

First Special & Organizational Meeting
January 2, 2015

The First Special and Organizational Meeting of 2015 was called to order by the Legislative Clerk at 9:01 A.M.

The following County Legislators were present:

DISTRICT 1

Richard L. Huttleston

DISTRICT 5

Raymond P. Case

DISTRICT 2

Martha C. Sauerbrey

DISTRICT 6

Dale N. Weston

DISTRICT 3

Michael Roberts

DISTRICT 7

William H. Standinger, III

Ed Hollenbeck

DISTRICT 4

Loretta A. Sullivan

Tracy Monell

There were 12 people in attendance.

The Clerk asked Legislator Monell to have a moment of Prayer. "We thank you for the year ahead, we thank for the year past. We pray that you would continue to bless as we go about the business of this County. We thank you for the opportunity to serve. We pray Lord that you would direct us that we would serve the constituents well. Help us Lord to do the job that we have been appointed to do and help us to do it to the best of our abilities."

Legislator Monell led all Legislators and those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

County Clerk Robert Woodburn swore in Legislators Hollenbeck, Roberts, Standinger, Weston, and the two Election Commissioners, Bernadette Toombs and John Langan.

The Clerk announced that the first order of business was the election of a Chair. Legislator Weston nominated Legislator Sauerbrey, seconded by Legislator Case. Legislator Monell moved to close the nominations, seconded by Legislator Hollenbeck. On roll call vote all members voted Aye and the Clerk cast one ballot and Legislator Sauerbrey was appointed Chair of the Tioga County Legislature for a one year term.

County Clerk Robert Woodburn swore Legislator Sauerbrey in as Chair of the Tioga County Legislature for 2015.

Chair Sauerbrey spoke. "First of all congratulations to our newly Elected Legislators and thank you to all of you for electing me as Chair of the Legislature for my second term. This year marks my tenth year as a Legislator and second year as Chair. It is amazing the amount of time that I have spent on the Legislature that I am still learning something new every day. This past year I gained a lot of appreciation for our County employees. I learned that people working here like working here and they like helping others. I learned that people take their job seriously, caring for the welfare of our children and our elderly. They care about helping people find work and to ensure safety. They also care about performing their work more efficiently and streamlining their processes. They celebrate each other's accomplishments and encourage each other to grow and do better.

"I also appreciate my fellow members on the Legislature. Although we do not always agree, we do have the best interest of our County in mind. We all come from different backgrounds. We all have different priorities and we are not afraid to stand on our convictions and do so passionately, but however we may disagree, but we come together and we move forward. It all takes balance and cooperation.

"There are many unknowns facing us as we move into this year. We made some tough decisions last year and I expect we will have more ahead of us. What I do know is that we will continue to be conservative in our spending, yet open to opportunity. One of the more recent things I learned is that you cannot depend on others to bring opportunity. We must work to create our own opportunity and so as we move into 2015 with caution, we will look for opportunity and we will find it. Thank you."

The Chair announced the next order of business was the election of a Deputy Chair. Legislator Hollenbeck nominated Legislator Case, seconded by Legislator Monell. Legislator Monell moved to close the nominations, seconded by Legislator Hollenbeck. On roll call vote all members voted Aye and the Chair cast one ballot and Legislator Case was appointed Deputy Chair of the Tioga County Legislature for a one year term.

County Clerk Robert Woodburn swore Legislator Case in as Deputy Chair of the Tioga County Legislature for 2015.

The Chair called for nominations for Public Information Officer. Legislator Monell nominated Douglas Barton, seconded by Legislator Sullivan. Legislator Case moved to close the nominations, seconded by Legislator Monell. On roll call vote all Legislators voted for Douglas Barton as Public Information Officer, and the Chair cast one ballot and Douglas Barton was appointed Public Information Officer for a one year term.

