

***FIRST DAY  
FOR ORGANIZATION AND SELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON  
Pursuant to Resolution 469 of 2017, adopted November 28, 2017***

Johnstown, NY

January 2, 2018

Roll Call – Quorum Present

Supervisors: Argotsinger, Blackmon, Born, Bradt, Breh, Callery, Fagan, Greene, Groff, Handy, Kinowski, Lauria, Perry, Potter, Rice, Selmsler, Waldron, Wilson, Young

TOTAL: Present: 19 Absent: 1 (Supervisor Howard)

The Organizational Meeting was called to order by Administrative Officer/Clerk of the Board Jon R. Stead, at 10:00 a.m. Following the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, Mr. Stead welcomed everyone and wished everyone a very happy New Year. Mr. Stead stated that the occasion of the Organizational Meeting is a good time to thank our military personnel, public works employees and first responders working all across our country on our behalf. He then requested that everyone bow their heads in prayer or a moment of silence to honor and remember members of the military, police or other emergency responders that have died serving our country.

Mr. Stead, then acknowledged Sheriff Richard Giardino, who was in attendance.

Mr. Stead introduced County Clerk Linda Kollar who was present to administer the Oath of Office to Supervisors.

Supervisor Handy then moved for a Republican Caucus. The Board recessed for the Caucus at 10:05 a.m. and reconvened into Regular Session at 10:15 a.m.

Nominations were then made for Temporary Chairman, with Supervisor Callery nominating Supervisor Wilson. Supervisor Bradt seconded the nomination. The Clerk then called for other nominations. There being no other nominations, the polls were closed upon a motion by Supervisor Argotsinger, seconded by Supervisor Greene and members voted to support the nomination.

Temporary Chairman Wilson assumed the chair at the dais and asked for nominations for Chairman of the Board for 2018. Supervisor Fagan placed the name of James Groff, of Town of Northampton, in nomination for Chairman of the Board. He noted that he has worked with Mr. Groff in the past on union negotiations. He said that you may disagree with Mr. Groff and have a difference of opinion, but Jim will still respect your opinion and work cooperatively. He advised that Mr. Groff would do a great job as Chairman.

The motion was seconded by Supervisor Kinowski. The Temporary Chairman then asked if there were other nominations. The polls were closed upon a motion by Supervisor Potter, seconded by Supervisor Waldron. The motion for Chairman of the Board carried unanimously in the form of Resolution No. 1.

Supervisors Groff and Kinowski escorted Chairman Groff to the dais.

Chairman Groff thanked everyone for the nomination and stated that he did not have an ambitious personal agenda, but he hoped to see the County's key infrastructure projects that are underway continue, such as the "SMART Waters Initiatives" and the Vail Mills Development area construction projects. He added that he would like to see the County's Demolition Team "get back on track" and able to complete more projects in the next couple years.

Chairman Groff then called for nominations for Vice Chairman of the Board for 2018. Supervisor Callery nominated Supervisor Wilson. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Bradt. Chairman Groff then asked if there were other nominations. Supervisor Argotsinger moved that the polls be closed. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Greene and members voted to close the polls.

A vote was held and unanimously approved in the form of Resolution No. 2.

Action was then taken on Resolutions 3 through 13. At the conclusion of the meeting, Chairman Groff distributed the 2018 Standing Committee and Special Committee assignments.

There being no other business, Supervisor Perry moved that the Board adjourn until January 8, 2018 at 1:00 p.m. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Blackmon and unanimously carried.

The Board adjourned at 10:27 a.m.

*Certified by:*

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*Jon R. Stead, Administrative Officer/      DATE*  
*Clerk of the Board*

**Resolution No. 1**

Supervisor FAGAN offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION NAMING CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
OF THE COUNTY OF FULTON FOR THE YEAR 2018

RESOLVED, That James Groff of Town of Northampton, NY, be and hereby is named Chairman of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Fulton for the year 2018.

Seconded by Supervisor KINOWSKI and adopted by the following vote:

Total: Ayes: 19 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 (Supervisor Howard)

**Resolution No. 2**

Supervisor CALLERY offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION NAMING VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
OF THE COUNTY OF FULTON FOR THE YEAR 2018

RESOLVED, That Jack Wilson of Town of Johnstown, NY, be and hereby is named Vice Chairman of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Fulton for the year 2018.

Seconded by Supervisor BRADT and adopted by the following vote:

Total: Ayes: 19 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 (Supervisor Howard)

**Resolution No. 3**

Supervisor CALLERY offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE RULES OF ORDER FOR THE YEAR 2018

RESOLVED, That the Rules of Order, as adopted January 8, 1990, and any and all amendments made thereto (last revised December 29, 2012) be and hereby are adopted as the Rules of Order of the Board for the year 2018.

