

OSWEGO COUNTY LEGISLATIVE MEETING



MINUTES - ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

OSWEGO COUNTY, NEW YORK

Date/ Time: January 6, 2022 at 2:00pm

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

CALL TO ORDER

The Organizational Meeting of the Oswego County Legislature was called to order at 2:09 pm by Chairman James Weatherup with the Clerk of the Legislature Present.

Roll Call was taken with all legislator's present except Leg. Wilmott, Bombardo, Twiss, and Stahl.

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

SWEARING IN OF NEW LEGISLATORS

Legislators James Scanlon (District 16), Noelle Beckwith Salmonsens (District 21), Michael Soloway (District 23), and Frank Castiglia (District 25) were sworn in by the Hon. Karen M. Brandt Brown, County Court Judge.

Legislator Frank Bombardo (District 7) was sworn in by County Clerk, Terry Wilbur on January 13, 2022.

SWEARING IN OF INCUMBENT LEGISLATORS

All Incumbent Legislators sworn in by the Hon. Karen Brandt Brown, County Court Judge.

ELECTION OF THE CHAIRMAN

Vice Chairman Linda Lockwood opened the floor for nominations for Chairman of the Legislature.

Legislator Emmons nominated James Weatherup for Chairman of the Legislature, multiple seconds. No other nominations. All in favor.

Legislator Weatherup was elected Chairman of the Legislature for 2022 and was sworn in by the Hon. Karen M. Brandt Brown, County Court Judge.

ELECTION OF THE VICE CHAIRMAN

Chairman of the Legislature James Weatherup opened the floor for nominations for Vice Chairman of the Legislature.

Legislator Emmons nominated Linda Lockwood for Vice Chairwoman of the Legislature, multiple seconds. No other nominations. All in favor.

Legislator Lockwood was elected Vice-Chairwoman of the Legislature for 2022 and was sworn in by the Hon. Karen M. Brandy Brown, County Court Judge.

ELECTION OF CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE

Chairman of the Legislature James Weatherup opened the floor for nominations for Clerk of the Legislature.

Legislator Emmons nominated Betsy Sherman-Saunders for Clerk of the Legislature, multiple seconds. No other nominations. All in favor.

Betsy Sherman-Saunders was elected Clerk of the Legislature for 2022 and was sworn in by the Hon. Karen M. Brandt Brown, County Court Judge.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Minutes of the Oswego County Legislature Regular Meeting on **December 9, 2021** were approved.

PUBLIC SPEAKERS ON RESOLUTIONS OF THE DAY

None.

REPORTS

Reports of County Officials – None
Reports of Standing Committees – None
Reports of Special Committees – None

ANNOUNCEMENT OF MAJORITY AND MINORITY LEADERS/WHIP

The Chairman announced the Republican Caucus appointments of Leg. Emmons as Majority Leader and Leg. Mangano Cornelius as Majority Whip

The Chairman announced the Democratic Caucus appointments of Leg. Castiglia as Minority Leader and Leg. Schadt as Minority Whip

RECOGNITIONS

Recognition – Janet Clerkin – Tourism – 37 years, Retiree

RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS

OR-1 Legislator Holst Offered a resolution entitled, **RESOLUTION APPOINTING COUNTY ATTORNEY FOR THE COUNTY OF OSWEGO**, Leg. Gilson seconds.

Resolution 001 of 2022 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 21 No: 0 Absent: 4

OR-2 Legislator M. Yerdon offered a resolution entitled **RESOLUTION APPOINTING COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE COUNTY OF OSWEGO**, Leg. Greco seconds.

Resolution 002 of 2022 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 21 No: 0 Absent: 4

OR-3 Legislator Kline offered a resolution entitled **RESOLUTION APPOINTING AUDITOR FOR THE COUNTY OF OSWEGO**, Leg. Lockwood seconds.

Resolution 003 of 2022 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 21 No: 0 Absent: 4

OR-4 Legislator Martino offered a resolution entitled **RESOLUTION APPOINTING PURCHASING DIRECTOR FOR THE COUNTY OF OSWEGO**, Leg. Mangano seconds.

Resolution 004 of 2022 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 19 No: 2 Absent: 4
(Leg. Castiglia and Schadt in opposition)

OR-5 Legislator Gilson offered a resolution entitled **RESOLUTION APPOINTING PLAN ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE OSWEGO COUNTY ASSIGNED COUNSEL PLAN**, Leg. H. Yerdon seconds.

Resolution 005 of 2022 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 20 No: 1 Absent: 4
(Leg. Castiglia in opposition)

OR-6 Legislator House offered a resolution entitled **RESOLUTION APPOINTING FIRE COORDINATOR FOR THE COUNTY OF OSWEGO**, Leg. Solowy seconds.

Resolution 006 of 2022 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 21 No: 0 Absent: 4

OR-7 Legislator Greco offered a resolution entitled **RESOLUTION APPOINTING DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FOR THE COUNTY OF OSWEGO**, Leg. Karasek seconds.