The Chair called for nominations for Republican Majority Leader. Legislator Sullivan nominated Legislator Roberts, seconded by Legislator Case. Legislator Hollenbeck moved to close the nominations, seconded by Legislator Sullivan. On roll call vote all Legislators voted for Legislator Roberts as Republican Majority Leader, and the Chair cast one ballot and Legislator Roberts was appointed Republican Majority Leader for a one year term.

Chair Sauerbrey asked if there were any disclosures to be made.

Legislator Monell stated, "I have none".

Legislator Sauerbrey stated, "I have none".

Legislator Roberts stated, "I have none".

Legislator Standinger stated, "I have none".

Legislator Sullivan stated, "I have none".

Legislator Weston stated, "I have none".

Legislator Case stated, "I have none".

Legislator Hollenbeck stated, "I have none".

Legislator Huttleston stated, "I have a real estate appraisal business and I do not do any appraisals for any County owned property or any transactions that involve the County where there would be a conflict of interest."

Legislator Monell moved for the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Legislator Case.

REFERRED TO: LEGISLATIVE WORKSESSION COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 1-15 *TRIPS AUTHORIZED*

RESOLVED: That the Chair and the Clerk of the County Legislature, the County Attorney, and County Legislators be, and they hereby are, authorized to make such trips as their duties may require and that their actual and necessary expenses for travel, meals and lodging incurred on such trips be a County charge.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Yes – Legislators Monell, Sauerbrey, Roberts, Standinger, Sullivan, Weston, Case, Hollenbeck, and Huttleston.

No – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

Legislator Hollenbeck moved for the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Legislator Monell.

REFERRED TO: FINANCE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 2-15 *DESIGNATION OF OFFICIAL DEPOSITORIES*

RESOLVED: That, pursuant to the powers vested in this Legislature by Section 212 of the County Law, as amended, the following Banks within New York State be, and they hereby are designated as depositories for the deposit of all monies received by the County Treasurer, to an amount not to exceed the sum set opposite the name of each Bank as follows:

JP Morgan Chase Bank	\$30,000,000
Chemung Canal Trust Company	\$30,000,000
Citizens Bank, N.A.	\$30,000,000
Community Bank, N.A.	\$30,000,000

First Niagara Bank, N.A.	\$30,000,000
M&T Bank	\$30,000,000
Tioga State Bank	\$30,000,000
National Bank and Trust Company, N.A.	\$30,000,000

ROLL CALL VOTE

Yes – Legislators Monell, Sauerbrey, Roberts, Standinger, Sullivan, Weston, Case, Hollenbeck, and Huttleston.

No – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

Legislator Case moved for the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Legislator Hollenbeck.

REFERRED TO: LEGISLATIVE WORKSESSION COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 3-15 *DESIGNATE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS*

RESOLVED: That the Tioga County Courier and the Morning Times are hereby designated official newspapers for the publication of all local laws, notices and other matters required by law to be published pursuant to County Law §214, Subd. 2; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the Press and Sun Bulletin, a daily newspaper, is hereby designated as the official newspaper for purposes of publishing all local laws, notices and other matters required by law to be published at such times that there is insufficient time to publish in the above two newspapers.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Yes – Legislators Monell, Sauerbrey, Roberts, Standinger, Sullivan, Weston, Case, Hollenbeck, and Huttleston.

No – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

Legislator Case moved for the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Legislator Hollenbeck.

REFERRED TO: LEGISLATIVE WORKSESSION COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 4-15 *DESIGNATION OF NEWSPAPER FOR
REPUBLICAN PARTY*

RESOLVED: That the Morning Times is hereby designated as the newspaper published in the County of Tioga for the Republican Party to publish the Election notices issued by the Secretary of State, and to publish the official canvass pursuant to County Law §214, Subd. 1.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Yes – Legislators Monell, Sauerbrey, Roberts, Standinger, Sullivan, Weston, Case, Hollenbeck, and Huttleston.

No – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

Legislator Monell moved for the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Legislator Hollenbeck.

