

**Laws, Rules & Government Services Committee  
Regular Meeting Minutes**

**DATE & TIME:** May 15, 2025 – 4:00 PM  
**LOCATION(S):** KL Binder Library, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, County Office Building, Kingston  
Livestreamed at <https://www.youtube.com/@UlsterCountyLegislature/streams>  
**PRESIDING OFFICER:** Chair Kovacs  
**LEGISLATIVE STAFF:** Jay Mahler, Deputy Clerk & Tyron Rogers, Technical Support Specialist  
**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Legislators Gavaris, Hansut, Harmon, Kitchen (arrived 4:03 PM) & Levine  
**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Legislator Uchitelle  
**QUORUM PRESENT:** Yes

**OTHER ATTENDEES:** Legislators Collins and Nolan; Legislative Counsel Ragucci and Minority Counsel Pascale; Deputy County Executive Jamie Capuano, Comptroller March Gallagher

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Chair Kovacs called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM and asked those present to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

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**Motion No. 1:** **Motion to Approve the Minutes of the April 10<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting**

**Motion Made By:** Legislator Gavaris  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Hansut

**Voting in Favor:** Legislators Gavaris, Hansut, Harmon, Kitchen, Kovacs & Levine  
**Voting Against:** None  
**Votes in Favor:** 6  
**Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** **Minutes Approved**

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Resolutions for the May 20, 2025 Session of the Legislature:

**Resolution No. 218** – Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 5 Of 2025, A Local Law Amending Local Law No. 7 Of 2025, A Local Law Providing Real Property Tax Exemption Of The County Portion Of The Real Property Taxation And Special Ad Valorem Levies For The Creation Of New Accessory Dwelling Units In Accordance New York State Real Property Tax Law Article 4 Title 2 Private Property Section 421-P\*2, To Be Held On Tuesday, June 17, 2025 At 7:20 PM

**Resolution Summary** – This Resolution sets a Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law No. 5 Of 2025, A Local Law Amending Local Law No. 7 Of 2025, A Local Law Providing Real Property Tax Exemption Of The County Portion Of The Real Property Taxation And Special Ad Valorem Levies For The Creation Of New Accessory Dwelling Units In Accordance New York State Real Property Tax Law Article 4 Title 2 Private Property Section 421-P\*2, to be held on Tuesday, June 17, 2025 at 7:20 PM.

**Motion No. 2:** **Motion to Amend Resolution No. 218 to change the Public Hearing start time to 7:10 PM**

**Motion Made By:** Legislator Gavaris

**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Harmon

**Voting in Favor:** Legislators Gavaris, Hansut, Harmon, Kitchen, Kovacs & Levine

**Voting Against:** None

**Votes in Favor:** 6

**Votes Against:** 0

**Disposition:** **Amendment Adopted**

**Motion No. 3:** **Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 218 As Amended**

**Motion Made By:** Legislator Gavaris

**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Levine

**Voting in Favor:** Legislators Gavaris, Hansut, Harmon, Kitchen, Kovacs & Levine

**Voting Against:** None

**Votes in Favor:** 6

**Votes Against:** 0

**Disposition:** **Resolution Adopted As Amended**

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**Resolution No. 264** – Adopting Proposed Local Law No. 2 Of 2025, A Local Law Amending The Code Of The County Of Ulster, Chapter 232 Living Wage, Definitions, In Relation To Youth Employment Programs

**Resolution Summary** – This Resolution adopts Proposed Local Law No. 2 Of 2025, A Local Law Amending The Code Of The County Of Ulster, Chapter 232 Living Wage, Definitions, In Relation To Youth Employment Programs.

**Motion No. 4:** **Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 264**

**Motion Made By:** Legislator Gavaris

**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Kitchen

**Voting in Favor:** Legislators Gavaris, Hansut, Harmon, Kitchen, Kovacs & Levine

**Voting Against:** None

**Votes in Favor:** 6

**Votes Against:** 0

**Disposition:** **Resolution Adopted**

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**Resolution No. 265** – Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 6 Of 2025, A Local Law Amending The Ulster County Charter, (Local Law No. 2 Of 2006), Amending The Administrative Code For The County Of Ulster, (Local Law No. 10 Of 2008), And Amending The Code Of The County Of Ulster, To Modify Various Sections In Relation To Provisions Governing Budget And Finance, To Be Held On Tuesday, June 17, 2025 At 7:25 PM

**Resolution Summary** – This Resolution sets a Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law No. 6 Of 2025, A Local Law Amending The Ulster County Charter, (Local Law No. 2 Of 2006), Amending The Administrative Code For The County Of Ulster, (Local Law No. 10 Of 2008), And Amending The Code Of The County Of Ulster, To Modify Various Sections In Relation To Provisions Governing Budget And Finance, to be held on Tuesday, June 17, 2025 At 7:25 PM.