Resolution 007 of 2022 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 20 No: 1 Absent: 4
(Leg. Castiglia in opposition)

OR-8 Legislator Chesbro offered a resolution entitled **RESOLUTION APPOINTING DIRECTOR OF 911 COMMUNICATION SYSTEM FOR THE COUNTY OF OSWEGO**, Leg. House seconds.

Resolution 008 of 2022 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 21 No: 0 Absent: 4

OR-9 Legislator Lockwood offered a resolution entitled **RESOLUTION APPOINTING DIRECTOR OF SOLID WASTE PROGRAMS FOR THE COUNTY OF OSWEGO**, Leg. Kline seconds.

Resolution 009 of 2022 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 21 No: 0 Absent: 4

OR-10 Legislator Solowy offered a resolution entitled **RESOLUTION APPOINTING DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL SERVICES FOR THE COUNTY OF OSWEGO**, Leg. Scanlon seconds.

Resolution 010 of 2022 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 21 No: 0 Absent: 4

OR-11 Legislator Reehil offered a resolution entitled **RESOLUTION APPOINTING AGING SERVICES ADMINSTRATOR FOR THE COUNTY OF OSWEGO**, Leg. Greco seconds.

Resolution 011 of 2022 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 21 No: 0 Absent: 4

OR-12 Legislator H. Yerdon offered a resolution entitled **RESOLUTION APPOINTING DIRECTOR OF YOUTH BUREAU FOR THE COUNTY OF OSWEGO**, Leg. Scanlon seconds.

Resolution 012 of 2022 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 21 No: 0 Absent: 4

OR-13 Legislator Karasek offered a resolution entitled **RESOLUTION APPOINTING DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH FOR THE COUNTY OF OSWEGO**, Leg. Kline seconds.

Resolution 013 of 2022 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 21 No: 0 Absent: 4

OR-14 Legislator Reehil offered a resolution entitled **RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING DIRECTOR OF STRATEGIC INITIATIVES FOR THE COUNTY OF OSWEGO**, Leg. Chesbro seconds.

Resolution 014 of 2022 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 19 No: 2 Absent: 4
(Leg. Castiglia and Schadt in opposition)

OR-15 Legislator Gilson offered a resolution entitled **RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS FOR PUBLICATION OF ALL ELECTION NOTICES, OFFICIAL CANVASS, LOCAL LAWS, NOTICES AND OTHER MATTERS REQUIRED BY LAW TO BE PUBLISHED**, Leg. M. Yerdon seconds.

Resolution 015 of 2022 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 21 No: 0 Absent: 4

OR-16 Legislator House offered a resolution entitled **RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE OSWEGO COUNTY TREASURER AS THE RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL TO CORRECT CLERICAL ERRORS AND ERRORS IN ESSENTIAL FACT UNDER REAL PROPERTY TAX LAW §556**, Leg. Martino seconds.

Resolution 016 of 2022 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 21 No: 0 Absent: 4

OR-17 Legislator Martino offered a resolution entitled **RESOLUTION ADOPTING AN OSWEGO COUNTY INVESTMENT POLICY AND DESIGNATING BANKS AS DEPOSITORIES OF COUNTY FUNDS**, Leg. Scanlon seconds.

Resolution 017 of 2022 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 21 No: 0 Absent: 4

OR-18 Legislator Lockwood offered a resolution entitled **RESOLUTION AWARDING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT – GRANT WRITING - LEGISLATURE**, Leg. Holst seconds.

Resolution 018 of 2022 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 21 No: 0 Absent: 4

Leg. Emmons motioned to waive the rules to add resolutions OR-19 and OR-20, Leg. Castiglia seconds.

Motion passed by a voice vote: Yes: 21 No: 0 Absent: 4

OR-19 Legislator Karasek offered a resolution entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION FOR AND RECEIPT OF COVID-19 SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING FROM THE STATE OF NEW YORK**

Resolution 019 of 2022 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 16 No: 5 Absent: 4
(Leg. Walpole, Beckwith-Salmonsens, Holst, Martino, and Kline in opposition)

OR-20 Legislator Karasek offered a resolution entitled **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A SETTLEMENT AND PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT WITH LERGAN REGARDING THE MATTER OF COUNTY OF OSWEGO VS. PURDUE PHARMA, ET AL.**

Resolution 020 of 2022 adopted by a voice vote: Yes: 21 No: 0 Absent: 4

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Leg. Chesbro advised to the Agricultural District Opportunity January 1, 2022 - January 31, 2022, and asked to encourage constituents to apply.


ADJOURNMENT

Leg. Emmons motion to adjourn, Leg. Kline seconds.
Vote: Unanimous, motion carried

Legislature adjourned at 3:00 pm

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Leg. Schadt asked to take a moment to honor those lost one year prior at the United States Capital


Betsy Sherman Saunders
Clerk of the Legislature