

ORGANIZATION MEETING, MONDAY, JANUARY 6, 2020

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January 6, 2020

The County Legislature convened at the Legislative Chamber, 255 Main Street, Goshen, New York, on the 6th day of January, Two Thousand Twenty, and was called to order with a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and to remember the victims of the Monsey Hanukkah attack at 3:30 p.m., by Jean M. Ramppen, Clerk of the Legislature. The Clerk of the Legislature acted as Temporary Chairman.

Jonathan Walters-Suber from Chester Academy sang the National Anthem. Legislator Sierra presented Jonathan with a Certificate of Appreciation for his outstanding performance.

A roll call, being taken, the following Legislators representing their respective Legislative Districts were present and answered to their names as follows:

Michael Amo	First Legislative District
Janet Sutherland	Second Legislative District
Paul Ruszkiewicz	Third Legislative District
Kevindarayán Luján	Fourth Legislative District
Katie Bonelli	Fifth Legislative District
James M. Kulisek	Sixth Legislative District
Peter V. Tuohy	Seventh Legislative District
Barry J. Cheney	Eighth Legislative District
L. Stephen Brescia	Ninth Legislative District
John S. Vero	Tenth Legislative District
Kathy A. Stegenga	Eleventh Legislative District
Kevin W. Hines	Twelfth Legislative District
Thomas J. Faggione	Thirteenth Legislative District
Joseph J. Minuta	Fifteenth Legislative District
Leigh J. Benton	Sixteenth Legislative District
Mike Anagnostakis	Seventeenth Legislative District
Rob Sassi	Eighteenth Legislative District
Michael D. Paduch	Nineteenth Legislative District
Joel Sierra	Twentieth Legislative District
James D. O'Donnell	Twenty-first Legislative District

Legislator Laurie R. Tautel of the Fourteenth Legislative District was absent.

The Temporary Chair stated that the first order of business would be to elect a Chairman of the County Legislature for the year 2020.

The Temporary Chair recognized Ms. Sutherland who placed in nomination the name of L. Stephen Brescia as Chairman of the Orange County Legislature. She stated, "Over the last five years Steve Brescia has been the Chairman of the Legislature and although she has had the honor to work with him for only the last two years, she can honestly say she has been able to watch and learn a tremendous amount from Steve. From the lighter decisions to the harder ones, to the extremely difficult ones. Steve has always led with a calm head and really brought us to some positive places. While his leadership is terrific, she feels that in 2019 they all did great things together, she also feels that there is a lot more for them to do, she believes that

Steve is the one to lead them there. Therefore, she would like to place the nomination of L. Stephen Brescia for Chairman of the Orange County Legislature.”

Mr. O’Donnell seconded the nomination of L. Stephen Brescia as Chairman of the Orange County Legislature for 2020.

The Temporary Chair asked if there were any other nominations.

There being no other nominations, the Temporary Chair asked for a motion to close nominations.

Mr. Benton moved to close nominations for Chairman of the Orange County Legislature.

The Temporary Chair cast one ballot for L. Stephen Brescia for Chairman of the Orange County Legislature.

The motion was unanimously adopted.

The Temporary Chair announced that L. Stephen Brescia has been elected as Chairman of the Orange County Legislature for the year 2020.

The Temporary Chair recognized Mr. Vero who announced that he was honored to place the name of Katie Bonelli in nomination for Majority Leader for the Orange County Legislature for the year 2020. The last two years she served as Majority Leader. Katie is very informative, kept them all up to date on what they need to know, she is very professional and feels she deserves another turn at bat.

Ms. Reed confirmed with Mr. Vero that the Republican Caucus has elected Katie Bonelli as their Majority Leader, Mr. Vero concurred.

The Temporary Chair recognized Mr. Luján who announced that he was honored to nominate, unanimously, Michael Paduch as Minority Leader. He has had the pleasure of working with Mike for the last two years and they are all encouraged by his leadership, his experience and they continue to be encouraged by his leadership, seconded by Mr. Sierra.

Ms. Reed confirmed with Mr. Luján that the Democratic Caucus has elected Michael Paduch as their Minority Leader, Mr. Luján concurred.

