

OSWEGO COUNTY LEGISLATIVE MEETING



MINUTES - REGULAR MEETING

OSWEGO COUNTY, NEW YORK

Date/ Time: May 11, 2023, at 2:00 p.m.

Location: Chambers - Legislative Office Building 46 East Bridge Street Oswego, New York 13126

PUBLIC HEARING

Public Hearing – “Local Law No. 2 of the Year 2023, Entitled, “A Local Law Allowing Eligible Volunteer Firefighters and Volunteer Ambulance Workers to Receive a Real Property

Public Hearing was called to order at 2:06 p.m.

Kurt Fisher – Chair of Fire Advisory Board requested 2 changes to the Local Law as written

Public Hearing was closed at 2:12 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the Oswego County Legislature was called to order at 2:12 pm by Chairman James Weatherup with the Clerk of the Legislature present.

Roll Call was taken with all legislator’s present except Leg. Mangano, Reehil, Twiss, Martino and District 20 being vacant.

The invocation was given by the Clerk of the Legislature Betsy Sherman-Saunders, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Chairman James Weatherup.

GC-1 Legislator Holst offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION APPOINTING AN INDIVIDUAL TO FILL A VACANCY IN THE OFFICE OF COUNTY LEGISLATOR IN AND FOR THE 20TH LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT.**

Resolution 119 of 2023 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 20 No: 0 Absent: 4 Vacant: 1

Leg. Paul Connelly was sworn in by S.C.J. Gregory Gilbert.

Chairman Weatherup thanked former Legislator Stahl for his years of service.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Minutes of the Oswego County Legislature Regular Meeting on **April 13, 2023** were approved.

PROCLAMATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS

Recognition – Tina Bourgeois – Senior Licensed Practical Nurse – Retirement, 30 years

Proclamation – Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month

Proclamation – Older American Month

Proclamation – Child Care Provider Appreciation Day

Proclamation – National Foster parent Appreciation Month

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS

Leg. Gilson introduced Pulaski Middle School Government Class Students.

Leg. Schadt introduced former Legislator Amy Tresidder.

PUBLIC SPEAKERS ON RESOLUTIONS OF THE DAY

Jessica Steele – Spoke regarding the pay raise disparity between Legislators and other departments.

REPORTS

Reports of County Officials – None.

Reports of Standing Committees – Leg. Chesbro congratulated the Tourism department and David Owen for winning the 2022 NYS Tourism Excellence in Print Award, and the Tourism conference held in Oswego that had highest attendance records.

Reports of Special Committees – None.

RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS

GC-2 Legislator Holst offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF OSWEGO AND THE NEW YORK STATE OFFICE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES (NYSOITS) AND THE NEW YORK STATE DIVISION OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES (NYSDHES) (CONTRACT NO.: X050055)**

Leg. Chesbro called for a roll call vote.

Resolution 120 of 2023 adopted by a roll call vote: Yes: 21 No: 0 Absent: 4

GC-3 Pulled.

GC-4 Legislator Holst offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION APPOINTING PUBLIC DEFENDER FOR OSWEGO COUNTY**

Resolution 121 of 2023 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 21 No: 0 Absent: 4

GC-5 Legislator Holst offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING 2023 TAX PROPERTY AUCTION**

Resolution 122 of 2023 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 21 No: 0 Absent: 4

GC-6 Legislator Holst offered a resolution entitled **RESOLUTION ACCEPTING TITLE FROM THE OSWEGO COUNTY LAND BANK CORPORATION AND CONVEYING A PORTION IF SAME TI GREGORY PASKELL (2744-48 U.S. ROUTE 11, TOWN OF MEXICO)**

Resolution 123 of 2023 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 21 No: 0 Absent: 4

GC-7 Legislator Holst offered a resolution entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RECLASSIFICATION OF ONE POSITION IN PUBLIC DEFEDNER'S OFFICE**

Resolution 124 of 2023 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 21 No: 0 Absent: 4

PS-1 Legislator Greco offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RECLASSIFICATION OF ONE POSITION IN THE DISTRICT ATTORENY'S OFFICE**

Resolution 125 of 2023 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 21 No: 0 Absent: 4

PS-2 Legislator Greco offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGET MODIFICATION SHERIFF'S OFFICE TRANSFER FROM INSURANCE RECOVERY (TREASURER'S OFFICE) TO AUTOMOTIVE SUPPLIES AND REPAIR (ROAD DIVISION)**

