

*First Special & Organizational Meeting*  
January 3, 2022

The First Special and Organizational Meeting of 2022 was called to order by the Legislative Clerk at 9:03 A.M.

The following County Legislators were present:

DISTRICT 1  
Ronald C. Ciotoli

DISTRICT 5  
Dennis M. Mullen

DISTRICT 2  
Martha C. Sauerbrey

DISTRICT 6  
Dale N. Weston

DISTRICT 3  
Barbara Roberts

DISTRICT 7  
William H. Standinger, III  
Ed Hollenbeck

DISTRICT 4  
W. Jake Brown  
S. Tracy Monell

There were 23 people in attendance.

The Clerk asked Legislator Weston to have a moment of Prayer.  
"Let us pray. As we enter this New Year, let our prayer be this. We will be there for one another as fellow members of humanity in the finest sense of the word."

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

The Clerk welcomed and congratulated the County's newly elected Legislators for 2022; Legislator Brown, Legislator Ciotoli, and Legislator Roberts. The Clerk also congratulated and recognized incumbent Legislators Hollenbeck, Monell, Mullen, Sauerbrey, Standinger, and Weston on their new term of office for 2022.

County Clerk Andrea Klett swore in all nine elected Legislators for their new term of office for 2022.

The Clerk recognized and congratulated incumbent County Treasurer McFadden, District Attorney Martin, and newly elected Coroner Lewis on their new four-year term of office for 2022.

County Clerk Andrea Klett swore in County Treasurer McFadden and District Attorney Martin for their new four-year term of office commencing January 1, 2022 – December 31, 2025. Coroner Keith Lewis was unable to attend and will be sworn-in on a later date with County Clerk Klett.

The Clerk announced the first order of business for the Legislature was the election of Chair of the Legislature for 2022 for a one-year term. Legislator Hollenbeck nominated Legislator Sauerbrey, seconded by Legislator Mullen. Legislator Monell moved to close the nominations, seconded by Legislator Hollenbeck. 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 2022.

County Clerk Andrea Klett swore in Legislator Sauerbrey as Chair of the Tioga County Legislature for 2022.

Legislative Chair Sauerbrey presided over the remainder of the meeting.

Legislative Chair Sauerbrey spoke. "First of all, I am deeply honored to be elected as Chair of the Tioga County Legislature. Running a government is really important and I am very proud of the work that we have done and I am looking forward to working with our three new Legislators. I am believing that 2022 will be a much better year, that we will get over this pandemic and we can move into the future. I am really looking forward to making some positive changes for the future. Again, I thank you for your support."

The Legislative Chair announced the next order of business is the nominations for First Deputy Chair for a one-year term. Legislator Mullen nominated Legislator Hollenbeck, seconded by Legislator Monell. Legislator Monell moved to close the nominations, seconded by Legislator Hollenbeck. On roll call vote, all members voted Aye, the Legislative Chair cast one ballot, and Legislator Hollenbeck was appointed First Deputy Chair of the Tioga County Legislature for a one-year term for 2022.

The Legislative Chair called for nominations for Second Deputy Chair for a one-year term. Legislator Standinger nominated Legislator Weston, seconded by Legislator Mullen. Legislator Mullen moved to close the nominations, seconded by Legislator Hollenbeck. On roll call vote, all members voted Aye, the Chair cast

one ballot, and Legislator Weston was appointed Second Deputy Chair of the Tioga County Legislature for a one-year term for 2022.

County Clerk Andrea Klett swore in Legislators Hollenbeck and Weston as First and Second Deputy Chairs of the Tioga County Legislature for 2022.

The Legislative Chair called for nominations for County Attorney. Legislator Monell nominated Peter DeWind, seconded by Legislator Mullen. Legislator Hollenbeck moved to close the nominations, seconded by Legislator Mullen. On roll call vote, all Legislators voted for Peter DeWind as County Attorney, the Legislative Chair cast one ballot, and Peter DeWind was appointed County Attorney for a four-year term commencing January 1, 2022 – December 31, 2025.

