

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

DATE & TIME: June 12, 2025 – 4:00 PM
LOCATION(S): Legislative Chambers, 6th 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 Criswell, Gavaris, Hansut, Harmon, Levine & Uchitelle
MEMBERS ABSENT: Legislator Kitchen
QUORUM PRESENT: Yes

OTHER ATTENDEES: Legislator Collins; Legislative Counsel Ragucci and Minority Counsel Pascale;
Deputy County Executives Jamie Capuano & James Amenta, 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.

Motion No. 1: Motion to Approve the Minutes of the May 15th Regular Meeting

Motion Made By: Legislator Levine
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Gavaris

Voting in Favor: Legislators Criswell, Gavaris, Hansut, Harmon, Kovacs, Levine & Uchitelle
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 7
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Minutes Approved**

Resolutions for the June 17, 2025 Session of the Legislature:

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, July 15, 2025 At 7:10 PM

Resolution Summary – This Resolution sets 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, July 15, 2025 At 7:10 PM.

Motion No. 2: Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 143
Motion Made By: Legislator Gavaris
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Uchitelle

Voting in Favor: Legislators Criswell, Gavaris, Hansut, Harmon, Kovacs, Levine & Uchitelle
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 7
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution Adopted**

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, July 15, 2025 At 7:15 PM

Motion No. 3: **Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 265**
Motion Made By: Legislator Gavaris
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Harmon

Voting in Favor: Legislators Criswell, Gavaris, Hansut, Harmon, Kovacs, Levine & Uchitelle
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 7
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution Adopted**

Resolution No. 300 – Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 7 Of 2025, A Local Law Amending Section C-42(A) Of The Ulster County Charter And Section A5-3(A) Of The Administrative Code For The County Of Ulster To Reflect Recent Changes In State Public Health Law Regarding The Composition Requirements For Local Boards Of Health, To Be Held On Tuesday, July 15, 2025 At 7:20 PM

Resolution Summary – This Resolution sets a Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law No. 7 Of 2025, A Local Law Amending Section C-42(A) Of The Ulster County Charter And Section A5-3(A) Of The Administrative Code For The County Of Ulster To Reflect Recent Changes In State Public Health Law Regarding The Composition Requirements For Local Boards Of Health, to be held on Tuesday, July 15, 2025 at 7:20 PM.

Motion No. 4: **Motion to Amend Resolution No. 300 to change the Public Hearing start time to 7:00 PM**
Motion Made By: Legislator Gavaris
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Uchitelle

Voting in Favor: Legislators Criswell, Gavaris, Hansut, Harmon, Kovacs, Levine & Uchitelle
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 7
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Amendment Adopted**

Motion No. 5: **Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 300 As Amended**
Motion Made By: Legislator Gavaris
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Uchitelle

Voting in Favor: Legislators Criswell, Gavaris, Hansut, Harmon, Kovacs, Levine & Uchitelle

Voting Against:	None
Votes in Favor:	7
Votes Against:	0
Disposition:	Resolution Adopted As Amended

Resolution No. 308 – Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 8 Of 2025, A Local Law Amending The Ulster County Charter, (Local Law No. 2 Of 2006), And Amending The Administrative Code For The County Of Ulster, (Local Law No. 10 Of 2008), To Amend Charter Article XXXIV Periodic Compensation Review Committee §C-110 And Administrative Code Article XXXIV Periodic Compensation Review Committee §A34-3, To Be Held On Tuesday, July 15, 2025 At 7:25 PM

Resolution Summary – This Resolution sets a Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law No. 8 Of 2025, A Local Law Amending The Ulster County Charter, (Local Law No. 2 Of 2006), And Amending The Administrative Code For The County Of Ulster, (Local Law No. 10 Of 2008), To Amend Charter Article XXXIV Periodic Compensation Review Committee §C-110 And Administrative Code Article XXXIV Periodic Compensation Review Committee §A34-3, to be held on Tuesday, July 15, 2025 at 7:25 PM.