The Temporary Chair recognized Mr. Anagnostakis who announced that the Independence Party has unanimously elected Michael Amo to be the leader of the Independence Party, seconded by Mr. Sierra.

The Temporary Chair asked for Mr. Brescia’s sister, Stacy and his sons, Vincent and Nicholas to join him as County Clerk Annie Rabbitt administers the oath of office to the Chairman.

Chairman Brescia thanked all the Legislators for voting him in for another term of office for one year. He thanked his girlfriend Joan for being there. He thanked his sister Stacy who

always has his back and his two sons, Vincent and Nicholas. This was his sixth swearing in and they were only here two times. He recognized his brother-in-law Jeff Spreer and his good friend, Michael Hembury who is a Village Trustee in Montgomery, he retired from the City of Newburgh Police Department and the U.S. Mint at West Point. He thanked Ms. Sutherland for her nominating speech. We have a great working team. They always keep the budget below the cap, although there is a difference in opinion on how they get there. They all work well as a team and he always has an open-door policy and everyone is respectful to him and he tries to be respectful to each of them as well. They have an aggressive agenda, possibly selling the Quarry, the three buildings in Newburgh, looking into the potential uses at Valley View, keeping it as a viable facility, despite the cuts in Medicaid from New York State. There are a lot of issues that will need to be addressed with the new bail reform, along with many other issues that the State of New York has left them with. There have been a lot of good things, the Opioid Addiction Committee, the Green Committee, the Rules, Enactments and Intergovernmental Relations Committee has always been aggressive, Physical Services and the Education and Economic Development Committees, there are many issues that need to be tackled over the next year and he wants to deal with them head on. He looked forward to working with everyone again over the next year. He is happy to work with all of them and added that he respects them all.

Chairman Brescia thanked Legislator Sierra for bringing in singer, Jonathan Walters-Suber and stressed the fantastic job Jonathan did singing the National Anthem and wished him good luck for a bright future.

Legislator Laurie R. Tautel of the Fourteenth Legislative District arrived at 3:45 p.m.

MISCELLANEOUS:

Sponsor: Bonelli

RESOLUTION NO. 1 OF 2020

RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE LEGISLATIVE MANUAL FOR THE COUNTY OF ORANGE AND THE RULES OF ORDER AND PROCEDURE FOR THE ORANGE COUNTY LEGISLATURE, AS PREVIOUSLY AMENDED, PURSUANT TO SECTION 2.02(a) OF THE ORANGE COUNTY CHARTER, SECTION 153 OF THE COUNTY LAW AND ARTICLE II, C 1(e), ARTICLE III (INTRODUCTION) AND ARTICLE IV, E 1(a) AND (b) OF THE SAID LEGISLATIVE MANUAL.

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 2 of 1970, passed by the Orange County Legislature on January 8, 1970, the Legislative Manual for the County of Orange was adopted; and

WHEREAS, Article II, C, 1(e) (page II - 6) of said Manual provides that the County Legislature must adopt annually its Legislative Manual, including any amendments incorporated therein; and

WHEREAS, at this time the Committee on Rules, Enactments and Intergovernmental Relations has not reported or proposed any amendments to said Manual and Rules.

THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY

RESOLVED, that the Legislative Manual for the County of Orange and the Rules of Order and Procedure for the Orange County Legislature, heretofore adopted on January 8, 1970, and as previously amended, are hereby adopted.

Seconded by Mr. Vero.

Mr. Amo stated that they should spend more time this year reviewing the Legislative Manual because there are a number of issues coming up and they need to address it. He discussed this with Mr. Faggione, and something that came up was that you often hear the debate between counties and departments and the difference between a policy, law and rule and he did not think they were very clear on that. When the Legislature sets a policy it is clear, he did not know how a department head sets a policy, they can set a way to implement it, but he did not know how they would set it. He felt it was time to take a thorough look at the Legislative Manual and find out where the changes need to be made. That is something they need to talk about, and he felt they need to be more transparent. If someone wants to know what the Orange County policy is, they should be able to go to the website and find it. He was hopeful that Mr. Faggione will put this on the Rules, Enactments and Intergovernmental Relations Committee agenda.

