

## **SPECIAL SESSION – WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2016**

The Legislature convened in special session, Wednesday, November 30, 2016 at 4:00 p.m. with Chairman Dennis presiding and Legislator Button absent.

Discussion took place on when to hold the year end meeting. The consensus of the Legislature was to hold the meeting December 28, 2016 at 4:00p.m.

Chairman Dennis appointed June Pendelton to the Fish and Wildlife Management Board as the landowner representative.

Chairman Dennis appointed County Administrator Robert Lawton to the Southern Tier Network Board.

Mr. Paddock moved that the Legislature forthwith conduct an election by way of open ballot to determine the appointee to fill the vacant Legislator seat in Legislative District 1, seconded by Mr. Morris. VOTE: Unanimous

Mr. Bronson moved that nominations for the appointee to fill the current Legislator vacancy in Legislative District 1 are now open, seconded by Mr. Paddock. VOTE: Unanimous

Mr. Paddock nominated H. Taylor Fitch. Mr. Paddock explained after the budget workshop on November 24<sup>th</sup> we agreed to ask the parties within the district to screen, interview, and select candidates for this position. Mr. Fitch is nominated by the Republican Party that represents district 1.

Mr. Bronson nominated Thomas Close who was the representative that was chosen by the Democratic Party.

Mr. Morrison nominated Timothy Cutler.

Mr. Morrison moved that the nominations be closed, seconded by Mr. Holgate. VOTE: Unanimous

### **DISCUSSION:**

Mr. Morrison expressed concerns regarding Mr. Fitch's nomination.

Mr. Paddock clarified some of Mr. Morrison's concerns.

Chairman Dennis requested the Legislators cast their ballots on the form provided and pass them to the Clerk.

Legislative Clerk Hayes read the following ballots:

Tim Cutler – VOTES – Morrison, Morris and Smith

H. Taylor Fitch – VOTES – Bronson, Holgate, Dennis Banach, Gleason, Church, Multer, Paddock, and Percy.

## **RESOLUTION NO. 400-16**

Mr. Paddock offered the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Mrs. Percy.

### **APPOINT DISTRICT 1 LEGISLATOR**

WHEREAS, there is a current vacancy in the Legislature, from Legislative District 1, due to the resignation of Legislator, Gary Montgomery, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Local Law, the Legislature is the appointing authority to fill such vacancy; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature conducted a nomination and election process on November 30, 2016, wherein H. Taylor Fitch, received the requisite votes needed to be appointed to fill the above recited vacancy;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that H. Taylor Fitch is hereby appointed to fill the aforementioned vacancy and as such is hereby appointed as a Legislator representing Legislative District 1, for a term effective immediately and ending on December 31, 2017.

VOTE: Unanimous

Mr. Bronson moved to enter executive session to discuss negotiations with the CSEA with Legislators, Bob Lawton, Kerry Brennan, Scott Falvey and John Corcoran present, seconded by Mrs. Percy.

VOTE: Unanimous

Meeting adjourned at 5:40pm.