Resolution 126 of 2023 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 21 No: 0 Absent: 4

PS-3 Legislator Greco offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGET MODFICATION SHERIFF'S OFFOCE FOR PURCHASE OF A FULL BODY SCANNER**

Resolution 127 of 2023 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 21 No: 0 Absent: 4

PS-4 Legislator Greco offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION OPPOSING S6282 ELIMINATING PROBATION FEES**

Resolution 128 of 2023 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 21 No: 0 Absent: 4

HS-1 Legislator Scanlon offered a resolution entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGET MODIFICATION DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES – FURNITURE & FURNISHINGS**

Resolution 129 of 2023 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 21 No: 0 Absent: 4

HS-2 Legislator Scanlon offered a resolution entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CREATION OF ONE (1) PART-TIME CASEWORKER AIDE POSITION IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES**

Resolution 130 of 2023 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 20 No: 0 Absent: 5
(Leg. Walpole left the meeting)

HS-3 Legislator Scanlon offered a resolution entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CREATION OF THREE TEMPORARY FULL TIME TYPISTS AND ONE TEMPORARY PART-TIME TYPIST IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES**

Resolution 131 of 2023 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 20 No: 0 Absent: 5

HS-4 Legislator Scanlon offered a resolution entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGET MODIFICATION FOR CATHOLIC CHARITIES TRANSPORTATION SERVICES CONTRACT WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES**

Resolution 132 of 2023 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 20 No: 0 Absent: 5

HS-5 Legislator Scanlon offered a resolution entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RECLASSIFICATION OF ACCOUNT CLERK TO SENIOR ACCOUNT CLERK IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES**

Resolution 133 of 2023 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 20 No: 0 Absent: 5

HS-6 Legislator Scanlon offered a resolution entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGET MODIFICATION DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES - OVERTIME**

Resolution 134 of 2023 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 20 No: 0 Absent: 5

HS-7 Legislator Scanlon offered a resolution entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY OF OSWEGO TO ACCEPT A DONATION FROM THE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE (WGI) OF \$1,000 AS A LUNCH SPONSOR FOR THE OSWEGO COUNTY YOUTH CAREER SUMMIT**

Resolution 135 of 2023 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 20 No: 0 Absent: 5

HS-8 Legislator Scanlon offered a resolution entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGET MODIFICATION OFFICE FO THE AGING – SHINE SNAP ED**

Resolution 136 of 2023 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 20 No: 0 Absent: 5

EP-1 Legislator Chesbro offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION FIXING TIME AND PLACE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING RELATIVE TO THE 8-YEAR REVIEW OF THE AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT**

Leg. Chesbro motioned to amend the resolution to change the date of the Public Hearing, Leg. Greco seconds.

Motion **passed** with a voice vote: Yes: 20 No: 0 Absent: 5

Amended Resolution 137 of 2023 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 20 No: 0 Absent: 5

EP-2 Legislator Chesbro offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION FIXING TIME AND PLACE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING RELATIVE TO THE REQUESTS OF LANDOWNER INCLUSION WITHIN THE EXISTING CERTIFIED AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT PURSUANT TO THE NYS AGRICULTURAL AND MARKETS LAW (AML), SECTION 303-b, AS AMENDED**

Leg. Chesbro motioned to amend the resolution to change the date of the Public Hearing, Leg. Emmons seconds.

Motion **passed** with a voice vote: Yes: 20 No: 0 Absent: 5

Amended Resolution 138 of 2023 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 20 No: 0 Absent: 5

EP-3 Legislator Chesbro offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGET MODIFICATION DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, OFFICE OF PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TO PROVIDE FOR ADDITIONAL HOURS TO IMPLEMENT VARIOUS GRANT PROGRAMS**

Resolution 139 of 2023 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 20 No: 0 Absent: 5

EP-4 Legislator Chesbro offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGET MODIFICATION DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – PLANNING OFFICE**

Resolution 140 of 2023 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 20 No: 0 Absent: 5

EP-5 Legislator Chesbro offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT TO THE CNY REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION BOARD**

Resolution 141 of 2023 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 20 No: 0 Absent: 5

EP-6 Legislator Chesbro offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGET MODIFICATION MOBILITY MANAGEMENT**

Resolution 142 of 2023 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 20 No: 0 Absent: 5

