

Warren County Board of Supervisors

BOARD MEETING
FRIDAY, JANUARY 20, 2023



Please note that the following is a summarization of the Board Meeting; the meeting, in its entirety, can be viewed on the Warren County website: <https://warrencountyny.gov/mma>

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Warren convened at the Supervisors' Room in the Warren County Municipal Center, Lake George, New York; meeting called to order at 10:04 a.m.

Mr. Kevin B. Geraghty presiding.

Salute to the flag was led by Supervisor Diamond.

Roll called, the following members present:

Supervisors Conover, Leggett, Diamond, Bruno, Driscoll, Frasier, Geraci, Dickinson, Merlino, Strough, Wild, Magowan, Seeber, Beaty, Thomas, Runyon and Geraghty -17; Absent -3 Supervisors Braymer, McDevitt and Hogan.

Chairman Geraghty called for privilege of the floor/public comment, but there was no one wishing to speak.

Motion was made by Supervisor Geraci, seconded by Supervisor Bruno and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Supervisors Braymer, McDevitt and Hogan absent*) to approve the minutes of the December 16, 2022 Board Meeting and January 4, 2023 Organization Meeting, subject to correction by the Clerk of the Board.

Presentation of the Employee of the Month Award was made to Carolyn Darcy, *Case Manager, Countryside Adult Home*.

Supervisor Braymer entered the meeting at 10:06 a.m.

The following individuals were recognized for completing their Leadership Badge Training in Senior Management which was offered to Department Heads and individuals in Senior Management positions: Jennifer Smith, *Self-Insurance Department*, and Julie Pearl, *Department of Social Services*.

Chairman Geraghty apprised prior to commencing with the agenda review an executive session was required and he called for the necessary motion. Motion was made by Supervisor Leggett and seconded by Supervisor Strough to enter into an executive session. Larry Elmen, *County Attorney*, noted the purpose of the executive session related to Section 105 1(f) of the Public Officer's Law regarding the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation. He added Earl Redding, *Special Counsel to the County*, would be participating remotely due to the weather conditions and Jackie Figueroa, *County Human Resources Director*, would also be participating in the executive session. Mr. Elmen noted he would not be participating in the executive session as County Attorney and would be stepping out.

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Supervisor Beaty advised an individual from the public entered the meeting immediately following the privilege of the floor/public comment portion of the meeting and he asked Chairman Geraghty if this individual could speak prior to the Board entering into the executive session and Chairman Geraghty replied in the negative, noting there were time restraints relating to the executive session.

Chairman Geraghty called the question and the motion to enter into an executive session pursuant to Section 105 1(f) of the Public Officer's Law as outlined above carried by majority vote of those present (*Supervisors McDevitt and Hogan absent*), with Supervisor Beaty voting in opposition.

Executive session was held from 10:11 a.m. until 11:08 a.m.; Chairman Geraghty exited the meeting during the executive session and turned the Chair over to Supervisor Leggett.

Chairman Geraghty re-entered the meeting and asked Supervisor Leggett to report on the executive session. Supervisor Leggett announced no action was taken during the executive session.

The agenda review resumed with the Report by the County Administrator.

Report by the County Attorney was given.

Reading of communications by Clerk of the Board was provided, as follows:

Reports from:

1. Capital District Regional Off-Track Betting Corp. - Financial Report dated October 31, 2022

Letters/emails from:

1. FitzGerald, Morris, Baker, Firth - Notice of Public Hearing - CVE US EI8 Quaker LLC Project
2. Hodgson Russ - PILOT Agreement for CHPE LLC Project

Reading of resolutions by the Clerk of the Board was announced as follows:

Resolution Nos. 9-37 were distributed to the Board and posted to the Warren County website on Tuesday, January 17th, as well as three Certificates of Appointment and two Proclamations, which met the distribution deadline specified in the Rules of the Board. The two Proclamations were:

Proclamation No. 1- Mental Wellness Month

Proclamation No. 2 -Blood Donor Month

Floor Resolution Nos. 1-12, included in the Board packets, were outlined individually and motions were requested to bring each to the floor.

