

First Special & Organizational Meeting
January 2, 2018

The First Special and Organizational Meeting of 2018 was called to order by the Legislative Clerk at 9:24 A.M.

The following County Legislators were present:

DISTRICT 1

Richard L. Huttleston

DISTRICT 5

Dennis Mullen

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 9 people in attendance.

The Clerk asked Legislator Mullen to have a moment of Prayer. "Lord, I would ask that you look upon us this year of 2018 to govern well, serve the people well, that we have a safe and prosperous year for all the residents of Tioga County, that we continue to grow and achieve according to your son."

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

County Clerk Andrea Klett swore in Legislators Hollenbeck, Roberts, Standing and Weston along with District Attorney Kirk Martin.

District Attorney Martin spoke. "I just wanted to thank the citizens of Tioga County for giving me an opportunity for a second term. I also wanted to thank the Legislature for supporting the mission of the District Attorneys' Office. It is an important mission and we continue to work hard in effecting that for the safety and the well-being of all Tioga County's citizens.

"During the last four years we have accomplished much. We have stopped the bleeding of felony indictments that were being dismissed regularly by County Court. We have replaced walls amongst the Police agencies in Tioga County with bridges and relationships with them all and we have

continued to hold those who would do harm to our citizens accountable. We have implemented a dual policy regarding those involved in drugs. If you are an otherwise good person and an addict, and honestly seek treatment, we will make sure it is available to you and give you the opportunity to get back on your feet, but if you are a drug dealer and you profit from selling poison to our children, you will go to prison period, end of story. As an example, a person by the name of Dwuane Brown was investigated by a joint effort of our local Police agencies within the past couple of years and found with over 300 bags of heroin and an unlicensed pistol. He was ultimately convicted of possession of heroin with the intent to sell it and other crimes and is now serving more than 13 years in State Prison. I consider that good work.

“In my second term I look forward to continuing this leadership of law and order and to ensure our streets, villages and towns are as safe as we can make them, to continue with the partnership that we have with the great Police agencies serving our County. Thank you so much.”

The Clerk announced that the first order of business was the appointment of a Chair. Legislator Hollenbeck nominated Legislator Sauerbrey, seconded by Legislator Mullen. 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 in Legislator Sauerbrey as Chair of the Tioga County Legislature for 2018.

Chair Sauerbrey spoke. “First of all I just want to thank everybody for your support. I think we have a really good team here. I think we have accomplished a lot last year. We did a lot of work, which I feel very proud of. We made some major changes that we have been talking about, which goes to show that if we chew on stuff long enough and work together we can make some progress. During my time on the Legislature, which is like 12 years or whatever, I have seen a lot of changes in government, specifically County government and my observation is that there is more and more pressure from the State coming down, instructing us on how to do business, mandating and controlling what we do. It is a challenge every day to stay up on issues, to stay informed, and to stay aware. I look forward to working with you to make some changes moving forward, to do a better job in government, and look for ways that we can improve our systems. Thank you very much.”

The Chair announced the next order of business is nominations for a First Deputy Chair. Legislator Mullen nominated Legislator Weston, seconded by Legislator Hollenbeck. Legislator Sullivan moved to close the nominations,

seconded by Legislator Monell. On roll call vote, all members voted Aye and the Chair cast one ballot and Legislator Weston was appointed First Deputy Chair of the Tioga County Legislature for a one year term.

The Chair called for nominations for a Second Deputy Chair. Legislator Monell nominated Legislator Hollenbeck, seconded by Legislator Mullen. Legislator Sullivan moved to close the nominations, seconded by Legislator Monell. On roll call vote, all members voted Aye and the Chair cast one ballot and Legislator Hollenbeck was appointed Second Deputy Chair of the Tioga County Legislature for a one year term.

County Clerk Andrea Klett swore in Legislators Weston and Hollenbeck as Deputy Chairs of the Tioga County Legislature for 2018.

Chair Sauerbrey spoke. "Andrea, on behalf of the whole Legislature thank you for helping us out every year and swearing us all in. We appreciate it."

The Chair called for nominations for Public Information Officer. Legislator Roberts nominated Douglas Barton, seconded by Legislator Standinger. Legislator Sullivan moved to close the nominations, seconded by Legislator Hollenbeck. On roll call vote all members 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 Standinger. Legislator Monell moved to close the nominations, seconded by Legislator Hollenbeck. 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 Mullen stated, "I have nothing to disclose."

Legislator Sauerbrey stated, "I have nothing to disclose."

Legislator Roberts stated, "I have nothing to disclose."

Legislator Standinger stated, "I have no disclosures."

Legislator Sullivan stated, "I have nothing to disclose."

Legislator Weston stated, "I have no disclosures."

Legislator Hollenbeck stated, "I have nothing to disclose."

Legislator Huttleston stated, "I have no disclosures."

Legislator Monell stated, "I have no disclosures."

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

REFERRED TO: LEGISLATIVE WORKSESSION COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 1-18 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 Mullen, Sauerbrey, Roberts, Standinger, Sullivan, Weston, Hollenbeck, Huttleston and Monell.

No – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

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

REFERRED TO: FINANCE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 2-18 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
Community Bank, N.A.	\$30,000,000
Key Bank Corporation	\$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 Mullen, Sauerbrey, Roberts, Standinger, Sullivan, Weston, Hollenbeck, Huttleston and Monell.

No – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

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

REFERRED TO: LEGISLATIVE WORKSESSION COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 3-18 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 Mullen, Sauerbrey, Roberts, Standinger, Sullivan, Weston, Hollenbeck, Huttleston and Monell.

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. 4-18 *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 Mullen, Sauerbrey, Roberts, Standinger, Sullivan, Weston, Hollenbeck, Huttleston and Monell.

No – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

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

REFERRED TO: LEGISLATIVE WORKSESSION COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 5-18 *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 Mullen, Sauerbrey, Roberts, Standing, Sullivan, Weston, Hollenbeck, Huttleston and Monell.

No – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

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

REFERRED TO: LEGISLATIVE WORKSESSION COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 6-18 SET SALARY OF CHAIR

RESOLVED: That the salary of the Chair of the Tioga County Legislature be set at \$34,740 per year, which includes the salary received as County Legislator of \$10,743 and an additional \$23,997 to serve as Chair.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

No – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

Legislator Mullen moved for the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Legislator Standing.

REFERRED TO: LEGISLATIVE WORKSESSION COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 7-18 FIX DATES AND TIMES OF
TIOGA COUNTY LEGISLATIVE
MEETINGS

RESOLVED: That the Tioga County Legislature during 2018 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 2018 Legislative meetings shall be held at 6:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

No – Legislator Monell.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

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

REFERRED TO: ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

RESOLUTION NO. 8-18 APPOINTMENT OF
ADMINISTRATIVE CORONER

WHEREAS: The Tioga County Coroners have selected an Administrative Coroner for 2018; 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 2018 and be given a stipend of \$5,000.00 as set forth in the County budget.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

No – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

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

REFERRED TO: LEGISLATIVE WORKSESSION

RESOLUTION NO. 9-18 *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, 2018 through December 31, 2018; and be it further

RESOLVED: That Ronald E. Dougherty be hereby reappointed Director at Large for a three year term of January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2020.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

No – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

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

REFERRED TO: LEGISLATIVE WORKSESSION

RESOLUTION NO. 10-18 *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 Mullen, Sauerbrey, Roberts, Standing, Sullivan, Weston, Hollenbeck, Huttleston and Monell.

No – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:44 A.M.