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Summary of Minutes

THE MONROE COUNTY CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE

February 27, 2014 at 5:30 p.m.
Monroe Community Hospital
Auditorium A
435 E. Henrietta Road
Rochester, NY 14620

- MEMBERS PRESENT: Jeffrey R. Adair (Legislature President), Debbie Drawe (Legislator – District 9), John Lightfoot (Legislator—District 25), Daniel M. DeLaus, Jr. (Deputy County Executive), John A. DiCaro (Chairman), Jared C. Lusk (Citizen Member), Jamie L. Slocum (Secretary)
- ABSENT: Frederick J. Holbrook (Citizen Member) (Excused)
- OTHERS PRESENT: Merideth Smith (County Attorney), Patrick Pardyjak (Legislature Counsel), Brett Walsh (Chief of Staff – Republican Majority Office)

The meeting commenced at approximately 5:37 p.m. Chairman DiCaro asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the January 30, 2014 meeting and the February 19, 2014 Public Input Gathering Session. The Approval of Minutes was MOVED by Legislator Debbie Drawe and SECONDED by Citizen Member Jared C. Lusk.

Chairman DiCaro asked Secretary Jamie Slocum if any written correspondence had been submitted. Secretary Slocum stated that every member had received in their packets a copy of the submitted written correspondence. Chairman DiCaro then declared the Public Forum open. Three speakers were signed up and addressed the committee; a handout was provided by one of the speakers. Chairman DiCaro declared the Public Forum closed.

Chairman DiCaro stated that everyone has had an opportunity to examine the initial findings of the committee members. A copy of the initial findings and a memorandum from County Attorney Merideth Smith was provided to every member. Chairman DiCaro encouraged the members to notify County Attorney Smith of any additional changes.

Chairman DiCaro asked County Attorney Merideth Smith to provide a verbal summary of the 52-page memorandum. County Attorney Smith went through page by page of the memorandum. She stated that the Department of Planning and Economic Development, Department of Human Resources, and Mr. Holbrook's recommendations are currently being researched and reviewed. She stated that recommendations from Monroe Community Hospital have not yet been submitted because they are waiting on the Advisory Council to conduct research. The Advisory Council expects to have

recommendations submitted by March 20, 2014. County Attorney Smith expects final language recommendations to be available both in writing and on the Monroe County website to the committee members in 10-12 days.

Public input on recommendations for the County Charter will be analyzed and reported during the next Charter Review meeting, and written recommendations will continue to be accepted. The last Public Input Gathering Session is scheduled for Wednesday, March 5, at 6:45 p.m. in the basement of the Pittsford Town Hall. The next formal meeting will be held on Thursday, March 27, 2014 at 11:00 a.m. at the Ebenezer Watts Conference Center.

With no other business, Vice Chairman DiCaro called for a Motion to Adjourn, which was MOVED by Citizen Member Jared C. Lusk and SECONDED by Deputy County Executive Daniel M. DeLaus. The meeting adjourned at 6:11 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jamie L. Slocum