

COUNTY OF CLINTON)  
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STATE OF NEW YORK)

August 15, 2024

Stenographer's minutes of the Regular Session of the Clinton County Legislature held  
Wednesday, August 14, 2024 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  
Joshua Kretser, Area 9  
Francis Peryea, Area 2  
Kevin Randall, Area 5  
Rob Timmons, Area 7  
Patty Waldron, Area 6

EXCUSED: Wendell Hughes, Area 8

ALSO PRESENT: Michael Zurlo, County Administrator  
Kim Kinblom, Deputy County Administrator  
Gary Favro, Assistant County Attorney

Resolutions #628 through #630 have been polled and placed on the agenda.

The next Buildings and Grounds Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Monday, September 16<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m.

### **Children and Family Services Committee – Legislator Peryea**

Legislator Peryea stated the Children and Family Services Committee met on Tuesday, August 6<sup>th</sup>.

Commissioner of Social Services Christine Peters was present to discuss several resolutions including, “Authorizing Contract with Clinton County Mental Health and Addiction Services” and “Authorizing American Rescue Plan Act Adult Protective Services Grant Extension.”

Commissioner Peters also provided updates on the Eligibility Verification Assistant (EVA), homelessness statistics, the employee lounge, the Warming Center, monthly statistics and family-centered case management allocation.

Resolutions #631 through #636 were placed on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee.

The next Children and Family Services Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, September 3<sup>rd</sup> at 5:15 p.m.

### **Economic Development and County Operations Committee – Legislator Waldron**

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

Molly Ryan, the Economic Development Director, was present to discuss the resolution, “Authorizing Purchase of Advertisement with Conway Data, Inc.”

Ms. Ryan also provided an update on the Clinton Business Innovation Gateway, TDC, CIDC/BOCES and the County of Clinton Industrial Development Agency.

The Committee also discussed the resolution, “Authorizing Countywide Resiliency Program Grant Acceptance.”

Resolutions #637 through #640 have been placed on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee.

The next Economic Development and County Operations Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, September 11<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m.

### **Finance Committee – Legislator Timmons**

Legislator Timmons stated the Finance Committee met on Wednesday, August 7<sup>th</sup>.

Sara Dayton and Seth Hennard of Lumsden & McCormick presented on the 2023 Audit.

Ken Knelly, the Administrator in Charge of Clinton Community College, presented the College’s Proposed 2024-2025 Budget to the Committee. Resolution #569 titled, “Authorizing the Clerk of the

Committee.

The next Personnel Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Thursday, September 5<sup>th</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 also present to discuss several resolutions including, “Authorizing the Purchasing Agent to Solicit Bids for the Veterans’ Service Agency Van Garage Project” and “Authorizing Contract with Murnane Building Contractors, Inc.”

Beta Technologies, Inc. also presented to the Committee.

Resolution #679 has been placed on the agenda from the Committee’s meeting of Wednesday, July 17<sup>th</sup>, as well as, Resolutions #680 through #689.

Resolution #710 has also been added to the agenda under Waive Rule 13.2.

The next Plattsburgh International Airport Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, September 25<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m.

Legislator Hall provided an update regarding Contour Airlines and the Essential Air Service (EAS) Contract. Beginning in January, Contour Airlines will be flying from Plattsburgh to Washington Dulles Airport and will have connecting flights with American Airlines, United Airlines and Alaskan Airlines. Legislator Hall stated he is very pleased and is looking forward to this service for Plattsburgh International.

### **Public Safety Committee – Legislator Castine**

Legislator Castine stated the Public Safety Committee met on Monday, August 5<sup>th</sup>.

Dave Marcoux, the Probation Director, was present to discuss the resolution, “Authorizing County Pre-Trial Services Grant Acceptance.”

Jami Rock, the Administrative Assistant at the Child Advocacy Center, was present to discuss the resolution, “Authorizing Various Contracts for Conference Speakers.”

Eric Day, the Director of Emergency Services, was present to discuss the resolutions, “Approving Appointments to the Fire Advisory Board” and “Authorizing FY2023 Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services Domestic Terrorism Prevention Grant Program Application and Acceptance.”

Chad Deans, the County Coroner, was also present to discuss the proposed morgue cooling unit, the Deputy Coroner position and an update on the proposed regional Forensic Facility in Warren County.

Resolutions #690 through #697 have been placed on the agenda upon the recommendation of the Committee.

The Committee was also polled on Resolutions #708 and #709.

**Assistant County Attorney – Gary Favro, Esq.**

Mr. Favro did not have a report but stated there will be some matters to discuss in Executive Session.

**County Administrator – Michael Zurlo**

Mr. Zurlo asked the Legislature to be on the lookout for the Agricultural Tour poll.

**Chairpersons Report**

Chairperson Henry did not have a report.

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

Resolutions #627 was approved.

Resolution #628 titled, "Authorizing Contract with Architectural, Engineering and Design Associates, P.C." was motioned by Legislator Bezio and seconded by Legislator Randall. Carried (9-0-1).

Discussion: Mr. Zurlo stated the County has a few contracts with A.W. Farrell & Son, Inc. for various roof projects and the design piece was removed from that contract and is now being done through the Buildings and Grounds Department. Mr. Zurlo explained this is reducing the contract amount with A.W. Farrell & Son, Inc. and the same amount is being resolved by the Buildings and Grounds Department.

Resolutions #629 through #709 were approved.

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

Resolution #710 was approved.

Legislator Waldron motioned to enter into Executive Session at 6:16 p.m., seconded by Legislator Peryea. Carried (9-0-1).

Legislator Kretser motioned to exit Executive Session at 6:27 p.m., seconded by Legislator Bezio. Carried (9-0-1).