Seconded by Supervisor GREENE and adopted by the following vote:

Total: Ayes: 19 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 (Supervisor Howard)

**Resolution No. 4**

Supervisor LAURIA offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION APPOINTING JOHN V. ZAWADZKI DEMOCRAT BOARD OF  
ELECTIONS COMMISSIONER

WHEREAS, Lynne Rubscha, Democrat Commissioner, tendered her resignation, effective December 31, 2017; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 662 of 2008 fixed a two-year term for Board of Elections Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the Fulton County Democrat Committee has filed with the Board of Supervisors a recommendation that John V. Zawadzki be appointed Board of Elections Commissioner to fulfill the remainder of Lynne Rubscha's term through December 31, 2018; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED That the Fulton County Board of Supervisors, upon the recommendation of the Fulton County Democrat Committee, hereby appoints John V. Zawadzki, of Gloversville, NY, as Board of Elections Commissioner of Fulton County, effective January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, John V. Zawadzki, Fulton County Democratic Committee, Fulton County Clerk, as provided by Section 30, Subdivision 3 of the Election Law, Administrative Officer/Clerk of the Board, and to each and every other person, institution or agency which will further the purport of this Resolution.

Seconded by Supervisor BORN and adopted by the following vote:

Total: Ayes: 19 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 (Supervisor Howard)

**Resolution No. 5**

Supervisor FAGAN offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/CLERK OF THE BOARD  
AND PROVIDING FOR DEPUTIES THERETO**

RESOLVED, That Jon R. Stead, Town of Northampton, NY, be and hereby is appointed Administrative Officer/Clerk of the Board for the County of Fulton, effective from January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2019, at a salary reflected in the annual Non-Union Salary Structure, to be paid in bi-weekly installments; such appointment to include those duties related to Purchasing Agent, Public Relations Director and Records Access Officer; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Administrative Officer/Clerk of the Board be and hereby is authorized to appoint a Deputy Clerk, at an annual sum not to exceed \$6,000.00, to be paid in bi-weekly installments, effective from and as of January 1, 2018; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Administrative Officer/Clerk of the Board be and hereby is authorized and empowered to appoint a Deputy Purchasing Agent, at an annual sum not to exceed \$4,000.00, to be paid in bi-weekly installments, effective from and as of January 1, 2018; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the salaries for the Administrative Officer/Clerk of the Board and Deputy Clerk of the Board shall be provided from Appropriation Account A.1010.1010-1000 EXP-Payroll; and the salary for the Deputy Purchasing Agent shall be provided from Appropriation Account A.1010.1345-1000 EXP-Payroll; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, County Clerk, Personnel Director, Budget Director/County Auditor and Administrative Officer/Clerk of the Board.

Seconded by Supervisor HANDY and adopted by the following vote:

Total: Ayes: 19 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 (Supervisor Howard)

**Resolution No. 6**

Supervisor CALLERY offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING COUNTY ATTORNEY**

RESOLVED, That Jason Brott of Town of Mayfield, NY, be and hereby is appointed County Attorney for the County of Fulton for a term beginning January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2019; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Attorney be and hereby is authorized to appoint an Assistant County Attorney at a salary reflected in the annual Non-Union Salary Structure, to be paid in bi-weekly installments, effective from and as of January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2019; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Attorney be and hereby is further authorized to hire secretarial services to assist him in his duties and responsibilities at a rate of \$13.50 per hour, at 24 hours per week; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, County Clerk, Personnel Director, County Attorney, Budget Director/County Auditor and Administrative Officer/Clerk of the Board.

Seconded by Supervisor KINOWSKI and adopted by the following vote:

Total: Ayes: 19 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 (Supervisor Howard)



**Resolution No. 7**

Supervisor WILSON offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING BUDGET DIRECTOR/COUNTY AUDITOR**

RESOLVED, That pursuant to the provisions of Article 7, Section 351 of County Law, Alice Kuntzsch, of Town of Broadalbin, NY, be and hereby is appointed Budget Director of Fulton County, at a salary reflected in the annual Non-Union Salary Structure, effective January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2019; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That pursuant to the provisions of Article 16, Section 625 of County Law, Alice Kuntzsch be and hereby is further assigned the duties and responsibilities of County Auditor, as prescribed in said statute, effective January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2019; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Treasurer is hereby authorized to pay said salary to such Budget Director/County Auditor in equal bi-weekly installments; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, County Clerk, Personnel Director, Budget Director/County Auditor, Deputy Budget Director and Administrative Officer/ Clerk of the Board.

