

*Sixth Special Meeting*  
December 19, 2017

The Sixth Special Meeting of 2017 was called to order by the Chair at 10:15 A.M. Eight Legislative members were present, Legislator Monell being absent.

Chair Sauerbrey asked Legislator Weston to have a moment of prayer. "I would like to have a moment of silence for the people who have been displaced and lost everything in Puerto Rico and we hope that they can get back on their feet."

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

There were 2 people in attendance.

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

REFERRED TO:	LEGAL/FINANCE COMMITTEE PERSONNEL COMMITTEE
RESOLUTION NO. 326-17	<i>AUTHORIZE RETAINER AGREEMENT FOR PERSONNEL SERVICES</i>

WHEREAS: The hiring of outside counsel appears to be necessary and appropriate for comprehensive personnel services; and

WHEREAS: The law firm of Roemer, Wallens, Gold & Mineaux LLP has proposed a retainer agreement to provide Tioga County with said comprehensive personnel services; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Chair of the Legislature is authorized to execute a retainer agreement with the law firm of Roemer, Wallens, Gold & Mineaux LLP, retaining their services from January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2020 for comprehensive personnel services as set forth in said retainer agreement.

## ROLL CALL VOTE

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

No – None.

Absent – Legislator Monell.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

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

REFERRED TO: LEGISLATIVE WORKSESSION

RESOLUTION NO. 327-17      *AUTHORIZE APPOINTMENT:  
DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES*

WHEREAS: Resolution #252-17 created the Department of Emergency Services effective January 1, 2018, thereby eliminating the Fire Bureau and the Emergency Management Department; and

WHEREAS: The full-time position of Director of Emergency Services was duly advertised and posted and qualified candidates were interviewed; and

WHEREAS: The interview committee has made a recommendation to the full Legislature who supports the recommendation; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That Michael Simmons is hereby appointed provisionally, pending jurisdictional classification, to the full-time (35 hr/week) Director of Emergency Services position effective January 1, 2018 at an annual salary of \$59,000.

Legislator Mullen spoke. "I want to thank the search/interview committee. I think we picked a very highly qualified candidate and I want to thank all the Legislators for the drive to go from part-time to full-time Emergency Services. I know it was not an easy thing to do, it cost us some more money, but I think we did the right thing for the people and public safety in Tioga County. I just wanted to say thank you as the Chair of Public Safety."

Legislator Weston spoke. "I just would like to put my two cents in. I vote for it, but I just want people to remember the caveat that we had, that we were going to get a return on our monies because of having the setup the way it was there were going to be more grants available and we would qualify for more grants by having a singular head as opposed to the two split. We were supposed to look at that within a year I believe."

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

No – None.

Absent – Legislator Monell.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

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

REFERRED TO: LEGISLATIVE WORKSESSION

RESOLUTION NO. 328-17      *AUTHORIZE SALARY DEPUTY  
DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES (PT)*

WHEREAS: Resolution 252-17 created the Department of Emergency Services effective January 1, 2018; and

WHEREAS: Vacancy postings for both the Director and Deputy Director positions were issued in November; and

WHEREAS: A Director was selected by the Legislature and now the Director has reviewed the Deputy Director applications and selected a Deputy Director; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That an annual salary of \$26,000 is hereby authorized effective January 2, 2018 for Robert Williams as part-time (17hrs/week) Deputy Director of Emergency Services.

## ROLL CALL VOTE

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

No – None.

Absent – Legislator Monell.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

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

REFERRED TO: LEGISLATIVE WORKSESSION

RESOLUTION NO. 329-17      *RATIFY COLLECTIVE BARGAINING  
AGREEMENT (CSEA)*

WHEREAS: Tioga County and CSEA Unit #8850 have been negotiating a successor agreement to the 2015-2017 collective bargaining agreement; and

WHEREAS: The parties reached agreement on a contract for the period 2018-2020; and

WHEREAS: The CSEA members ratified the agreement at a vote on December 18, 2017; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the County Legislature hereby ratifies the 2018-2020 collective bargaining agreement; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the Chair of the Legislature, along with the Sheriff, is authorized to sign the Agreement as a joint employer; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the County Legislature does hereby agree to implement the funds necessary to carry out the terms and provisions of said contract.

Legislator Mullen spoke. "Just another thank you, especially to Bethany for all the hard work that she put in and all of the labor contracts that we went through. We had a long hard year and thank you and thank you to all the people upstairs. You did a great job this year in a very difficult situation. The County is in good shape for the next couple of years."

Legislator Standinger spoke. “I would just like to add that I am glad that we have those labor issues resolved, at least for a couple of years by ratifying those contracts.”

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

No – None.

Absent – Legislator Monell.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 A.M.