Motion was made by Supervisor Dickinson and seconded by Supervisor Merlino to bring proposed Floor Resolution No. 1, *Waiving the Standing Rule of the Board Relating to the Requirement That All Resolutions Be Approved Through the Established Committee Structure in Advance of a Board Meeting in Order to Entertain a Resolution Requiring ASD Spartan NY2 Solar, LLC to Enter into an Agreement for Payments in Lieu of Taxes upon Certain Property Located at 1096 State Route 149, Town of Queensbury*, to the floor. Supervisor Beaty requested a roll call vote. Chairman Geraghty called the question and the motion to bring proposed Floor Resolution No. 1 to the floor carried by majority vote of those present, with 586 voting in favor (*Supervisors Diamond, Bruno, Driscoll, Frasier, Geraci, Dickinson, Merlino, Strough, Wild, Thomas, Runyon, Conover, Leggett and Geraghty*), 57 against (*Supervisor Braymer*), 178 abstaining (*Supervisor Magowan, Seeber and Beaty*) and 92 absent (*Supervisors McDevitt and Hogan*).

Amanda Allen, *Clerk of the Board*, announced Floor Resolution No. 1 would now be proposed Resolution No. 38.

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Motion was made by Supervisor Runyon and seconded by Supervisor Wild to bring proposed Floor Resolution No. 2, *Resolution Requiring ASD Spartan NY2 Solar, LLC to Enter into an Agreement for Payments in Lieu of Taxes upon Certain Property Located at 1096 State Route 149, Town of Queensbury*, to the floor. Supervisor Magowan requested roll call votes on all of the proposed Floor Resolutions before the Board today. Chairman Geraghty called the question and the motion to bring proposed Floor Resolution No. 2 as outlined above to the floor carried by majority vote of those present, with 586 voting in favor (*Supervisors Diamond, Bruno, Driscoll, Frasier, Geraci, Dickinson, Merlino, Strough, Wild, Thomas, Runyon, Conover, Leggett and Geraghty*), 57 against (*Supervisor Braymer*), 178 abstaining (*Supervisor Magowan, Seeber and Beaty*) and 92 absent (*Supervisors McDevitt and Hogan*).

Mrs. Allen announced Floor Resolution No. 2 would now be proposed Resolution No. 39.

Motion was made by Supervisor Thomas and seconded by Supervisor Runyon to bring proposed Floor Resolution No. 3, *Waiving the Standing Rule of the Board Relating to the Requirement That All Resolutions Be Approved Through the Established Committee Structure in Advance of a Board Meeting in Order to Entertain a Resolution Introducing Proposed Local Law No. 2 of 2023, Entitled "A Local Law Amending and Updating Section 4 of Local Law No. 9 of 2021, 'A Local Law Reapportioning the Weighted Vote of the Warren County Board of Supervisors Amongst Twenty (20) Members'"*, to the floor. Chairman Geraghty called the question and the motion to bring proposed Floor Resolution No. 2 to the floor as outlined above carried by majority vote of those present, with 643 voting in favor (*Supervisors Diamond, Braymer, Bruno, Driscoll, Frasier, Geraci, Dickinson, Merlino, Strough, Wild, Thomas, Runyon, Conover, Leggett and Geraghty*), no one voting in opposition, 178 abstaining (*Supervisor Magowan, Seeber and Beaty*) and 92 absent (*Supervisors McDevitt and Hogan*).

Mrs. Allen announced Floor Resolution No. 3 would now be proposed Resolution No. 40. Passed to bring to the floor

Motion was made by Supervisor Braymer and seconded by Supervisor Runyon to bring proposed Floor Resolution No. 4, *Introducing Proposed Local Law No. 2 of 2023, Entitled "A Local Law Amending and Updating Section 4 of Local Law No. 9 of 2021, 'A Local Law Reapportioning the Weighted Vote of the Warren County Board of Supervisors Amongst Twenty (20) Members'"*, to the floor. Chairman Geraghty called the question and the motion to bring proposed Floor Resolution No. 4 as outlined above to the floor carried by majority vote of those present, with 643 voting in favor (*Supervisors Diamond, Braymer, Bruno, Driscoll, Frasier, Geraci, Dickinson, Merlino, Strough, Wild, Thomas, Runyon, Conover, Leggett and Geraghty*), no one voting in opposition, 178 abstaining (*Supervisor Magowan, Seeber and Beaty*) and 92 absent (*Supervisors McDevitt and Hogan*).