Mr. Faggione mentioned that Mr. Amo was correct, and they did have discussions regarding the Legislative Manual. He pointed out that the Legislative Manual is posted on the county website. He agreed that they had good discussions on this, and he looked forward to having more in 2020.

Chairman Brescia stated that he recalled when Mr. Amo was Chairman of the Rules, Enactments and Intergovernmental Relations years ago, he made modifications and had discussions and they should do it again. He added that he neglected to mention earlier during his nomination acceptance speech that they all represent distinct districts with distinct groups of people in Orange County, but we are all Orange County. Mr. Amo and Ms. Bonelli met with the Governor in Monroe and address security after the horrific incident in Rockland County. There are a lot of concerns with different viewpoints and we need to respect those viewpoints.

The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Ayes 21;

Noes 0;

Absent 0;

ADOPTED.

Sponsor: Bonelli

"RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING LEGISLATIVE CALENDAR FOR 2020, PURSUANT TO ARTICLE II, C, 1 (f) OF THE LEGISLATIVE MANUAL."

Seconded by Mr. Vero.

Mr. Paduch stated that in 2019 there were two night meetings in March and September. The proposed resolution before them which he assumed was put together by the Chairman and the Republican Caucus, proposes that they eliminate all night meetings. All meetings will be held at 3:30 p.m. if the calendar is approved. He has been against that his entire 22 years here on the Legislature and he believes that there should be an opportunity for the public to speak at night which is very important. Many times, there are not a lot of people in attendance but sometimes there are big issues and there is an opportunity for people who might want to speak on an issue. A meeting at 3:30 p.m. is a tough time for most people who work during the day.

Mr. Paduch moved to amend Agenda Item No. 2, **RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING LEGISLATIVE CALENDAR FOR 2020, PURSUANT TO ARTICLE II, C, 1 (f) OF THE LEGISLATIVE MANUAL** by changing the March 5, 2020 meeting to 7:00 p.m. and change the September 3, 2020 to 7:00 p.m., seconded by Mr. Luján.

Ms. Tautel stated that for those who have been on the Legislature longer than her can probably attest that the night meetings were almost 50/50 at one point for the calendar year. She agreed with Minority Leader Paduch and she felt that they are preventing some residents of Orange County who are not able to get there for a 3:30 p.m. meeting. She spoke last year about adding more night meetings to the schedule. To take away the two night meetings and have them all day time meetings when a majority of the residents are at work or getting their children off the school bus, will preclude them from getting to a public meeting and sharing their input or voicing their opinions on items on the agenda. In addition to that, they have to sign up prior to the start of the meeting to speak either before or after the meeting. They are silencing the people that they represent and she agrees with Mr. Paduch that they reinstate the two night meetings, if not more, and possibly go before the Rules, Enactments and Intergovernmental Relations Committee to change the rules on how the public signs up to speak.

Mr. Ruszkiewicz pointed out that they have this debate every year and they tried two or three night meetings and it has been his experience that attendance at the meetings is driven by issues. If there is a big issue, it does not matter if it is during the day or at night, there will be greater attendance. It is more issue driven. Now with the new technology, the meetings are being live streamed on the internet and archived on the website. Anyone who wants to view the meetings can do that. In regard to commenting on the issues, all of the Legislators' contact information is listed on the website and their constituents can contact them anytime to discuss concerns on an issue. The night meetings are also an additional cost to the county, the building needs to be open later, the sheriff deputies are there later, the staff needs to be here, it is all additional cost. For these reasons, he is in favor of the day meetings.

Mr. Luján agreed with the comments made by Minority Leader Paduch and Legislator Tautel. They do a great disservice to our community by not providing the option of night meetings. In previous years they discussed having more night meetings. He agreed that a lot of times it is issue driven but the fact that the individuals in the community cannot make it because the need to pick up their child or because of work, makes it less of an opportunity for them to speak. We are responsible to our community members and by offering two meetings at night is a small token of what they can do. He believes it is what the community would want and ask for.

Mr. Amo stated that they debate this year after year. Mr. Ruskiewicz made a good point, however Mr. Paduch's suggestion to give people a chance if they want to come. He understands both sides of the issue. Maybe they can go one more year and see how it goes and then agree if they do not get more attendance out of it then they stop and keep it at all day meetings.

