

First Special & Organizational Meeting
January 4, 2016

The First Special and Organizational Meeting of 2016 was called to order by the Legislative Clerk at 9:00 A.M.

The following County Legislators were present:

DISTRICT 1
Richard L. Huttleston

DISTRICT 5
VACANT

DISTRICT 2
Martha C. Sauerbrey

DISTRICT 6
Dale N. Weston

DISTRICT 3
Michael Roberts

DISTRICT 7
William H. Standing, III
Ed Hollenbeck

DISTRICT 4
Loretta A. Sullivan
Tracy Monell

There were 17 people in attendance.

The Clerk asked Legislator Standing to have a moment of Prayer. "Lord, we thank you for our many blessings and we ask for your wisdom as we conduct the business of the citizens of the County of Tioga."

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

County Clerk Andrea Klett swore in Legislators Huttleston, Monell, Sauerbrey, and Sullivan, Sheriff Gary Howard, Coroner Robert Williams, and Coroner Ryan Kline.

The Clerk announced that the first order of business was the election of a Chair. Legislator Hollenbeck nominated Legislator Sauerbrey, 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 Clerk cast one ballot and Legislator Sauerbrey was appointed Chair of the Tioga County Legislature for a one year term.

County Clerk Andrea Klett swore Legislator Sauerbrey in as Chair of the Tioga County Legislature for 2016.

Chair Sauerbrey spoke. "Happy New Year everybody. As you can see, we are nothing without the staff to keep us on line and doing things right according to the law. First of all, I want to thank my fellow Legislators for your support again. Many of us have been working together for close to 10 years and after a while we get to know each other pretty well, and I hope that we will continue in the future this year to continue with new energy and new ideas for the County.

"Upcoming in the near future we have a couple of projects that we have to attend to. We will continue to work on locating our Mental Health Services, that has to be done the beginning of this quarter. We are going to talk and meet with the Town and Village leaders about the rising demolition costs, that is a goal. Lastly and unfortunately, we have the unpleasant duty of, well pleasant but the reason is unpleasant, of appointing a position to Legislator for the Village of Waverly because we lost our dear friend, Ray Case. That is on the plan for the first quarter of this year. I think we are going to have a good year and we are going to have a good productive year, keeping costs down and running Government. Thank you again."

The Chair announced the next order of business was the election of a Deputy Chair. Legislator Roberts nominated Legislator Weston, seconded by Legislator Hollenbeck. Legislator Roberts 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 Weston was appointed Deputy Chair of the Tioga County Legislature for a one year term.

County Clerk Andrea Klett swore Legislator Weston in as Deputy Chair of the Tioga County Legislature for 2016.

The Chair called for nominations for County Attorney. Legislator Sullivan nominated Judith Quigley, seconded by Legislator Hollenbeck. Legislator Sullivan moved to close the nominations, seconded by Legislator Monell. On roll call vote all Legislators voted for Judith Quigley as County Attorney and the Chair cast one ballot and Judith Quigley was appointed County Attorney for a three-year term.

The Chair called for nominations for Legislative Clerk. Legislator Monell nominated Maureen Dougherty, seconded by Legislator Hollenbeck. Legislator Monell moved to close the nominations, seconded by Legislator Sullivan. On roll call vote all Legislators voted for Maureen Dougherty as Legislative Clerk and the Chair cast one ballot and Maureen Dougherty was appointed Legislative Clerk for a three-year term.

The Chair called for nominations for Budget Officer. Legislator Sullivan nominated Rita Hollenbeck, seconded by Legislator Hollenbeck. Legislator Monell moved to close the nominations, seconded by Legislator Hollenbeck. On roll call vote all Legislators voted for Rita Hollenbeck as Budget Officer and the Chair cast one ballot and Rita Hollenbeck was appointed Budget Officer for a three-year term.

The Chair called for nominations for Public Defender. Legislator Monell nominated George Awad, seconded by Legislator Hollenbeck. Legislator Monell moved to close the nominations, seconded by Legislator Hollenbeck. On roll call vote all Legislators voted for George Awad as Public Defender and the Chair cast one ballot and George Awad was appointed Public Defender for a three-year term.