Mrs. Allen announced Floor Resolution No. 4 would now be proposed Resolution No. 41.

Motion was made by Supervisor Runyon and seconded by Supervisor Thomas to bring proposed Floor Resolution No. 5, *Waiving the Standing Rule of the Board Relating to the Requirement That All Resolutions Be Approved Through the Established Committee Structure in Advance of a Board Meeting in Order to Entertain a Resolution Introducing Proposed Local Law No. 3 of 2023, Entitled "A Local Law Providing That No Exemption under Real Property Tax Law Section 487 Be Applicable Within the Jurisdiction of the County of Warren with Respect to Any Solar or Wind Energy System or Farm Waste Energy System," and Authorizing a Public Hearing Thereon*, to the floor.

Supervisor Seeber exited the meeting at 11:56 p.m.; Supervisor Dickinson exited the meeting at 11:58 p.m.

A lengthy discussion ensued following which a motion was made by Supervisor Thomas and seconded

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by Supervisor Braymer to table proposed Floor Resolution Nos. 5, *Waiving the Standing Rule of the Board Relating to the Requirement That All Resolutions Be Approved Through the Established Committee Structure in Advance of a Board Meeting in Order to Entertain a Resolution Introducing Proposed Local Law No. 3 of 2023, Entitled "A Local Law Providing That No Exemption under Real Property Tax Law Section 487 Be Applicable Within the Jurisdiction of the County of Warren with Respect to Any Solar or Wind Energy System or Farm Waste Energy System," and Authorizing a Public Hearing Thereon*, and 6, *Introducing Proposed Local Law No. 3 of 2023, Entitled "A Local Law Providing That No Exemption under Real Property Tax Law Section 487 Be Applicable Within the Jurisdiction of the County of Warren with Respect to Any Solar or Wind Energy System or Farm Waste Energy System," and Authorizing a Public Hearing Thereon*, and refer them to a joint meeting of the Economic Growth & Development and Environmental Concerns & Real Property Tax Services Committee for further discussion. Chairman Geraghty requested a roll call vote on the motion to table proposed Floor Resolution Nos. 5 and 6; he called the question and the motion to table proposed Floor Resolution Nos. 5 and 6 as outlined above carried by majority vote of those present, with 679 voting in favor (*Supervisors Diamond, Braymer, Bruno, Driscoll, Frasier, Geraci, Merlino, Strough, Wild., Magowan, Thomas, Runyon, Conover, Leggett and Geraghty*), no one voting against, 89 abstaining (*Supervisor Beaty*) and 234 absent (*Supervisors McDevitt, Hogan, Dickinson and Seeber*).

Motion was made by Supervisor Runyon and seconded by Supervisor Braymer to bring proposed Floor Resolution No. 7, *Waiving the Standing Rule of the Board Relating to the Requirement That All Resolutions Be Approved Through the Established Committee Structure in Advance of a Board Meeting in Order to Entertain a Resolution Approving a Settlement Agreement with Regard to the Opioid Crisis and Authorizing Acceptance of the TEVA/New York Statewide Opioid Settlement Agreement*, to the floor. Chairman Geraghty called the question and the motion to bring proposed Floor Resolution No. 7 to the floor as outlined above carried by majority vote of those present, with 590 voting in favor (*Supervisors Diamond, Braymer, Bruno, Driscoll, Frasier, Geraci, Merlino, Strough, Wild, Thomas, Runyon, Conover, Leggett and Geraghty*), no one opposed, 178 abstaining (*Supervisors Magowan and Beaty*) and 234 absent (*Supervisors McDevitt, Hogan, Dickinson and Seeber*).