**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Harmon

**Disposition:** Resolution Postponed

**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Harmon

Disposition:	Resolution Adopted
1. The Board of Directors shall review and approve the annual budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024.	Resolved, that the Board of Directors shall review and approve the annual budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024.
2. The Board of Directors shall review and approve the annual financial statements for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024.	Resolved, that the Board of Directors shall review and approve the annual financial statements for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024.
3. The Board of Directors shall review and approve the annual report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024.	Resolved, that the Board of Directors shall review and approve the annual report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024.
4. The Board of Directors shall review and approve the annual dividend payment for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024.	Resolved, that the Board of Directors shall review and approve the annual dividend payment for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024.
5. The Board of Directors shall review and approve the annual compensation plan for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024.	Resolved, that the Board of Directors shall review and approve the annual compensation plan for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024.
6. The Board of Directors shall review and approve the annual risk management plan for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024.	Resolved, that the Board of Directors shall review and approve the annual risk management plan for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024.
7. The Board of Directors shall review and approve the annual sustainability plan for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024.	Resolved, that the Board of Directors shall review and approve the annual sustainability plan for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024.
8. The Board of Directors shall review and approve the annual cybersecurity plan for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024.	Resolved, that the Board of Directors shall review and approve the annual cybersecurity plan for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024.
9. The Board of Directors shall review and approve the annual data privacy plan for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024.	Resolved, that the Board of Directors shall review and approve the annual data privacy plan for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024.
10. The Board of Directors shall review and approve the annual information security plan for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024.	Resolved, that the Board of Directors shall review and approve the annual information security plan for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024.

**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Harmon

**Disposition:** **Postponement Failed**

**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Levine

**Voting in Favor:** None

<b>Voting Against:</b>	Legislators Gavaris, Hansut, Harmon, Kitchen, Kovacs & Levine
<b>Votes in Favor:</b>	0
<b>Votes Against:</b>	6
<b>Disposition:</b>	<b>Resolution Defeated</b>

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**LATE Resolution No. 268** – Approving The Memorandum Of Agreement Between The County Of Ulster And The Ulster County Deputy Sheriff’s Police Benevolent Association, Inc, For The Years 2025, 2026, 2027 And 2028 – Amending The 2025 Ulster County Budget

**Resolution Summary** – This Resolution authorizes the County Executive to execute a Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Ulster County Police Benevolent Association, Inc. (PBA), and amends the 2025 Operating Budget in the amount of \$701,898.00.

<b>Motion No. 9:</b>	<b>Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 268</b>
<b>Motion Made By:</b>	Legislator Gavaris
<b>Motion Seconded By:</b>	Legislator Hansut

<b>Voting in Favor:</b>	Legislators Gavaris, Hansut, Harmon, Kitchen, Kovacs & Levine
<b>Voting Against:</b>	None
<b>Votes in Favor:</b>	6
<b>Votes Against:</b>	0
<b>Disposition:</b>	<b>Resolution Adopted</b>

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#### **Forthcoming Resolutions**

- **Resolution No. 470 of 2024** – Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 10 Of 2024, A Local Law Amending The Code Of The County Of Ulster, Chapter 205 Food Service, Article II Use Of Disposable Polystyrene Foam, To Include Thermoform Plastic, To Be Held On Tuesday, June 17, 2025 At 7:00 PM (*No Action Taken in Energy, Environment & Sustainability Committee on May 6<sup>th</sup>*)
- **Resolution No. 143** – Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 3 Of 2025, A Local Law To Ensure The Safety Of Vulnerable Road Users In Ulster County, To Be Held On Tuesday, June 17, 2025 At 7:05 PM (*Postponed in Housing & Transportation Committee on May 8<sup>th</sup>*)
- **Resolution No. 178** – Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 4 Of 2025, A Local Law Providing For The Protection And Restoration Of The Esopus Creek, Rondout Creek And Wallkill River In Ulster County, And Providing For The Rights Of The Residents Of Ulster County To Clean Water And A Healthy And Productive Ecosystem, To Be Held On Tuesday, June 17, 2025 At 7:10 PM (*No Action Taken in Energy, Environment & Sustainability Committee on May 6<sup>th</sup>*)

<b>New Business</b>	None
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## **Adjournment**

**Motion Made By:** Legislator Gavaris

**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Hansut

**Votes in Favor:** 6

**Votes Against:** 0

**TIME:** 4:30 PM

**Respectfully Submitted:** Jay Mahler, Deputy Clerk

**Approved:** June 12, 2025

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