

# COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING MINUTES

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Location: **Supervisors' Chambers, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the government center.**

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<b>Board of Supervisors w/B. Ryan</b>			
<p>1. An update was provided to the Supervisors regarding technical difficulties at a few polling sites.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Some of the new machines were having difficulty reading ballots.</li> <li>• Ballots have since been reprinted and are in the process of being redistributed to towns experiencing these difficulties.</li> <li>• Election Commissioner Schlick told members of the press that the emergency ballot boxes were opened on the back of the machines. Ballots are locked in until the end of the night. Anyone wishing to be present at this time are welcome. Ballots will be delivered by Deputy Sheriff to the Board of Elections for counting by another machine over the next few days. He assured everyone that all votes will be counted! Officials from both major political parties will be present during the counting of these ballots.</li> <li>• Post Committee Update:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ FYI – all ballots were scanned through our scanning machine located at the BOE on the morning of 11/9/2022. All ballots went through and were counted. No manual count was necessary.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		<p>Motion:</p> <p>Ayes:</p> <p>Noes:</p> <p>Absent:</p>	<p>Carried:</p> <p>Defeated:</p> <p>Referred to:</p>
<b>Board of Supervisors w/B. Kehl</b>			
<p>2. <b>Creation of a County Administrator</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Committee Chair Kehl commented that he would like to “get the ball rolling.”</li> <li>• Supervisor Becker, T/Sheldon agreed</li> <li>• Supervisor Grant, T/Bennington suggested the Board decide what it is they are looking for in a County Administrator and ask County Department Heads what it is they would be looking for in the position.                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Implementation of the county’s strategic plan?</li> </ul> </li> <li>• HR Director Farberman was instructed to “dust off the Job Spec.” created roughly one year ago and distribute to the Supervisors.</li> <li>• Board Clerk Ketchum was instructed to distribute Local Law 17, 1993, creation of a County Administrator.</li> <li>• The Board Chair currently earns \$53,856/year and the Vice Chair earns a \$5,000 stipend.</li> <li>• Supervisors earn \$10,500/year</li> <li>• A \$20K stipend for overseeing operations at the hospital was discontinued when Supervisor Davis became Chairman in 2020.</li> </ul>		<p>Motion:</p> <p>Ayes:</p> <p>Noes:</p> <p>Absent:</p>	<p>Carried:</p> <p>Defeated:</p> <p>Referred to:</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Board Chair Ryan anticipates a \$33,000 reduction to the Chairman's salary upon hiring of a County Administrator.</li> <li>• Supervisor McCormick, T/Java suggested the creation of a subcommittee to review Job Specs and the Local Law. She and Supervisor Grant, T/Bennington commented on liking bits and pieces of each while other parts needed to be updated.</li> <li>• <b>Subcommittee:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Grant, Davis, McCormick, Leuer and Ryan</b></li> </ul> </li> <li>• Supervisor Leuer, T/Middlebury questioned whether the Board was creating the position of County Administrator or the Department of the County Administrator as he wondered what a County Administrator would require for staff.</li> <li>• What kind of oversight would the County Administrator provide to WCCH?</li> <li>• Supervisor King, T/Pike envisioned the position would mostly oversee government side v. WCCH side.</li> <li>• Supervisors were hoping to have something to post by March 2023, start interviewing April/May 2023</li> <li>• It was suggested that the Department Heads be given an opportunity to provide input on what they would require of a County Administrator. (Survey – Survey Monkey)</li> <li>• 1<sup>st</sup> Subcommittee meeting can be scheduled for next week</li> </ul>			
<p>There was a discussion relative to an e-mail received on Friday, November 4, 2022 from Megan Gillespie, Legal Asst. for Young/Summer, LLC. The e-mail was in regards to ORES Matter No. 22-00032: AES Clean Energy Development, LLC: Notice of Public Comment Period and Oral Argument</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">221104 Service List Mail Email Svc Notice Req Declaratory Ruling</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">221024 ORES Notice of Req for Declaratory Ruling</a></li> </ul> <p>On October 24, 2022, Chief Administrative Law Judge James T. McClymonds, New York State Office of Renewable Energy Siting, issued a Memorandum to the Applicant, directing the Applicant to serve the <i>Notice of Request for a Declaratory Ruling, Public Comment Period, and Oral Argument</i> (“the Notice”) upon the municipalities and local agencies, if any, which would be affected by the declaratory ruling request. Chief Judge McClymonds’ Memorandum authorized electronic service of the <i>Notice</i>. In accordance with the directives in the Memorandum, attached, please find a copy of the <i>Notice</i>, and a copy of the Service List to which it is being served. Today, via USPS First Class Mail, one (1) printed paper of the <i>Notice</i> will be mailed to each person and/or entity on the Service List.</p>		<p>Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:</p>	<p>Carried: Defeated: Referred to:</p>

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<p>It was decided that a letter supporting the exclusion would be submitted by the Board of Supervisors on behalf of the Eagle project.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Letter attached.</a></li> </ul>			
<p><b>Update on EMS/Monroe</b> Supervisor Kehl, T/Attica and Board Chair Ryan, T/Warsaw reported on meeting with Budget Officer Cook, B. Meyers and B. Streicher.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$4,100/day lease equipment and employees</li> <li>• County to handle billing</li> <li>• This plan gives the county time to transition to a countywide program.</li> </ul> <p>Supervisor Brick, T/Perry mentioned hearing of a letter Monroe Ambulance recently sent to volunteer fire departments within the county regarding charges from Monroe Ambulance.</p>		<p>Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:</p>	<p>Carried: Defeated: Referred to:</p>

Signature of Committee Chairman: p/B. Ryan ( C. Ketchum ).

Next meeting scheduled for **Tuesday, December 13, 2022 @ 1:00 PM.**