Supervisor Dickinson re-entered the meeting at 12:06 p.m. and Supervisor Leggett exited the meeting.

Mrs. Allen announced Floor Resolution No. 7 would now be proposed Resolution No. 42.

Motion was made by Supervisor Driscoll and seconded by Supervisor Braymer to bring proposed Floor Resolution No. 8, *Approving a Settlement Agreement with Regard to the Opioid Crisis and Authorizing Acceptance of the Teva/New York Statewide Opioid Settlement Agreement*, to the floor. Chairman Geraghty called the question and the motion to bring proposed Floor Resolution No. 8 as outlined above carried by majority vote of those present, with 596 voting in favor (*Supervisors Diamond, Braymer, Bruno, Driscoll, Frasier, Geraci, Dickinson, Merlino, Strough, Wild, Thomas, Runyon, Conover and Geraghty*), no one opposed, 178 abstaining (*Supervisors Magowan and Beaty*) and 228 absent (*Supervisors McDevitt, Hogan, Seeber and Leggett*).

Mrs. Allen advised proposed Floor Resolution No. 8 would now be known as proposed Resolution No. 43.

Supervisor Seeber re-entered the meeting at 12:07 p.m.

Motion was made by Supervisor Runyon and seconded by Supervisor Thomas and to bring proposed Floor Resolution No. 9, *Waiving the Standing Rule of the Board Relating to the Requirement That All Resolutions Be Approved Through the Established Committee Structure in Advance of a Board Meeting in Order to Entertain a Resolution Authorizing a Home Rule Request by Warren County for an Extension*

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to the Law Authorizing and Empowering the County of Warren to Impose an Additional Mortgage Recording Tax, to the floor. Chairman Geraghty called the question and the motion to bring proposed Floor Resolution No. 9 as outlined above to the floor carried by majority vote of those present, with 596 voting in favor (*Supervisors Diamond, Braymer, Bruno, Driscoll, Frasier, Geraci, Dickinson, Merlino, Strough, Wild, Thomas, Runyon, Conover and Geraghty*), no one opposed, 267 abstaining (*Supervisors Magowan. Seeber and Beaty*) and 139 absent (*Supervisors McDevitt, Hogan and Leggett*).

Mrs. Allen announced Floor Resolution No. 9 would now be proposed Resolution No. 44.

Motion was made by Supervisor Runyon and seconded by Supervisor Wild to bring proposed Floor Resolution No. 10, *Authorizing a Home Rule Request by Warren County for an Extension to the Law Authorizing and Empowering the County of Warren to Impose an Additional Mortgage Recording Tax*, to the floor. A brief discussion ensued during which Supervisor Wild exited the meeting at 12:09 p.m. Chairman Geraghty called the question and the motion to bring proposed Floor Resolution No. 10 to the floor as outlined above carried by majority vote of those present, with 507 votes in favor (*Supervisors Diamond, Braymer, Bruno, Driscoll, Frasier, Geraci, Dickinson, Merlino, Strough, Thomas, Runyon, Conover and Geraghty*), no one opposed, 267 abstaining (*Supervisors Magowan. Seeber and Beaty*) and 228 absent (*Supervisors McDevitt, Hogan, Wild and Leggett*).

Mrs. Allen stated proposed Floor Resolution No. 10 would now be referred to as proposed Resolution No. 45.

Motion was made by Supervisor Runyon and seconded by Supervisor Dickinson to bring proposed Floor Resolution No. 11, *Waiving the Standing Rule of the Board Relating to the Requirement That All Resolutions Be Approved Through the Established Committee Structure in Advance of a Board Meeting in Order to Entertain a Resolution Appointing Wayne Lamothe as Director of Planning and Community Development*, to the floor.

Supervisor Leggett re-entered the meeting at 12:11 p.m. and Supervisor Wild re-entered at 12:12 p.m.

