



## **Tioga County Worksession Minutes** **March 21, 2024 – 10:00 a.m.**

### **Legislators Present:**

Legislator Brown  
Legislator Ciotoli  
Legislator Flesher (*Departed at 10:11 a.m.*)  
Legislator Monell  
Legislator Mullen  
Legislator Standinger (*Arrived at 10:10 a.m.*)

### **Legislators Absent:**

Legislator Roberts  
Chair/Legislator Sauerbrey  
Legislator Weston

### **Guests:**

None

### **Staff present:**

Peter DeWind, County Attorney (*Arrived at 10:08 a.m.*)  
Cathy Haskell, Legislative Clerk  
Amy Eiklor, Deputy Legislative Clerk  
Gary Howard, Sheriff (*Departed at 10:11 a.m.*)

**Call Meeting to Order:** Deputy Chair Monell opened the meeting at 10:02 a.m. with a **Public Hearing on Local Law Introductory No. A of 2024.**

Legislative Clerk Haskell took roll call and read the legal notice as published in the Tioga County designated newspapers. Public Hearing adjourned at 10:03 a.m.

**Garage at Public Safety Building – Sheriff Howard:** Sheriff Howard reported he discussed building a garage at the Public Safety Building at the March Public Safety Committee meeting. It was also discussed at the Public Works Committee meeting earlier this month. It was suggested that the matter be brought forth to the full Legislature as there were additional questions. Sheriff Howard explained that he would like a garage built in order to protect the patrol cars from the elements. The estimated cost to construct the garage is \$40,000. The garage would be built in stages by Tioga County's Department of Public Works. Sheriff Howard explained that he has two accounts that could fund the project, one of which is an asset forfeiture account that has roughly \$56,000 in it. He expects additional asset

forfeiture funds in the future. Legislator Flesher stated he is in favor of the project if it benefits the deputies.

Legislative Clerk Haskell asked County Attorney DeWind if a resolution is needed as the project would not be utilizing county funds. Sheriff Howard explained he would be using discretionary funds and would pay the vendor directly with a check. On a straw poll vote, Legislators Mullen, Brown, Flesher, Ciotoli, and Monell were in favor of moving forward with the project.

**Approval of Worksession Minutes:** On motion of Legislator Flesher, seconded by Legislator Mullen, the March 7, 2024 minutes were unanimously approved.

**Action Items:** Currently, we have none.

**Other:**

- ***Emma Sedore Day:*** Legislative Clerk Haskell reported she sent the Legislators an email from Historian Emma Sedore, thanking them for the Proclamation and Bell of Sessions ceremony.

**Executive Session:** With no confidential matters to discuss, an Executive Session was not needed.

Meeting adjourned at 10:12 a.m.

Next Worksession scheduled for Thursday, April 4, 2024, at 1:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Amy Eiklor*

Deputy Legislative Clerk