Motion No. 6:	Motion to Amend Resolution No. 308 to change the Public Hearing start time to 7:05 PM
Motion Made By:	Legislator Gavaris
Motion Seconded By:	Legislator Uchitelle

Voting in Favor:	Legislators Criswell, Gavaris, Hansut, Harmon, Kovacs, Levine & Uchitelle
Voting Against:	None
Votes in Favor:	7
Votes Against:	0
Disposition:	Amendment Adopted

Motion No. 7:	Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 308 As Amended
Motion Made By:	Legislator Gavaris
Motion Seconded By:	Legislator Hansut

Voting in Favor:	Legislators Criswell, Gavaris, Hansut, Kovacs & Levine
Voting Against:	Legislators Harmon & Uchitelle
Votes in Favor:	5
Votes Against:	2
Disposition:	Resolution Adopted As Amended

LATE Resolution No. 317 – Authorizing Submission Of A Grant Application To The Federal Transit Administration To Accept 5307 Funds For Design, Site Selection, And Facility Analysis Of UCAT Transportation Facilities And Authorizing The Ulster County Executive To Execute Any Required Applications Or Agreements In Order To Accept Funding – Ulster County Area Transit (UCAT)

Resolution Summary – This Resolution supports a grant application to the FTA for 5307 Funds, and authorizes the County Executive to execute any required applications or agreements and any amendments to any documents to accept the funding agreement with the FTA.

Motion No. 8:	Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 317
Motion Made By:	Legislator Gavaris
Motion Seconded By:	Legislator Harmon

Voting in Favor:	Legislators Criswell, Gavaris, Hansut, Harmon, Kovacs, Levine & Uchitelle
Voting Against:	None
Votes in Favor:	7
Votes Against:	0
Disposition:	Resolution Adopted

LATE Resolution No. 318 – Authorizing Submission Of A Grant Application To The Federal Transit Administration To Accept 5339(B) Funds For Capital Expenditures And Authorizing The Ulster County Executive To Execute Any Required Applications Or Agreements In Order To Accept Funding – Ulster County Area Transit (UCAT)

Resolution Summary – This Resolution supports a grant application to the FTA for 5339 Funds, and authorizes the County Executive to execute any required applications or agreements, and any amendments to any documents to accept the funding agreement with the FTA.

Motion No. 9:	Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 318
Motion Made By:	Legislator Gavaris
Motion Seconded By:	Legislator Uchitelle

Voting in Favor:	Legislators Criswell, Gavaris, Hansut, Harmon, Kovacs, Levine & Uchitelle
Voting Against:	None
Votes in Favor:	7
Votes Against:	0
Disposition:	Resolution Adopted

LATE Resolution No. 319 – Approving The Memorandum Of Agreement Between The County Of Ulster And The Ulster County Sheriff’s Employee Association, 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 Sheriff’s Employee Association, and amends the 2025 Operating Budget in the amount of \$988,525.00.

Motion No. 10:	Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 319
Motion Made By:	Legislator Gavaris
Motion Seconded By:	Legislator Hansut

Voting in Favor:	Legislators Criswell, Gavaris, Hansut, Harmon, Kovacs, Levine & Uchitelle
Voting Against:	None
Votes in Favor:	7
Votes Against:	0
Disposition:	Resolution Adopted

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, July 15, 2025 At 7:00 PM (*Postponed in Energy, Environment & Sustainability Committee on June 3rd*)
- **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, July 15, 2025 At 7:05 PM (*Postponed in Energy, Environment & Sustainability Committee on June 3rd*)

New Business None

Old Business None

Adjournment

Motion Made By: Legislator Levine
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Harmon
Votes in Favor: 7
Votes Against: 0

TIME: 4:16 PM
Respectfully Submitted: Jay Mahler, Deputy Clerk
Approved: July 10, 2025

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