

First Special & Organizational Meeting
January 2, 2020

The First Special and Organizational Meeting of 2020 was called to order by the Legislative Clerk at 9:01 A.M.

The following County Legislators were present:

DISTRICT 1
Clifford Balliet

DISTRICT 5
Dennis M. Mullen

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 37 people in attendance.

The Clerk asked Legislator Hollenbeck to have a moment of Prayer.
“Dear God, please help us, the Legislature, make the best decisions for the upcoming New Year for the County of Tioga.”

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

The Clerk recognized and congratulated the County's newly elected officials for 2020: Coroner Ryan Kline, Coroner Robert Williams, County Clerk Andrea Klett, and County Sheriff Gary Howard.

County Clerk Andrea Klett swore in Sheriff Gary Howard, Undersheriff Wayne Moulton, and Coroner Robert Williams. Coroner Ryan Kline was unable to attend, therefore, will be sworn-in on a later date and County Clerk Klett was previously sworn-in by Judge Keene.

Sheriff Howard spoke. “I want to thank everyone, especially my biggest fan; my wife. I want to thank everyone who works at the Sheriff's Office. Without them we would not be safe, they are very dedicated and they love the Sheriff's Office and Tioga County as much as I do, so I want to thank you very much.”

Undersheriff Moulton spoke. "I would like to thank Sheriff Howard and the Legislature."

The Clerk announced that the first order of business for the Legislature was the election of Chair of the Legislature for 2020 for a one-year term. Legislator Sullivan nominated Legislator Sauerbrey, seconded by Legislator Hollenbeck. Legislator Sullivan moved to close the nominations, seconded by Legislator Mullen. On roll call vote, all members voted Aye, the Clerk cast one ballot, and Legislator Sauerbrey was appointed Chair of the Tioga County Legislature for a one-year term for 2020.

County Clerk Andrea Klett swore Legislator Sauerbrey in as Chair of the Tioga County Legislature for 2020.

Chair Sauerbrey spoke. "I am really proud to serve as a member of this Legislature and serve with all these great folks. I really appreciate your support as Chair of the Legislature. Over the holiday, I was thinking about all the years we have served on this Legislature and it seems like the majority of the time is spent addressing the new laws and mandates from the State that they send down to us. It takes away our focus and distracts us from the planning of our own future like upgrading communications systems. As we move forward and begin this New Year, it is important that we consider how to improve our systems and how best to run our government. Regarding space, the needs have stretched the planning for the future and that is a challenge for us. Happy New Year to everyone. This year will pass quickly and it will be time for all of us to consider running for office next year whether we decide to stay or step away, so let us make this year a year of progress for Tioga County and that we take ownership of our future. Thank you."

The Chair announced the next order of business is nominations for a First Deputy Chair for a one-year term. Legislator Monell nominated Legislator Hollenbeck, seconded by Legislator Mullen. Legislator Sullivan moved to close the nominations, seconded by Legislator Mullen. On roll call vote, all members voted Aye, the Chair cast one ballot, and Legislator Hollenbeck was appointed First Deputy Chair of the Tioga County Legislature for a one-year term for 2020.

The Chair called for nominations for a Second Deputy Chair for a one-year term. Legislator Hollenbeck nominated Legislator Weston, 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 Chair cast one ballot and Legislator Weston was appointed Second Deputy Chair of the Tioga County Legislature for a one-year term.

County Clerk Andrea Klett swore in Legislators Hollenbeck and Weston as First and Second Deputy Chairs of the Tioga County Legislature for 2020.

The Chair called for nominations for Public Information Officer. Legislator Mullen nominated Legislative Chairwoman Sauerbrey, seconded by Legislator Balliet. Legislator Monell moved to close the nominations, seconded by Legislator Mullen. On roll call vote, all Legislators voted for Legislative Chairwoman Sauerbrey to serve as Public Information Officer, and the Chair cast one ballot and Chairwoman Sauerbrey was appointed Public Information Officer for a one-year term.

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

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

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

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

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 nothing to disclose."

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

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

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

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

REFERRED TO: LEGISLATIVE WORKSESSION

RESOLUTION NO. 1-20 *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 Hollenbeck, Monell, Mullen, Sauerbrey, Roberts, Standinger, Sullivan, Weston, and Balliet

No – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

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

REFERRED TO: LEGISLATIVE WORKSESSION

RESOLUTION NO. 2-20 *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
M&T Securities, Inc.	\$30,000,000

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

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. 3-20 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 Hollenbeck, Monell, Mullen, Sauerbrey, Roberts, Standinger, Sullivan, Weston, and Balliet

No – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

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

REFERRED TO: LEGISLATIVE WORKSESSION

RESOLUTION NO. 4-20 *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 Hollenbeck, Monell, Mullen, Sauerbrey, Roberts, Standing, Sullivan, Weston, and Balliet

No – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

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

REFERRED TO: LEGISLATIVE WORKSESSION

RESOLUTION NO. 5-20 *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 Hollenbeck, Monell, Mullen, Sauerbrey, Roberts, Standing, Sullivan, Weston, and Balliet

No – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

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

REFERRED TO: LEGISLATIVE WORKSESSION

RESOLUTION NO. 6-20 SET SALARY OF CHAIR

RESOLVED: That the salary of the Chair of the Tioga County Legislature be set at \$36,675.00 per year, which includes the salary received as County Legislator of \$11,341.00 and an additional \$25,334.00 to serve as Chair.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

No – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

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

REFERRED TO: LEGISLATIVE WORKSESSION

RESOLUTION NO. 7-20 FIX DATES AND TIMES OF TIOGA COUNTY LEGISLATIVE MEETINGS

RESOLVED: That the Tioga County Legislature during 2020 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 2020 Legislative meetings shall be held at 6:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Yes – Legislators Mullen, Sauerbrey, Roberts, Standinger, Weston, and Balliet

No – Legislators Hollenbeck, Monell, and Sullivan.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

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

REFERRED TO: LEGISLATIVE WORKSESSION

RESOLUTION NO. 8-20 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 Hollenbeck, Monell, Mullen, Sauerbrey, Roberts, Standing, Sullivan, Weston, and Balliet

No – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:17 A.M.