A discussion ensued regarding the salary for the position during which Supervisor Thomas called for point of order, noting the discussion regarding the salary was not relevant to the motion on the floor. Chairman Geraghty noted the matter could be discussed further during the discussion and public comment on proposed resolutions portion of the meeting. Chairman Geraghty called the question and the motion to bring proposed Floor Resolution No. 11 to the floor as outlined above carried by majority vote of those present, with 586 voting in favor (*Supervisors Diamond, Bruno, Driscoll, Frasier, Geraci, Dickinson, Merlino, Strough, Thomas, Runyon, Conover and Geraghty*), 57 opposed (*Supervisor Braymer*), 267 abstaining (*Supervisors Magowan. Seeber and Beaty*) and 92 absent (*Supervisors McDevitt and Hogan*).

Mrs. Allen announced proposed Resolution No. 11 would now be known as proposed Resolution No. 46.

Motion was made by Supervisor Runyon and seconded by Supervisor Leggett to bring proposed Floor Resolution No. 12, *Appointing Wayne Lamothe as Director of Planning and Community Development*, to the floor. Supervisor Leggett advised this action was required as part of the re-organization of the Planning & Community Development Department. Supervisor Seeber called for point of order, apprising as per the Rules of the Board the only matter that should be debated was why the proposed Resolution should not be brought to the floor. Supervisor Leggett indicated he would hold off on his comments until the appropriate time. Chairman Geraghty called the question and the motion to bring proposed Floor Resolution No. 12 to the floor was outlined above carried by majority vote of those present, with

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643 voting in favor (*Supervisors Diamond, Braymer, Bruno, Driscoll, Frasier, Geraci, Dickinson, Merlino, Strough, Wild, Thomas, Runyon, Conover, Leggett and Geraghty*), no one voting in opposition, 267 abstaining (*Supervisors Magowan, Seeber and Beaty*) and 92 absent (*Supervisors McDevitt and Hogan*).

Mrs. Allen indicated proposed Floor Resolution No. 12 would now be referred to as proposed Resolution No. 47. She advised roll call votes had been requested on every resolution and she inquired whether there was any objection to combining the roll call vote for proposed Resolution Nos. 9-23 together and Supervisor Beaty voiced his objection.

Supervisor Wild inquired whether the fact that the new weighted votes involving the representatives for the City of Glens Falls were not in place resulted in an illegal vote that could be challenged and Mr. Elmen replied in the negative. Mr. Elmen apprised there was no legal reason that any member of the Board of Supervisors could not vote on any matter that was going before the Board today, went before the Board at the January 4th Organizational Meeting or comes before the Board at any future meeting prior to the proposed Local Law restructuring the weighted votes for the City of Glens Falls was adopted. Supervisor Seeber questioned whether it was permissible for a Supervisor to abstain from voting on any actions and Mr. Elmen replied affirmatively. A discussion ensued.

Discussion and public comment on proposed resolutions was called for.

Travis Whitehead, *Town of Queensbury Resident*, spoke regarding New York State Real Property Tax Serviced Law 487. Supervisor Leggett called for point of order, questioning whether the comments made by Mr. Whitehead pertained to the resolutions they would be voting on. Chairman Geraghty ruled in favor of allowing Mr. Whitehead to speak, apprising he believed the comments were relevant. Mr. Whitehead continued with his comments regarding New York State Real Property Tax Services Law 487 which if the County opted out of would allow them to negotiate with the solar companies seeking exemptions. He then proceeded to speak regarding how these solar companies could bypass the local municipalities by going through the local Industrial Development Agency and he suggested the County and School Districts consider opting out of Appendix N of the Warren-Washington County Industrial Development Agency & Civic Development corporation. Mr. Whitehead proceeded to read aloud a statement regarding proposed Resolution No. 22, *Appointing Members to the Warren-Washington Counties Industrial Development Agency and Civic Development Corporation*, relating to the County's appointments to that particular organization.

A lengthy discussion occurred regarding proposed Resolution No. 47, *Appointing Wayne Lamothe as Director of Planning and Community Development*, during which several Supervisors voiced their concerns with the proposed Resolution and the fact that this individual would be retiring at the end of the month and then returning to this full-time position while others voiced their support. During the discussion Chairman Geraghty asked whether the Board would like to enter into an executive session since they were talking about a particular employee, but no one responded.