There being no further business to come before the Legislature, Legislator Peryea motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:28 p.m., seconded by Legislator Bezio. Carried (9-0-1).

Respectfully submitted,



Erin M. Light  
Senior Typist

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# Essex County Board of Supervisors

Resolution No. 287

October 2, 2023  
Regular Board Meeting

## RESOLUTION SUPPORTING LICENSED DEALERS OF FIREARMS, SUBJECT TO NEW YORK GENERAL BUSINESS LAW §875

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor Winemiller, who moved its adoption.

Upon a motion to consider from the floor, and the same appearing proper and necessary.

**WHEREAS**, at the Ways and Means Committee Meeting on September 25, 2023, a resolution was tabled relative to the support of licensed dealers of firearms, subject to New York General Business Law §875; and

**WHEREAS**, a motion to take from the table was approved and the resolution as slightly amended is as set forth and proposed; and

**WHEREAS**, this Resolution reaffirms Resolution 200 (July 5, 2022) of the Essex County Board of Supervisors calling forward any and all advocates who claim to protect freedom and liberty in the United States to immediately challenge the "Concealed Carry Improvements Act" in court as it is unconstitutional infringement upon law abiding citizen's right to bear arms and an overt infringement upon freedom and liberty in New York State; and

**WHEREAS**, in June and July 2022, the Governor of New York, Kathleen Hochul, did sign into law a 10-bill package that included an entirely new law, housed primarily under NY General Business Law §875 (effective December 5, 2022); and

**WHEREAS**, NY Gen Bus §875 targets NY-licensed dealers in firearms, which are first required by federal law, to be federally-licensed dealers in firearms (FFL Type 01) and/or pawnbrokers (FFL Type 02), to renew that license every three years, and to comply

Check System" ("NICS") in order to aid the FBI, the ATF, and federally-licensed dealers in firearms to prevent the illegal sale of firearms to persons disqualified from their ownership, use, or possession under federal law; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, It is hereby directed that the Clerk of the County cause a copy of this Resolution to be transmitted to New York Governor Kathleen Hochul, to Acting Superintendent of the NYS Police Stephen Nigrelli, to the Commissioner of the NYS Department of Criminal Justice Services Rosanne Rosado, and to the NYS Attorney General Letticia James; and, also to the NY Association of County Clerks, the NYS Sheriffs Association, and to the Chairpersons of all NYS County Boards.

This resolution was duly seconded by Supervisor DeZalia, and adopted upon a roll-call vote, as follows:

<b>AYES:</b>	<b>2358</b>	<b>votes</b>
<b>NOES:</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>votes</b>
<b>ABSENT:</b>	<b>495</b>	<b>votes (DeLoria, Doty)</b>

STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY OF ESSEX )ss:

I, JUDITH A. GARRISON, Clerk of the Essex County Board of Supervisors, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing copy with the original resolution filed in this office on the 2nd day of October, 2023, and that it is a correct and true copy thereof.

IN TESTIMONY THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal this 2nd day October, 2023.



*Judith A. Garrison*  
**Judith A. Garrison**  
Clerk of the Essex County Board of Supervisors

Town Poll Data

<u>Option 1</u>	<u>Pop</u>
1 Altona	2887
2 Chazy	4096
3 Clinton	652
4 Ellenberg	1842
5 Mooers	3592
6 Peru	1807
7 Saranac	3814
	<b>18690</b>

<u>Option 2</u>	<u>Pop</u>
8 Beekmantown	<b>5545</b>

<u>Option 3</u>	<u>Pop</u>
9 Ausable	3181
10 Black Brook	1497
11 Champlain	5745
12 City of Plattsburgh	19,907
13 Town of Dannemora	4061
14 Town of Plattsburgh	11886
15 Schuyler Falls	4843
16 Village of Champlain	
17 Village of Dannemora	
18 Village of Rouses Point	
	<b>51120</b>

**From:** dcoryer@townofdannemora.com  
**Subject:** RE: Clinton County Dog Tether Law  
**Date:** August 13, 2024 at 10:24 AM  
**To:** Jennifer Jewett contactjennj@gmail.com  
**Cc:** Billie Jo bcarter@townofdannemora.com

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Jennifer,

I believe Mr Peryea misrepresented or misunderstood our stance.

Our dog control law covers the types of actions you are fighting against, and our DCO is pretty vigilant. We told him that Dannemora is fine with continuing to go by our own law, BUT if the general consensus is that the County, as a whole, needs to enact the law, then it should be at County level, NOT by the individual Towns, as it will hold more weight with the Sheriff or whatever law enforcement would get involved. Plus a County-wide law would provide uniformity of enforcement across the County.

We are not "against" the proposed law - we just feel that if it is to be enacted, it should be at County level, as our law words very well for us.

I hope that clarifies our position.

Sincerely,

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DEBORAH L. CORYER  
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-----Original Message-----

**From:** "Jennifer Jewett" <contactjennj@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 13, 2024 9:36am  
**To:** dcoryer@townofdannemora.com  
**Subject:** Clinton County Dog Tether Law

Morning Miss Coryer,

This is Jennifer Jewett writing you regarding the Clinton County Dog Tether Law. My team and I have been attending meetings at the Legislature since February 2024. We have been told that Dannemora is against a tether law completely. Unfortunately that's all the information we have gotten from Legislator Francis Perea. I am concerned that you may not have all the information on the proposed law. Initially the legislators wanted to mimic the Essex County Law, but we have made significant changes to proposed law. Would you mind please giving me a better idea why you are against the law?

Thank you so much,  
Jennifer Jewett and my team.

I can also be reached by phone at 518-335-9652. This has been a brutally hot summer and cold winter weather is quickly approaching. We are concerned about the dogs that are tied outside 24/7.