

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
OSWEGO COUNTY LEGISLATURE HELD ON
JANUARY 4, 2007.**

Chairman Johnson called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. Roll call was taken with all legislators present. A moment of silence was observed in memory of former county legislator, Joseph C. Cortini, Sr., followed by the invocation and salute to the flag.

Chairman Johnson turned the meeting over to Clerk of the Legislature, Ted Jerrett.

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN:

The floor was opened for nominations for Chairman of the Legislature.

Leg. Osetek nominated Leg. Russ Johnson, seconded by Leg. Kunzwiler. Leg. Brown nominated Leg. Jack Proud, seconded by Leg. Doyle. There being no further nominations, a roll call vote was taken with the following result: Leg. Johnson, 14; Leg. Proud, 11.

FOR LEG. JOHNSON: THOMAS, BRYANT GEARSBECK, NATOLI, GARDNER, BULLARD, OSETEK, PONZI, KUNZWILER, CHALIFOUX, MALONE, VASHO, FRENCH, JOHNSON.

FOR LEG. PROUD: POTTER, DOYLE, LEEMANN, PROUD, BROWN, BEARDSLEY, SEAGER, OSPELT, SANTORE, BECKWITH, BREWER.

Chairman Johnson, accompanied by his wife, Sue, and daughter, Sue, was sworn in by Honorable Norman W. Seiter, Jr., J.S.C.

ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN:

Chairman Johnson opened the floor for nominations for Vice-Chairman of the Legislature.

Leg. Chalifoux nominated Leg. Greg Osetek, seconded by Leg. Bullard. Leg. Ospelt nominated Leg. Fred Beardsley, seconded by Leg. Doyle. There being no further nominations, a roll call vote was taken with the following result: Leg. Osetek, 13; Leg. Beardsley, 12.

FOR LEG. OSETEK: THOMAS, BRYANT, GEARSBECK, NATOLI, BULLARD, OSETEK, PONZI, KUNZWILER, CHALIFOUX, MALONE, VASHO, FRENCH, JOHNSON.

FOR LEG. BEARDSLEY: POTTER, DOYLE, LEEMANN, PROUD, BROWN, BEARDSLEY, SEAGER, OSPELT, GARDNER, SANTORE, BECKWITH, BREWER.

Leg. Osetek, accompanied by his father, was sworn in by Honorable Norman W. Seiter, Jr., J.S. C.

ELECTION OF CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE:

Chairman Johnson opened the floor for nominations for Clerk of the Legislature.

Leg. Gardner nominated Theodore Jerrett, seconded by Leg. Brown. There being no further nominations, the nominations were closed. County Attorney, Richard Mitchell, called the roll, with the following results:

YES: THOMAS, POTTER, DOYLE, LEEMANN, GEARSBECK, PROUD, BROWN, BEARDSLEY, SEAGER, NATOLI, OSPELT, GARDNER, BULLARD, OSETEK, SANTORE, PONZI, KUNZWILER, MALONE, BECKWITH, VASHO, FRENCH, BREWER, JOHNSON.

NO: BRYANT, CHALIFOUX.

ABSENT: NONE.

Mr. Jerrett was sworn in as Clerk of the Legislature, accompanied by his wife Donna, and daughter Kristen.

At 2:21, the Legislature recessed upon motion by Leg. Bullard and second by Leg. Bryant. The meeting reconvened at 2:38 p.m.

MINUTES: In the absence of any objections/corrections, the minutes of December 14, 2006 were approved.

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS/PUBLIC SPEAKERS ON RESOLUTION OF THE DAY:

None.

REPORTS OF COUNTY OFFICIALS: None

ANNOUNCEMENT OF MAJORITY AND MINORITY LEADERS/WHIPS:

The Republican Caucus announced the appointment of Leg. Leemann as Majority Leader and Leg. Santore as Majority Whip.

The Democratic Caucus announced the appointment of Leg. Kunzwiler as Minority Leader and Leg. Malone as Minority Whip.

RESOLUTIONS:

Leg. Bryant offered Resolution No. 1, entitled, RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS FOR PUBLICATION OF ALL ELECTION NOTICES, OFFICIAL CANVASS, LOCAL LAWS, NOTICES AND OTHER MATTERS REQUIRED BY LAW TO BE PUBLISHED.

Resolution passed, with a voice vote
YES: 25 NO: 0 ABSENT: 0

Leg. Osetek offered Resolution No. 2, entitled, RESOLUTION ADOPTING AN OSWEGO COUNTY INVESTMENT POLICY AND DESIGNATING BANKS AS DEPOSITORIES OF COUNTY FUNDS.

Resolution passed, with a voice vote
YES: 25 NO: 0 ABSENT: 0

Leg. Seager borrowed Leg. Malone's cap to pass around and take up a collection for a County employee dealing with a serious health care issue.

Ted Jerrett asked that anyone interested in attending the January 29-31 NYSAC Conference contact him as soon as possible.

ADJOURNMENT:

Under motion by Leg. Ospelt, seconded by Leg. Kunzwiler, carried unanimously, the meeting adjourned at 2:43 p.m.

PUBLIC SPEAKERS:

There were no others wishing to speak.