Mr. Benton stated that he was speaking on the same level of experience as Mr. Paduch, everything is issue driven and it has made no difference if it is afternoon meetings or evening meetings. If someone wants to express their opinion on an issue, they have his cell phone number and can call him anytime.

Ms. Bonelli mentioned that she was in her ninth year as a Legislator and every organization meeting they have the same discussion and they tried it different ways. When she first came on to the Legislature in 2010, their colleague who has passed away, Bill Lahey, did a study which really did not demonstrate any difference in attendance as to when the time was. It is all issue driven. She did not want anyone to think they were being excluded because she reminded everyone that if there is an important issue, they make every attempt to go out into the community. When they were changing the Comprehensive Plan and added the chapter of Transportation, in order to get input on the document they held different meetings in different ends of the county. They had one at Kaplan Hall in the City of Newburgh because transportation is a big issue there, and they brought the meeting to them. She did not want anyone to think they are not paying attention to these issues. They are doing their job and they are extending themselves the best that they can and if they have to, they take it to the community that will be most affected.

Mr. Anagnostakis commented that all of his colleagues have made valid points. Attendance is driven by what is on the agenda and that has been proven. It would be a higher expense if the meetings are at night but for that cost it will offer more of the population to show up if they choose to. He planned to vote in favor of the amendment because he likes the monotony of 3:30 p.m. meetings broken up.

Mr. Minuta stated that the one thing that has not been mentioned is consistency. They often get phone calls with a change in time for a meeting. When the public knows when the meetings are, it is consistent so if there is an issue, they know when to take off from work. They constantly hear that they can do a little bit better and to do better would be to not have the overtime and late meetings. He planned to vote against the amendment.

Chairman Brescia stated that this was not his idea, but it was discussed at the Republican caucus and he agrees with it. He recalled when he was a new Legislator twenty-six years ago and the meetings were at 1:30 p.m. and then years later they compromised to 3:00 p.m. then 3:30 p.m. and then they added night meetings. It has always been agenda driven. You do not see any more people at night unless it is a high intensified issue or during the day. They do not have many people here today, it is a boring session. When they had the Danskammer discussion a few months ago the room was packed and that was 3:30 p.m. session. It would have been the same situation if it was at night. When they contemplated on selling Valley View, they had the largest attendance that they ever had, in the afternoon and in the evening. They had a five hour public hearing in continuation. There might be a few more people that would come at night that normally could not make it during the day but there are the village,

RESOLVED, that the statutory meetings of the County Legislature, for the calendar year 2020, shall be held at the dates and times hereinafter stated:

January 6, 2020	3:30 P.M.
February 6, 2020	3:30 P.M.
March 5, 2020	3:30 P.M.
April 3, 2020 (Youth in Government)	10:00 A.M.
May 7, 2020	3:30 P.M.
June 4, 2020 (Senior Citizens)	3:30 P.M.
July 2, 2020	3:30 P.M.
August 6, 2020	3:30 P.M.
September 3, 2020	3:30 P.M.
October 1, 2020 (Annual)	3:30 P.M.
November 5, 2020	3:30 P.M.
December 3, 2020	3:30 P.M.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to publish the foregoing Legislative Calendar for the year 2020.

The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Amo, Anagnostakis, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Minuta, O’Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Noes: Paduch, Kulisek, Luján, Sierra, Tautel

Ayes 16; Noes 5; Absent 0; ADOPTED.

Mr. Benton stated that he would not be signing Agenda Item Nos. 3, 5 and 7, newspaper designations.

The Clerk read the following:

DESIGNATION BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE REPRESENTING THE REPUBLICAN PARTY OF NEWSPAPERS TO PUBLISH THE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS OF THE STATE LEGISLATURE AND ELECTION NOTICES TO BE PUBLISHED IN 2020, PURSUANT TO SECTION 214 OF THE COUNTY LAW.

