## Albany County Charter Review Commission October 23, 2013, 6:30 p.m. Room 620 Albany County Office Building

## Members Present:

Henry M. Greenberg Willow F. Baer Jacob M. Crawford Patrick O. Dalzell Paul L. Weafer Ami Schnauber Bob Batson Mike Elmendorf Chris Hannifan

## Others in Attendance:

Carina Comiskey Patrick Collins Arnis Zilgme

Mr. Greenberg called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Mr. Crawford made a motion to approve minutes from the Commission's October 15, 2013 meeting. Ms. Baer seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

The Commission interviewed Albany County Legislative Chairman, Shawn M. Morse and Albany County Legislature Majority Leader, Frank J. Commisso. Chairman Morse spoke to the Commission about the functions, duties and general practices of the Albany County Legislature. The Commission asked Chairman Morse questions regarding his view on the Albany County Charter both as an Albany County Legislator and as Chairman of the Legislature. The Commission asked Chairman Morse and Mr. Commisso about specific sections of the Charter relating to the budget process. The Commission also asked Chairman Morse and Mr. Commisso questions regarding any sections of the Charter to which they would suggest substantive changes.

Mr. Batson reported on his review of the size of the Albany County Legislature, including comparisons between Albany County and the rest of the counties in New York State.

The Commission agreed that its next meeting should be scheduled for Thursday, November 7, 2013, at 6:30 p.m.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mr. Greenberg, which motion was seconded by Mr. Crawford and unanimously approved.