The Legislative Chair called for nominations for Legislative Clerk. Legislator Weston nominated Cathy Haskell, seconded by Legislator Hollenbeck. Legislator Mullen moved to close the nominations, seconded by Legislator Monell. On roll call vote, all Legislators voted for Cathy Haskell as Legislative Clerk, the Legislative Chair cast one ballot, and Cathy Haskell was appointed Legislative Clerk for a four-year term commencing January 1, 2022 – December 31, 2025.

The Legislative Chair called for nominations for Budget Officer. Legislator Monell nominated Jackson Bailey, seconded by Legislator Hollenbeck. Legislator Mullen moved to close the nominations, seconded by Legislator Monell. On roll call vote, all Legislators voted for Jackson Bailey as Budget Officer, the Legislative Chair cast one ballot, and Jackson Bailey was appointed Budget Officer for a four-year term commencing January 1, 2022 – December 31, 2025.

The Legislative Chair called for nominations for Public Defender. Legislator Monell nominated George Awad, seconded by Legislator Mullen. Legislator Hollenbeck moved to close the nominations, seconded by Legislator Monell. On roll call vote, all Legislators voted for George Awad as Public Defender, the Legislative Chair cast one ballot, and George Awad was appointed Public Defender for a four-year term commencing January 1, 2022 – December 31, 2025.

County Clerk Andrea Klett swore in Peter DeWind, County Attorney, Cathy Haskell, Legislative Clerk, and Jackson Bailey, Budget Officer for their new four-year term of office commencing January 1, 2022 – December 31, 2025. Public Defender George Awad was unable to attend today's meeting, however, prior arrangements were made and County Clerk Klett swore in George Awad, Public Defender, prior to today's meeting for his four-year term commencing January 1, 2022 – December 31, 2025.

The Legislative Chair called for nominations for Public Information Officer. Legislator Monell nominated Legislative Chair Sauerbrey, seconded by Legislator Hollenbeck. Legislator Hollenbeck moved to close the nominations, seconded by Legislator Roberts. On roll call vote, all Legislators voted for Legislative Chair Sauerbrey to serve as Public Information Officer, the Chair cast one ballot, and Legislative Chair Sauerbrey was appointed Public Information Officer for a one-year term for 2022.

The Legislative Chair called for nominations for Republican Majority Leader. Legislator Weston nominated Legislator Standinger, seconded by Legislator Mullen. Legislator Hollenbeck moved to close the nominations, seconded by Legislator Monell. On roll call vote, all Legislators voted for Legislator Standinger to serve as Republican Majority Leader, the Chair cast one ballot, and Legislator Standinger was appointed Republican Majority Leader for a one-year term for 2022.

Chair Sauerbrey announced the following Standing Committees for 2022:

### **STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF THE COUNTY OF TIOGA FOR 2022**

	<b>Chairman</b>			
<b>1. Administrative Services (County Clerk, Historian, Real Property, Veterans, Elections)</b>	<b>Ciotoli</b>	Standinger	Brown	Hollenbeck
<b>2. Economic Development/ Planning/Tourism/ Agriculture</b>	<b>Roberts</b>	Ciotoli	Mullen	Weston
<b>3. Finance/Legal &amp; Safety</b>	<b>Monell</b>	All Legislators		
<b>4. Information Technology</b>	<b>Brown</b>	Ciotoli	Monell	Mullen
<b>5. Legislative Worksessions/ Legislative Support</b>	<b>Sauerbrey</b>	All Legislators		
<b>6. Health &amp; Human Services</b>	<b>Standinger</b>	Brown	Monell	Mullen
<b>7. Public Safety/Probation &amp; DWI</b>	<b>Mullen</b>	Hollenbeck	Roberts	Standinger
<b>8. Public Works/Capital Projects</b>	<b>Weston</b>	Standinger	Roberts	Ciotoli
<b>9. Personnel/ADA/Right to Know</b>	<b>Hollenbeck</b>	Brown	Monell	Weston



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

REFERRED TO: FINANCE/LEGAL COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 2-22 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 Weston, Brown, Ciotoli, Hollenbeck, Monell, Mullen, Roberts, Sauerbrey, Standinger.