We, the undersigned, being a majority of all Republican members of the County Legislature of the County of Orange, having given consideration to the newspapers advocating the principles of such party, the support of its nominees, and the extent of the circulation in the County, do hereby designate the following named newspapers, published within the County to publish in 2020 the matters immediately preceding the names of said newspapers, to wit:

1. To publish the CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS of the Legislature, The Orange County Post, P. O. Box 405, Vails Gate, NY 12584; News of the Highlands, Inc., P. O. Box 518, Cornwall, NY 12518; Times Community Newspapers, 300 Stony Brook Court, Newburgh, NY 12550

2. To publish the ELECTION NOTICES issued by the Secretary of State, The Orange County Post, P. O. Box 405, Vails Gate, NY 12584; Times Community Newspapers, 300 Stony Brook Court, Newburgh, NY 12550; News of the Highlands, Inc., P. O. Box 518, Cornwall, NY 12518; Warwick Advertiser-Photo News, 20 West Avenue, Chester, NY 10918; the Warwick Valley Dispatch, 2 Oakland Avenue, P.O. Box 594, Warwick, New York 10990; Times Herald Record, 40 Mulberry Street, Middletown, NY 10940

Dated: January 6, 2020

(Signed) Mike Anagnostakis	Thomas J. Faggione
James D. O'Donnell	Katherine E. Bonelli
Rob Sassi	Paul Ruszkiewicz
Janet Sutherland	Barry J. Cheney
Joseph J. Minuta	Kevin W. Hines
John S. Vero	Kathy Stegenga
L. Stephen Brescia	Peter V. Tuohy

On motion the same was received and ordered placed on file.

The Clerk read the following:

DESIGNATION BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE REPRESENTING THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF NEWSPAPERS TO PUBLISH THE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS OF THE STATE LEGISLATURE AND ELECTION NOTICES TO BE PUBLISHED IN 2020, PURSUANT TO SECTION 214 OF THE COUNTY LAW.

We, the undersigned, being a majority of all Democratic members of the County Legislature of the County of Orange, having given consideration to the newspapers advocating the principles of such party, the support of its nominees, and the extent of the circulation in the County, do hereby designate the following named newspapers, published within the County to publish in 2020 the matters immediately preceding the names of said newspapers, to wit:

1. To publish the CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS of the Legislature, the Goshen Independent, 132 West Main Street, Goshen, NY 10924; Hudson Valley Press, P. O. Box 2160, Newburgh, NY 12550
2. To publish the ELECTION NOTICES issued by the Secretary of State, Times Community Newspapers, 300 Stony Brook Court, Newburgh, NY 12550; Times Herald Record, 40 Mulberry Street, Middletown, NY 10940, the Goshen Independent, 132 West Main Street, Goshen, NY 10924; Hudson Valley Press, P. O. Box 2160, Newburgh, NY 12550

Dated: January 6, 2020

Ms. Tautel questioned Agenda Item No. 4 as to why News of the Highlands was not listed and pointed out that it was missing off the Democratic designation.

Ms. Reed explained that should have been discussed with her caucus and deferred to Minority Leader Paduch.

Ms. Bonelli recalled the same discussion last year after they did the designations and they were notified that it was up to the individual parties to provide their information to the Clerk. News of the Highlands is listed in the next two resolutions.

Ms. Tautel pointed out that it was left off No. 4.

Ms. Reed explained that it was not left off, it was not submitted by her caucus.

Ms. Bonelli stated that as a caucus, they discuss the newspapers, as they do every year and make those recommendations. They have not made any changes in the last two years, but it was discussed at the Republican Caucus.

Ms. Reed stressed that the information was mailed to all Legislators on December 26th. When Legislators caucus before the meeting, that is when they determine what newspapers are designated and it is not to be done on the floor. This is what came out of the caucuses.

Mr. Paduch stated that they did not make changes in prior years.

Ms. Reed stated that this is what they did last year, they made no changes, News of the Highlands is on the designation for Resolution No. 5 and 6, it is not listed for concurrent resolutions and Election Notices. That was the determination by their caucus.

Ms. Tautel stated that she did bring this up last year.

Ms. Reed stressed that it needed to be brought up in caucus and pointed out that the Democratic Caucus met at 2:30 p.m. today.

Ms. Tautel pointed out that it would still have been too late to change it so she would need to change it now. If they caucus a half hour before the meeting started, how could they have changed it.