HE-1 Legislator Karasek offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT PUBLIC HEALTH INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING FROM HEALTH RESEARCH INC/NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (HRI/NYSDOH)**

Resolution 143 of 2023 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 20 No: 0 Absent: 5

HE-2 Legislator Karasek offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGET MODIFICATION TO INCREASE AUTHORIZATION LEVEL OF CAPITAL PROJECT NO. 134 SILK ROAD ACTION**

Resolution 144 of 2023 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 20 No: 0 Absent: 5

HE-3 Legislator Karasek offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION TO RECLASSIFY PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE TO SENIOR PROGRAM HEALTH SPECIALIST**

Resolution 145 of 2023 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 20 No: 0 Absent: 5

HE-4 Legislator Karasek offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGET MODIFICATION TO USE UNAPPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE FOR CAPITAL PROJECT NO. 0623 SHAD SLADE FIELD STATION**

Resolution 146 of 2023 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 20 No: 0 Absent: 5

IT-1 Legislator House offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RECLASSIFICATION OF TWO POSITIONS AND CREATE A NEW POSITION BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS DEPARTMENT**

Resolution 147 of 2023 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 20 No: 0 Absent: 5

IT-2 Legislator House offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION AWARDDING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT SPEDES SWPPP MSGP PERMIT UPDATE**

Resolution 148 of 2023 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 20 No: 0 Absent: 5

FP-1 Legislator Lockwood offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RECLASSIFICATION OF ONE PART-TIME POSITION IN THE HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT**

Resolution 149 of 2023 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 20 No: 0 Absent: 5

FP-2 Legislator Lockwood offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION AWARDING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT – RFP 23-HR-001- COMPENSATION STUDY**

Resolution 150 of 2023 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 20 No: 0 Absent: 5

FP-3 Legislator Lockwood offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION AMENDING THE SEXUAL HARASSMENT POLICY FOR THE COUNTY OF OSWEGO**

Resolution 151 of 2023 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 20 No: 0 Absent: 5

FP-4 Legislator Lockwood offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION PURSUANT TO SECTION 206 OF COUNTY LAW CHANGING LEGISLATIVE OFFICE BUILDING HOURS FOR JUNE, JULY AND AUGUST**

Resolution 152 of 2023 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 20 No: 0 Absent: 5

FP-5 Legislator Lockwood offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION ADOPTING AN INVESTMENT POLICY AND DESIGNATING BANKS AS DEPOSITORIES OF COUNTY FUNDS**

Resolution 153 of 2023 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 20 No: 0 Absent: 5

FP-6 Legislator Lockwood offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO A HOME RULE REQUEST**

Resolution 154 of 2023 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 19 No: 1 Absent: 5
(Leg. Castiglia in opposition)

FP-7 Pulled

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Leg. Karasek wanted to clarify that the County does not do the assessments.

Leg. M. Yerdon commented on the County assessments and the equalization rates.

Leg. House motioned to waive the rules to hear resolutions GC-8, GC-9, and HS-9, multiple seconds.

GC-8 Legislator Holst offered a resolution entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH OSWEGO COUNTY BOARD OF COOPERATIVE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES (CITI BOCES) REGARDING THE P-TECH PROGRAM FOR THE 2023-24 CITI BOCES FISCAL YEAR**

Resolution 155 of 2023 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 20 No: 0 Absent: 5

GC-9 Legislator Holst offered a resolution entitled **RESOLUTION APPOINTING A DIRECTOR TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WESTERN REGIONAL OFF-TRACK BETTING CORPORATION PURSUANT TO RACING, PARI-MUTUEL WAGERING AND BREEDING LAW §502**

Leg. Karasek motioned to amend the resolution to delete fourth WHEREAS paragraph, Leg. Emmons seconds.

Motion **passed** with a voice vote: Yes: 20 No: 0 Absent: 5

Amended Resolution 156 of 2023 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 20 No: 0 Absent: 5

HS-9 Legislator Scanlon offered a resolution entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RECLASSIFICATION OF ONE (1) ATTORNEY POSITION IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES**

Resolution 157 of 2023 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 20 No: 0 Absent: 5

ADJOURNMENT

Legislator Karasek motioned to adjourn, multiple seconds.

Vote: Unanimous, motion carried

Legislature adjourned at 4:06 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

None.

Betsy Sherman-Saunders
Clerk of the Legislature