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. 3-22 *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 Weston, Brown, Ciotoli, Hollenbeck, Monell, Mullen, Roberts, Sauerbrey, Standinger.

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. 4-22 *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 Weston, Brown, Ciotoli, Hollenbeck, Monell, Mullen, Roberts, Sauerbrey, Standinger.

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. 5-22      *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 Weston, Brown, Ciotoli, Hollenbeck, Monell, Mullen, Roberts, Sauerbrey, Standinger.

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. 6-22      *SET SALARY OF CHAIR*

RESOLVED: That the salary of the Chair of the Tioga County Legislature be set at \$50,000.00 per year, which includes the salary received as County Legislator of \$11,851.00 and an additional \$38,149.00 to serve as Chair.

Legislator Mullen spoke. "This was discussed last year and I am very pleased that the Legislature, including the three newly retired Legislators, decided this position be remunerated for the amount of work that has been done and historically been done, especially by Chair Sauerbrey. I really appreciate all your hard work over the last couple years and I am glad we were able to do something for you because it was sinful before, in my opinion, for the number of hours you put in. Not many people know how many hours Marte actually works. It's insane. Thank you."



## ROLL CALL VOTE

Yes – Legislators Weston, Brown, Ciotoli, Hollenbeck, Monell, Mullen, Roberts, Sauerbrey, Standinger.

No – None.

Absent – None.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

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

REFERRED TO: LEGISLATIVE WORKSESSION

RESOLUTION NO. 7-22                      *FIX DATES AND TIMES OF  
TIOGA COUNTY LEGISLATIVE MEETINGS*

RESOLVED: That the Tioga County Legislature during 2022 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.

## ROLL CALL VOTE

Yes – Legislators Weston, Brown, Ciotoli, Hollenbeck, Monell, Mullen, Roberts, Sauerbrey, Standinger.

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. 8-22                      *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 Weston, Brown, Ciotoli, Hollenbeck, Monell, Mullen, Roberts, Sauerbrey, Standinger.

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. 9-22                      *APPOINT DIRECTORS  
SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT*

RESOLVED: That Legislators Dale Weston and Tracy Monell are hereby appointed Directors of the Tioga County Soil and Water Conservation District for a one-year term on January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Yes – Legislators Weston, Brown, Ciotoli, Hollenbeck, Monell, Mullen, Roberts, Sauerbrey, Standinger.

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. 10-22                      *APPOINT COUNTY AUDITOR  
AND DEPUTY COUNTY AUDITOR*

WHEREAS: The County is required to appoint a County Auditor and Deputy County Auditor to process and review the Accounts Payable transactions through Purchase Orders and Purchase Card transactions submitted by County Departments for payment of a variety of bills; and

WHEREAS: The terms for these appointments coincide with Legislator Group One and are due for reappointment as of January 1, 2022; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That Cathy Haskell, be and hereby is appointed County Auditor for a four (4) year term, commencing January 1, 2022 and ending December 31, 2025; and be it further

RESOLVED: That Amy Eiklor be and hereby is appointed Deputy Tioga County Auditor, to act in the absence of the County Auditor, said term to be the same as that of the County Auditor.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE

Yes – Legislators Weston, Brown, Ciotoli, Hollenbeck, Monell, Mullen, Roberts, Sauerbrey, Standinger.

No – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

Chair Sauerbrey thanked everyone for attending and congratulated everyone on their newly elected/appointed terms for 2022.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:31 A.M.