Ms. Reed stated that it was up to her party leader to determine what day and time they caucus. Their caucus did not give anything to the Clerk and that is how she determines what the designation is. The Clerk gives it to the caucuses for review, she emails it and mails it and it goes before caucus for discussion and then it is to be submitted to the Clerk and that is presented today on the floor of the Legislature.

Ms. Bonelli mentioned that the Republicans discussed this at their December caucus meeting. It was discussed early and decided not to make any changes. The newspaper that Legislator Tautel is concerned with, it is listed. Similar to last year, the Democratic Caucus did not have it listed but the Republican Caucus did so it will be covered and part of our official notifications, just not under the Democratic party.

Chairman Brescia requested that they try to submit any requests or changes in a timelier fashion.

Mr. Paduch apologized, he did not know that newspaper was left off. He asked if they have the ability to add it today. He overlooked it and he would like to have News of the Highlands included and he did not think he can be denied that request.

Ms. Reed stated that he did not give it to the Clerk as their designation.

Mr. Paduch stated that he will do it now.

Ms. Reed suggested the Democrats caucus to confirm they have the majority of their members that want to do that.

Mr. Sierra pointed out that they are a Legislative Body, they make laws, he did not know why it cannot be done on the floor.

Ms. Reed explained that according to state law, the two dominant political parties for the County Legislature makes designations for the official newspapers which come out of the caucuses.

Mr. Sierra understood, however, it did not state when it needed to be done.

Ms. Reed stated that it needed to be done before they vote on it.

It was explained that there is no vote on the designations, the political parties sign them.

Mr. Sierra suggested they do it now before they sign the designations.

Ms. Reed stated that if they wanted to have it changed, the Clerk will need to make adjustments to the document first and then they would need to sign off on them today, if that is what Minority Leader Paduch wanted.

Mr. Paduch stated that is what he would like done.

Clerk Ramppen indicated that the change will be made to Agenda Item No. 4 and 6.

The resolution as amended follows:

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2. To publish the ELECTION NOTICES issued by the Secretary of State, Times Community Newspapers, 300 Stony Brook Court, Newburgh, NY 12550; Times Herald Record, 40 Mulberry Street, Middletown, NY 10940, the Goshen Independent, 132 West Main Street, Goshen, NY 10924; Hudson Valley Press, P. O. Box 2160, Newburgh, NY 12550; News of the Highlands, Inc., P. O. Box 518, Cornwall, NY 12518

Dated: January 6, 2020

(Signed) James M. Kulisek
Laurie R. Tautel
Michael D. Paduch
Kevindaryán Luján
Joel Sierra

On motion the same was received and ordered placed on file.

The Clerk read the following:

DESIGNATION BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE REPRESENTING THE REPUBLICAN PARTY OF NEWSPAPERS TO PUBLISH ALL LOCAL LAWS, NOTICES AND OTHER MATTERS REQUIRED BY LAW TO BE PUBLISHED IN 2020, PURSUANT TO SUBDIVISION 2 OF SECTION 214 OF THE COUNTY LAW.

We, the undersigned, being a majority of all the Republican members of the County Legislature of the County of Orange having given consideration to the newspapers advocating the principles of such party, the support of its nominees, and the extent of the circulation in the County, do hereby designate the following named newspapers, published within the County to publish in 2020 the matters immediately preceding the names of said newspapers, to wit:

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2. To publish as one of the OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS of the County Legislature of the County of Orange, all LOCAL LAWS, NOTICES AND OTHER MATTERS required to be published by the County Legislature, Warwick Advertiser-Photo News, 20 West Avenue, Chester, NY 10918
3. To publish as one of the OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS of the County Legislature of the County of Orange, all LOCAL LAWS, NOTICES AND OTHER MATTERS required to be published by the County Legislature, News of the Highlands, Inc., P. O. Box 518, Cornwall, NY 12518

- 4. To publish as one of the OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS of the County Legislature of the County of Orange, all LOCAL LAWS, NOTICES AND OTHER MATTERS required to be published by the County Legislature, the Warwick Valley Dispatch, 2 Oakland Avenue, P.O. Box 594, Warwick, NY 10990

Dated: January 6, 2020

(Signed) Mike Anagnostakis	Thomas J. Faggione
James D. O'Donnell	Katherine E. Bonelli
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Joseph J. Minuta	Kevin W. Hines
John S. Vero	Kathy Stegenga
L. Stephen Brescia	Peter V. Tuohy

On motion the same was received and ordered placed on file.