Further discussion ensued regarding proposed Resolution No. 47, *Appointing Wayne Lamothe as Director of Planning and Community Development*, during which point of order was called for by Supervisor Magowan, indicating the discussion should not be directed toward any specific personnel in the Planning & Community Development Department. Chairman Geraghty ruled in favor of allowing Supervisor Thomas to continue with his comments. Supervisor Thomas spoke in favor of the appointment noted in proposed Resolution No. 47, pointing out the extensive knowledge and experience this individual had. Supervisor Seeber called for point of order, apprising this was not a personal attack on an employee, but rather an issue with the process and she asked that the dialogue remain specific to that topic. Chairman Geraghty ruled in favor of the discussion remaining on topic.

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Motion was made by Supervisor Braymer and seconded by Supervisor Seeber to authorize the Assistant Tourism Coordinator to be paid the rate of pay for the Director of Tourism position so long as the Director of Tourism position remains vacant. Chairman Geraghty interjected they would hold off on dealing with this motion until discussion on resolutions concluded.

A discussion ensued on proposed Resolution No. 39, *Resolution Requiring ASD Spartan NY2 Solar, LLC to Enter into an Agreement for Payments in Lieu of Taxes upon Certain Property Located at 1096 State Route 149, Town of Queensbury*, during which Supervisor Braymer suggested an amendment which would direct the members appointing by Warren County to the Warren-Washington County Industrial Development Agency & Civic Development Corporation to not vote for opting into a PILOT agreement without the direction of the County. Mr. Elmen interjected he was unsure this was legal since they would be binding members future actions who were appointed to that independent position.

Supervisor Seeber advised she would like to circle back to the motion to authorize the Assistant Tourism Coordinator to be paid the rate for the Director of Tourism position retroactive to when the Director position became vacant so as long as the Director of Tourism position remains vacant, noting the Assistant Tourism Coordinator had been handling the duties of the Director since the position had been vacated with no additional compensation which she believed was improper. C

Chairman Geraghty stated a motion was required to Waive the Standing Rule of the Board relating to the requirements that all resolutions be approved through the established Committee structure in advance of a Board meeting in order to entertain a resolution authorizing the Assistant Tourism Coordinator to be paid the rate of pay for the Director of Tourism position so long as the Director of Tourism position remains vacant. The necessary motion was made by Supervisor Magowan and seconded by Supervisor Diamond; a roll call vote on the motion was requested by Supervisor Leggett. Chairman Geraghty called the question and the motion to Waive the Standing Rules of the Board as outlined above carried by majority vote of those present, with 673 voting in favor (*Supervisors Diamond, Braymer, Bruno, Driscoll, Frasier, Geraci, Dickinson, Merlino, Strough, Wild, Magowan, Runyon, Conover and Geraghty*), 59 voting in opposition (*Supervisors Thomas and Leggett*), 178 abstaining (*Supervisors Seeber and Beaty*) and 92 absent (*Supervisors McDevitt and Hogan*).

Supervisor Frasier exited the meeting at 1:36 p.m.

Returning to the motion made by Supervisor Braymer and seconded by Supervisor Seeber to authorize the Assistant Tourism Coordinator to be paid the rate of pay for the Director of Tourism position retroactive to when the Director position became vacant so long as the Director of Tourism position remains vacant, Mr. Elmen apprised there could be a legal issue with regard to returning to 2022 to pay for work that was already performed which he discuss and clarify with the Treasurer following the meeting regardless of what action the Board decided to take on this matter. Supervisors Braymer and Seeber amended their motions to change the effective date for the salary change to January 1, 2023. A discussion ensued following which Supervisors Braymer and Seeber amended the motion once again to change the effective date to January 20, 2023. A roll call vote was called for; Chairman Geraghty called the question and the motion as amended to authorize the Assistant Tourism Coordinator to be paid the rate of pay for the Director of Tourism effective today so long as the Director of Tourism position remains vacant was carried by majority vote with 710 votes in favor favor (*Supervisors Diamond, Braymer, Bruno, Driscoll, Geraci, Dickinson, Merlino, Strough, Wild, Magowan, Runyon, Conover, Leggett and Geraghty*), and 10 opposed (*Supervisor Thomas*), and 178 abstaining (*Supervisors Seeber and Beaty*) and 92 absent (*Supervisors McDevitt, Fraiser and Hogan*).