County Clerk Andrea Klett swore in Judith Quigley, County Attorney, Maureen Dougherty, Legislative Clerk, Rita Hollenbeck, Budget Officer, and George Awad, Public Defender for three year terms.

The Chair called for nominations for Public Information Officer. Legislator Monell nominated Douglas Barton, seconded by Legislator Hollenbeck. Legislator Monell moved to close the nominations, seconded by Legislator Sullivan. 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 Monell nominated Legislator Roberts, seconded by Legislator Sullivan. 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 Standinger stated, "I have none".

Legislator Sullivan stated, "I would like to disclose that my husband is the Director of the County Weights and Measures".

Legislator Weston stated, "I have none".

Legislator Hollenbeck stated, "I have none".

Legislator Huttleston stated, "I have a real estate appraisal business and I do no appraisals for Tioga County or any appraisals that the County is involved with".

Legislator Monell stated, "I have none".

Legislator Roberts stated, "I have none".

Legislator Sauerbrey stated, "I have none".

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

REFERRED TO: LEGISLATIVE WORKSESSION COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 1-16 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 Standinger, Sullivan, Weston, Hollenbeck, Huttleston, Monell, Roberts and Sauerbrey.

No – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

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

REFERRED TO: FINANCE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 2-16 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 Standinger, Sullivan, Weston, Hollenbeck, Huttleston, Monell, Roberts and Sauerbrey.

No – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

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

REFERRED TO: LEGISLATIVE WORKSESSION COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 3-16 *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 Standinger, Sullivan, Weston, Hollenbeck, Huttleston, Monell, Roberts and Sauerbrey.

No – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

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

REFERRED TO: LEGISLATIVE WORKSESSION COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 4-16 *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 Standinger, Sullivan, Weston, Hollenbeck, Huttleston, Monell, Roberts and Sauerbrey.

No – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

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

REFERRED TO: LEGISLATIVE WORKSESSION COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 5-16 *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 Standinger, Sullivan, Weston, Hollenbeck, Huttleston, Monell, Roberts and Sauerbrey.

No – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

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

REFERRED TO: LEGISLATIVE WORKSESSION COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 6-16 SET SALARY OF CHAIR

RESOLVED: That the salary of the Chair of the Tioga County Legislature be set at \$33,067 per year, which includes the salary received as County Legislator of \$10,225 and an additional \$22,842 to serve as Chair.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

No – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

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

REFERRED TO: LEGISLATIVE WORKSESSION COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 7-16 FIX DATES AND TIMES OF
TIOGA COUNTY LEGISLATIVE
MEETINGS

RESOLVED: That the Tioga County Legislature during 2016 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 2016 Legislative meetings shall be held at 6:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

No – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

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

REFERRED TO: ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

RESOLUTION NO. 8-16 APPOINTMENT OF
ADMINISTRATIVE CORONER

WHEREAS: The Tioga County Coroners have selected an Administrative Coroner for 2016; 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 2016 and be given a stipend of \$3,000.00 as set forth in the County budget.

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

REFERRED TO: LEGISLATIVE WORKSESSION

RESOLUTION NO. 10-16 *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, 2016 through December 31, 2016; and be it further

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

No – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

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

REFERRED TO: LEGISLATIVE WORKSESSION

RESOLUTION NO. 11-16 *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 Standinger, Sullivan, Weston, Hollenbeck, Huttleston, Monell, Roberts and Sauerbrey.

No – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

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

REFERRED TO: LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 12-16 *AUTHORIZE SALARY OF 3rd ASSISTANT
DISTRICT ATTORNEY
DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE*

WHEREAS: Legislative approval is required to authorize the salary of an appointment to a position designated as non-union; and

WHEREAS: A vacancy currently exists for the position of 3rd Assistant District Attorney; and

WHEREAS: The District Attorney has identified an appropriate candidate with prior experience within a District Attorney's Office; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That Tioga County District Attorney is hereby authorized to appoint Kristen Grabowski to the position of 3rd Assistant District Attorney at an annual, non-union salary of \$30,576.00 effective January 4, 2016.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

No – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:28 A.M.