

**ALLEGANY COUNTY BOARD OF LEGISLATORS  
REGULAR SESSION**

**FEBRUARY 11, 2019**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The regular meeting of the Board of Legislators was called to order at 2:01 p.m. by Vice-Chairman Philip B. Curran.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:** The Pledge of Allegiance was led by former United States Army Specialist Fifth Class Richard N. Bennett.

**INVOCATION:** The Invocation was given by Legislator William G. Dibble.

**ROLL CALL:** 14 Legislators Present: Gary Barnes, Janice Burdick, Philip Curran, David Decker, William Dibble, Dwight Fanton, Karl Graves, Brooke Harris, Steven Havey, Dwight "Mike" Healy, Judith Hopkins, John Ricci, Debra Root, Philip Stockin (Absent: Curtis Crandall)

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

The Board meeting minutes of January 25, 2019, were approved on a motion made by Legislator Graves, seconded by Legislator Stockin, and carried.

**PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:**

Vice-Chairman Curran presented a certificate to Richard N. Bennett, former United States Army Specialist Fifth Class, in grateful appreciation of his service to our country. Mr. Bennett's service dates were from November 3, 1966, to November 1, 1968. Following Basic Training at Fort Dix, NJ, he attended Advanced Individual Training at Fort Belvoir, VA, where he was stationed for the remainder of his service. Commendations he received included: Army Good Conduct Medal, Defense Service Medal, and Marksmanship Badge for the M-14. Mr. Bennett led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag at the beginning of the meeting as part of the Veterans' Honorary Pledge of Allegiance Program. Mr. Bennett remarked that it was a great privilege to be asked to lead the Pledge of Allegiance. He said, we are in tumultuous times. I'm hoping this legislature will not support the legalization of marijuana. He then quoted two bible passages. Mr. Bennett said to the Board, please do what you can to keep this country great.

Vice-Chairman Curran read a memorandum from Chairman Crandall regarding an article published in *Buffalo Business First* on February 7, 2019. The article looked at the economies of all 48 upstate New York Counties based on population, gross domestic product, private sector businesses, private sector workers, and average weekly wages in the private sector. Allegany County fairs well in the study. The article states, "No Western New York county fared better than Allegany and Erie, which tied for 10<sup>th</sup> place." Chairman Crandall stated, "Many factors contribute to the rise and fall of these economic indicators, but it's important to note that Allegany County has worked hard both in the public and private

sector to improve our standing over the years. To me, this is a clear sign that the pride, determination, and quality of our workforce and business leaders is paying off.”

#### **ACKNOWLEDGMENTS, COMMUNICATIONS, REPORTS, ETC.:**

1. 2018 Legislators’ Compensation Table
2. Report of Tax Bill Corrections Approved by the County Administrator in January
3. Report of Intrafund Transfers Approved by the County Administrator in January
4. Notice of next InterCounty Association meeting to be hosted by Monroe County at the Greater Rochester International Airport
5. Financial Reports for the period ending November 30, 2018, for the Allegany County Agricultural Society
6. Financial Reports for 2017 and 2018 as well as a proposed budget for 2019 from the Allegany County Association for the Blind and Visually Handicapped
7. Correspondence from Workers’ Compensation Executive Secretary Heather Bedow inviting Board members to attend the Safety Awards Programs and Luncheons on March 20, 21, 27, and 28. Please RSVP by March 13.

#### **APPOINTMENTS:**

Chairman Curtis W. Crandall appointed Susan Stout of Wellsville, New York, as a member of the **CITIZENS ADVISORY COUNCIL TO THE OFFICE FOR THE AGING** for a three-year term commencing February 11, 2019, and expiring December 31, 2021, subject to confirmation by the Board of Legislators.

#### **RESOLUTIONS:**

##### **RESOLUTION NO. 31-19**

##### **APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT WITH ALLEGANY COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY FOR PAYMENT OF 2019 BUDGETARY APPROPRIATION**

Offered by: Resource Management Committee

#### **RESOLVED:**

1. That the Agreement between the County of Allegany and the Allegany County Agricultural Society is approved.

2. That the Chairman of this Board is authorized to execute said Agreement.

3. That the County Treasurer, upon receipt of a true copy of said Agreement, is authorized and directed to remit to said Society the sum of \$8,000 and charge Account No. A8752.492 (Agricultural Society) therefor.

Moved by: Mr. Decker  
Seconded by: Mr. Graves

Adopted: Voice Vote

#### **AUDITS:**

A motion was made by Legislator Stockin, seconded by Legislator Healy, and carried, that the audits be acted upon collectively and by totals.

A motion was made by Legislator Stockin, seconded by Legislator Root, and adopted on a roll call vote of 14 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent, that the audit of claims, totaling \$3,201,367.21 including prepaid expenses, be approved for payment as recommended by the County Administrator. (*Allegany County's Local Dollar Share of the NYS Medicaid Program paid year-to-date is \$1,097,850.*)

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 2:17 p.m. on a motion made by Legislator Graves, seconded by Legislator Decker, and carried.