REFERRED TO: LEGISLATIVE WORKSESSION COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 5-15 *DESIGNATION OF NEWSPAPER FOR
DEMOCRATIC PARTY*

RESOLVED: That the Tioga County Courier is hereby designated as the newspaper published in the County of Tioga for the Democratic Party to publish the Election notices issued by the Secretary of State, and to publish the official canvass pursuant to County Law §214, Subd. 1.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Yes – Legislators Monell, Sauerbrey, Roberts, Standinger, Sullivan, Weston, Case, Hollenbeck, and Huttleston.

No – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

Legislator Hollenbeck moved for the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Legislator Case.

REFERRED TO: LEGISLATIVE WORKSESSION COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 6-15 SET SALARY OF CHAIR

RESOLVED: That the salary of the Chair of the Tioga County Legislature be set at \$32,260 per year, which includes the salary received as County Legislator of \$9,975 and an additional \$22,285 to serve as Chair.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Yes – Legislators Monell, Sauerbrey, Roberts, Standinger, Sullivan, Weston, Case, Hollenbeck, and Huttleston.

No – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

Legislator Hollenbeck moved for the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Legislator Sullivan.

REFERRED TO: LEGISLATIVE WORKSESSION COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 7-15 FIX DATES AND TIMES OF
TIOGA COUNTY LEGISLATIVE
MEETINGS

RESOLVED: That the Tioga County Legislature during 2015 shall meet regularly in the Edward D. Hubbard Auditorium of the Ronald E. Dougherty County Office Building, 56 Main Street, Owego, New York at 12:00 P.M. on the Tuesday

following Committees which are held during the first full work week of the month; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the, March, June, September and December 2015 Legislative meetings shall be held at 6:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Yes – Legislators Sauerbrey, Roberts, Standinger, Sullivan, Weston, Case, Hollenbeck, and Huttleston.

No – Legislator Monell.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

Legislator Case moved for the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Legislator Standinger.

REFERRED TO: ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

RESOLUTION NO. 8-15 APPOINTMENT OF
ADMINISTRATIVE CORONER

WHEREAS: The Tioga County Coroners have selected an Administrative Coroner for 2015; and

WHEREAS: Such Administrative Coroner will perform the supervisory duties of managing their budget, paying the bills, and various office functions of the Coroner's office; and

WHEREAS: The Administrative Coroner will have no supervisory authority over the other Coroners; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That W. Stewart Bennett, Tioga County Coroner, has been selected by the four duly elected County Coroners to be designated as the Administrative Coroner for 2015 and be given a stipend of \$3,000.00 as set forth in the County budget.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Yes – Legislators Monell, Sauerbrey, Roberts, Standinger, Sullivan, Weston, Case, Hollenbeck, and Huttleston.

No – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

Legislator Sullivan moved for the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Legislator Hollenbeck.

REFERRED TO: LEGISLATIVE WORKSESSION

RESOLUTION NO. 9-15 *APPOINT DIRECTORS
SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION
DISTRICT*

RESOLVED: That Legislators Dale Weston and Tracy Monell are hereby appointed Directors of the Tioga County Soil and Water Conservation District for a one year term of January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015; and be it further

RESOLVED: That Ronald E. Dougherty be hereby reappointed Director at Large for a three year term of January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2017.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Yes – Legislators Monell, Sauerbrey, Roberts, Standinger, Sullivan, Weston, Case, Hollenbeck, and Huttleston.

No – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

Legislator Sullivan moved for the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Legislator Roberts.

REFERRED TO: LEGISLATIVE WORKSESSION

RESOLUTION NO. 10-15 *ANNUAL REVIEW OF PROCUREMENT POLICY*

WHEREAS: General Municipal Law §104-b requires an annual review of Tioga County's procurement policy and procedures; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Tioga County Legislature affirms its annual review of its Procurement Policy.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Yes – Legislators Monell, Sauerbrey, Roberts, Standinger, Sullivan, Weston, Case, Hollenbeck, and Huttleston.

No – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:18 A.M.