The Clerk read the following:

DESIGNATION BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE REPRESENTING THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF NEWSPAPER TO PUBLISH ALL LOCAL LAWS, NOTICES AND OTHER MATTERS REQUIRED BY LAW TO BE PUBLISHED IN 2020, PURSUANT TO SUBDIVISION 2 OF SECTION 214 OF THE COUNTY LAW.

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- 2. To publish as one of the OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS of the County Legislature of the County of Orange, all LOCAL LAWS, NOTICES AND OTHER MATTERS required to be published by the County Legislature, Hudson Valley Press, P. O. Box 2160, Newburgh, NY 12550; News of the Highlands, Inc., P. O. Box 518, Cornwall, NY 12518

Dated: January 6, 2020

(Signed) James M. Kulisek
 Laurie R. Tautel
 Michael D. Paduch
 Kevindaryán Luján
 Joel Sierra

On motion the same was received and ordered placed on file.

Sponsor: Bonelli

RESOLUTION NO. 3 OF 2020

RESOLUTION DESIGNATING NEWSPAPERS PUBLISHED WITHIN THE COUNTY AS OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS FOR THE PUBLICATION OF ALL LOCAL LAWS, NOTICES AND OTHER MATTERS REQUIRED BY LAW TO BE PUBLISHED IN 2020, PURSUANT TO SUBDIVISION 2 OF SECTION 214 OF THE COUNTY LAW.

WHEREAS, the County Legislature is required annually to designate at least two newspapers published within the County as official newspapers for the publication of local laws, notices and other matters required by law to be published, and in the making of such designations consideration shall be given to those newspapers advocating the principles of the two major political parties into which the people of the State are divided, and their general circulation throughout the County.

RESOLVED, that The Orange County Post published in Vails Gate, New York; the Warwick Advertiser-Photo News, published in Chester, New York; the Warwick Valley Dispatch, published in Warwick, New York; News of the Highlands, Inc., published in Cornwall, New York; Times Community Newspapers, published in Newburgh, New York; and Hudson Valley Press, published in Newburgh, New York are hereby designated as official newspapers for the publication of all local laws, notices and other matters required by law to be published in the year 2020.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that nothing herein contained shall be deemed to prevent the designation of additional newspapers for any publication and such designation shall be deemed an official newspaper for that particular publication.

Seconded by Mr. Vero.

The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Abstained: Benton

Ayes 20; Noes 0; Abstention 1; Absent 0; **ADOPTED.**

Mr. Luján shared that he lost a dear friend this past weekend. She was a daughter of Orange County, a graduate of Newburgh Enlarged City School District, she was a graduate of

SUNY Orange, she was exemplary as a daughter, a sister, as a friend. At 22 years old, she knocked on more doors than people three times her age. She loved life. She was fierce and passionate, loving and kind. Seeing her light extinguished so early is heartbreaking. He speaks to everyone today about her because he knows many of you have children, she tragically died from the flu, in just a few hours. He does not know how it is to have a child, but he knows that losing his friend, someone he loved as a sister, someone who he worked with so closely, is probably one of the hardest things he ever had to experience. Being with her family this weekend, he knows they are in immense pain. He always believed in the power of prayer and unity, he asked that everyone has her and her family in your prayers. She was pure goodness and he is very sad to see her go. He thanked Chairman Brescia for allowing him to honor her today, even if it is just a few words. Please be very conscious of how strong this flu epidemic is. No one should lose their child so young; no parent should ever have to say goodbye to their child. He loved her very much, thank you Rebekah Grohl for everything you have done. We will cherish your legacy, your strength and your love that you showed for everything you did.

Chairman Brescia stressed his condolences to Legislator Luján. He suggested that perhaps they can have a discussion on the impacts of the flu at the Health and Mental Health Committee in the not too distant future.

On motion of Mr. Anagnostakis, seconded by Mr. Vero, the Legislature adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

ADJOURNED.

Jean M. Ramppen, Clerk