Seconded by Supervisor WALDRON and adopted by the following vote:

Total: Ayes: 19 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 (Supervisor Howard)

**Resolution No. 8**

Supervisor BLACKMON offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION APPOINTING DIRECTOR OF  
INFORMATION SERVICES/PRINTING

RESOLVED, That Perry Lovell, of Johnstown, NY, be and hereby is appointed Director of Information Services/Printing, for a term beginning January 1, 2018 and ending December 31, 2019; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Treasurer is hereby authorized to pay such Director a salary reflected in the annual Non-Union Salary Structure in equal bi-weekly installments; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, County Clerk, Personnel Director, Information Services/Printing Director, Budget Director/ County Auditor and Administrative Officer/ Clerk of the Board.

Seconded by Supervisor CALLERY and adopted by the following vote:

Total: Ayes: 19 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 (Supervisor Howard)

**Resolution No. 9**

Supervisor KINOWSKI offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING COUNTY HISTORIAN**

RESOLVED, That Samantha Hall-Saladino of Gloversville, NY, be and hereby is appointed County Historian for Fulton County, for a term beginning January 1, 2018 and ending December 31, 2019; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Treasurer is hereby authorized to pay such Director a salary reflected in the annual Non-Union Salary structure in equal bi-weekly installments; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, County Clerk, Personnel Director, Samantha Hall-Saladino, Budget Director/County Auditor and Administrative Officer/Clerk of the Board.

Seconded by Supervisor YOUNG and adopted by the following vote:

Total: Ayes: 19 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 (Supervisor Howard)

**Resolution No. 10**

Supervisor WALDRON offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING OFFICE FOR THE AGING DIRECTOR**

RESOLVED, That Andrea Fettinger, of Johnstown, NY, be and hereby is appointed Director of the Office for the Aging for Fulton County, for a term beginning January 1, 2018 and ending December 31, 2019; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Treasurer is hereby authorized to pay such Director a salary reflected in the annual Non-Union Salary Structure in equal bi-weekly installments; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, County Clerk, Personnel Director, OFA Director, Budget Director/County Auditor and Administrative Officer/Clerk of the Board.

Seconded by Supervisor GREENE and adopted by the following vote:

Total: Ayes: 19 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 (Supervisor Howard)

**Resolution No. 11**

Supervisor BREH offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING FIRE COORDINATOR/  
CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR/CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER**

RESOLVED, That Steven Santa Maria of Gloversville, NY be and hereby is appointed Fire Coordinator/Civil Defense Director/Code Enforcement Officer for Fulton County, for a term beginning January 1, 2018 and ending December 31, 2019; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Treasurer is hereby authorized to pay such Director a salary reflected in the annual Non-Union Salary Structure in equal bi-weekly installments; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, County Clerk, Personnel Director, Civil Defense Director/Fire Coordinator, Budget Director/County Auditor and Administrative Officer/Clerk of the Board.

Seconded by Supervisor BORN and adopted by the following vote:

Total: Ayes: 19 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 (Supervisor Howard)

**Resolution No. 12**

Supervisor WALDRON offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING PUBLIC DEFENDER**

RESOLVED, That J. Gerard McAuliffe, Jr., of Town of Perth, NY, be and hereby is appointed Public Defender for Fulton County, for a term beginning January 1, 2018 and ending December 31, 2019; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That pursuant to Local Law No. 1 of 1987 and in accordance with this Resolution, the Public Defender shall be authorized to appoint six (6) Assistant Public Defenders at salaries reflected in the annual Non-Union Salary Structure; such appointees to serve at the pleasure of the Public Defender; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Treasurer is hereby authorized to pay all salaries as hereinabove stated in equal bi-weekly installments; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Public Defender be and hereby is further authorized to hire secretarial services to assist him in his duties and responsibilities at a rate of \$2,583.33 per month; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, County Clerk, Personnel Director, Public Defender, Budget Director/County Auditor and Administrative Officer/Clerk of the Board.

Seconded by Supervisor GREENE and adopted by the following vote:

Total: Ayes: 19 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 (Supervisor Howard)

**Resolution No. 13**

Supervisor BORN offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION APPOINTING VETERANS SERVICE AGENCY  
DIRECTOR (PART-TIME)

RESOLVED, That Daniel Engel of Gloversville, NY, be and hereby is appointed Veterans Service Agency Director (Part-Time, 20 hours per week with benefits) for Fulton County, for a term beginning January 1, 2018 and ending December 31, 2019; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Treasurer is hereby authorized to pay such Director a salary reflected in the annual Non-Union Salary Structure in equal bi-weekly installments; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, County Clerk, Personnel Director, Veterans Agency Director, Budget Director/County Auditor and Administrative Officer/Clerk of the Board.

Seconded by Supervisor YOUNG and adopted by the following vote:

Total: Ayes: 19 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 (Supervisor Howard)