He noted with tariffs, the Chamber continues its active bi-national messaging of immediate interaction regarding tariff impacts on our region. He stated the Chamber has joined with the U.S. Chamber advocating for three forms of interim relief while various trade talks continue with the border.

Legislator Kretser reported Chamber staff met recently with the Customs and Border Protection Port Director in Champlain, New York to discuss staffing operations and numbers.

He noted, in regards to their mission, the Chamber recently organized and hosted an important visit by a group of Quebec companies led by former Quebec Premiere Jean Charest.

Lastly, he stated in Rouses Point, the General Services Administration (GSA) has confirmed the construction of the new U.S. border facility will commence in June. Legislator Kretser noted the replacement of the Canadian LaColle complex has begun and will occur in stages over the next two years.

## Clinton Community College - Legislator Bezio

Legislator Bezio reported Clinton Community Day held was last week and was attended by several legislators.

## Soil and Water Conservation - Legislators Bezio and Timmons

Legislator Bezio stated there was a tire pick up at the end of April with almost 1,000 tires received. He reported some recent Federal pauses have had local effects, payments have been delayed but have now resumed. He also stated the Ashtree Grant is close to execution.

#### STAFF REPORTS

#### County Attorney - Jacqueline Kelleher, Esq.

Ms. Kelleher did not have a report.

#### Deputy County Administrator - Kim Kinblom

Ms. Kinblom reminded the Legislature if they have not yet submitted their financial disclosures to please do so.

#### Chairperson's Report

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

Resolutions #385 through #401 were approved.

There being no further business to come before the Legislature, Legislator Bezio motioned to adjourn the meeting at 5:33 p.m., seconded by Legislator Hall. Carried (7-0-3).

Respectfully submitted,

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Executive Secretary to the County Administrator

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