



Tioga County Worksession Minutes **May 9, 2024 – 1:00 p.m.**

Legislators Present:

Legislator Brown
Legislator Ciotoli
Legislator Flesher
Legislator Monell
Legislator Mullen
Chair/Legislator Sauerbrey
Legislator Standinger

Legislators Absent:

Legislator Roberts

Guests:

None

Staff present:

Peter DeWind, County Attorney
Cathy Haskell, Legislative Clerk
Amy Eiklor, Deputy Legislative Clerk
Christine Freyvogel, Secretary to the County Attorney (*Departed at 1:07 p.m.*)
Adam Bessey, Lieutenant (*Departed at 1:07 p.m.*)
Gary Howard, Sheriff

Call Meeting to Order: Chair Sauerbrey opened the meeting at 1:02 p.m.

FOIL Appeal Hearing – County Attorney DeWind:

County Attorney DeWind presented an appeal of a FOIL request for review and consideration by the Legislature. Attorney DeWind presented the original request and reasons for denial. A straw poll was conducted, with Legislator Roberts absent. The Legislators in attendance agreed to uphold the denial. A letter will be drafted for Chair Sauerbrey's signature advising the appellant of the Legislature's decision. A letter will also be sent to the Committee on Open Government.

Approval of Worksession Minutes: On motion of Legislator Monell, seconded by Legislator Brown, the April 18, 2024 minutes were approved.

Action Items:

ACTION ITEM #1 – 4/18/24 – April 18, 2024 Legislative Worksession – CCE Kitchen Lease

Legislator Brown spoke with representatives from Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE), and they do not wish to renew the lease for use of kitchen space in the basement of 56 Main Street. The lease will expire on May 31, 2024.

This action item is completed and will be removed from the Action List.

ACTION ITEM #2 – 4/18/24 – April 18, 2024 Legislative Worksession – Bronze Wall Display

Legislative Clerk Haskell reached out to MacPherson's Funeral Home and obtained a sketch of what the bronze wall display outside the Hubbard Auditorium would look like without the wording. She presented the sketch to the Legislature and stated without the wording, there would be more space for Legislator name plates. However, MacPherson Funeral Home indicated that there would not be a change in price if the wording was not included on the wall display. On a straw poll vote, all Legislators in attendance were in favor of purchasing a wall display that is consistent with the current one.

This action item is completed and will be removed from the Action List.

Legislative Support: Legislative Clerk Haskell will type the Legislative Support minutes and will be sent to the Legislators as a separate document.

Resolutions: Ms. Haskell reviewed the agenda and resolutions for the May 14, 2024 Legislature meeting with discussion occurring on the following:

- ***Resolution Opposing Senate Bill S4545/Assembly Bill A3069 Attempting to Consolidate the 109 Industrial Development Agencies into 10 Regional Industrial Development Agencies:*** Legislative Clerk Haskell explained that she put this resolution together as this Bill would consolidate Industrial Development Agencies (IDA) into regional agencies. As a result, Tioga County would be grouped with six other counties in the Southern Tier. Representation would be based on population and with larger neighboring counties, Tioga County's representation would most likely be minimal. All Legislators in attendance were in favor of keeping the resolution in the agenda packet.
- ***Authorize Contract with Thomson Reuters – Sheriff's Office:*** Legislative Clerk Haskell reported that this resolution was not presented at the Public Safety Committee meeting. This contract is typically an annual contract but will now be for five years as it is more cost effective. Legislator Standinger inquired what the CLEAR Proflex Program is. Sheriff Howard explained that the Criminal Investigation Division uses the program to assist with investigations. The program provides extensive data about individuals, which is helpful for investigations. There were no further questions, and the resolution will be included in the agenda packet.

Other: Currently we have none.

Executive Session: With no confidential matters to discuss, an Executive Session was not needed.

Meeting adjourned at 1:34 p.m.

Next Worksession scheduled for Thursday, May 23, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Eiklor

Deputy Legislative Clerk