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Voting on resolutions occurred; Resolution Nos. 9-49 were approved as presented.

Chairman Geraghty offered privilege of the floor and the following spoke:

Linda Clark, *retired School Teacher*, voiced her displeasure regarding a retired employee returning to work full-time while also collecting their retirement benefits.

Supervisor Driscoll spoke regarding the redistricting in the City of Glens Falls, apprising a map was available on the City Clerk's website for review.

Supervisor Merlino exited the meeting at 1:41 p.m.

Supervisor Geraci notified the Clerk of the Board had emailed all of the Board members requesting that they provide their preferences for Committee meeting assignments.

Supervisor Magowan inquired when the Standing Committee List would be distributed to the Supervisors and Chairman Geraghty apprised during announcements he had planned to ask the Board members to stop by the Clerk of the Board's Office to pick up the List.

Supervisor Dickinson exited the meeting at 1:43 p.m.

Supervisor Seeber spoke regarding her displeasure that the Chairman of the Board had not contacted her regarding the Standing Committee List, adding when she served as Chair she had distributed the List prior to the first regular Board Meeting of the year. She asked Mr. Elmen if the Board was in an executive session and one of the Board members recused themselves were the other Board members permitted to provide an update on what occurred in executive session to the member that recused themselves and Mr. Elmen replied he was unsure off the top of his head, but he was unaware of any circumstance that prevented them from being informed regarding what occurred during the executive session. He continued, noting, he would research the matter further and report back to Supervisor Seeber. Supervisor Seeber then questioned whether the member who recused themselves was then permitted to ask questions or to inquire about what occurred whether it pertained to what occurred during an executive session or why a Board member voted in a certain manner and Mr. Elmen responded while he was unaware of any restrictions outside of the restrictions that were created by not participating, he would have to research the matter further. Supervisor Seeber advised given this was her last Board Meeting and she would be submitting her letter of resignation from the Board on or before January 23rd she would respectfully request that Mr. Elmen still provide her with answers to her questions, only as a member of the public rather than a sitting Supervisor.

Supervisor Seeber thanked the Town of Queensbury residents for allowing her to serve them as an At-Large Supervisor on the Board since 2014, as well as the Warren County citizens for trusting her since 1999 into 2000 when she worked as a Crime Victim Advocate, as she had been blessed to serve in this role and as a County employee.

Supervisor Beaty advised Supervisor Seeber had been one of the outstanding Chair of the Board's for Warren County, noting her stellar work ethic. He added the loss of Supervisors Seeber and Hogan from the Board were significant. He stated Supervisor Seeber worked harder than any other representative on the Board from the Town of Queensbury and he thanked her personally for all she had done during her tenure.

Supervisor Diamond indicated he had enjoyed working with Supervisor Seeber on the Board and he wished her luck with her future endeavors.

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Supervisor Braymer thanked Supervisor Seeber for her many years of service to the residents of Warren County, as well as her dedication as an At-Large Supervisor from the Town of Queensbury on this Board and she wished her well in her future endeavors.

Supervisor Leggett wished the best for Supervisor Seeber in her future endeavors, indicating her admired her ability to multi-task.

Supervisor Magowan spoke regarding Supervisor Seeber's drive for representing her constituents, apprising he had enjoyed working closely with her. He than spoke regarding how saddened he was to learn Supervisor Hogan would also be resigning from the Board, as she had contributed significantly to the Board.

Chairman Geraghty wished Supervisor Seeber well in her next endeavor, apprising although they had their differences over the years, they also had some good times.

Supervisor Conover exited the meeting at 1:56 p.m.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Supervisors, Chairman Geraghty adjourned the Board Meeting at 2:08 p.m.