

**Economic Development, Planning, Education, Employment,  
Arts and Agriculture Committee**

**DATE & TIME:** January 31, 2023 – 6:00 PM  
**LOCATION:** KL Binder Library, COB, Kingston, New York  
**PRESIDING OFFICER:** Deputy Chair Herbert Litts, III  
**LEGISLATIVE STAFF:** Michael Tierney  
**PRESENT:** Legislators Thomas Corcoran, Chris Hewitt (Joined at 6:04PM),  
Joseph Maloney, Megan Sperry  
**ABSENT:** Chair Brian Cahill, Legislator Peter Criswell  
**QUORUM PRESENT:** Yes  
**OTHER ATTENDEES:** Legislator Kathy Nolan, Deputy Executive Chris Kelly, Planning  
Director Dennis Doyle, Deputy Planning Director Amanda LaValle, Director of Employment &  
Training Sharon Williams, CCE Director Linda Tripp, Recovery and Resiliency Director Nate  
Litwin, Amanda Buckley

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Deputy Chair Litts called the meeting to order at 6:01PM and led the committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Resolutions for the February 14, 2023 Session of the Legislature**

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**Resolution No. 10 -** Reappointing Legislative Members To The Soil And Water  
Conservation District Board  
**Resolution Summary:** Reappointing Legislators Litts and Nolan to the Soil and Water  
Conservation District Board

**Motion No. 2:** **Moved Resolution No. 10 For DISCUSSION**  
**Motion Made By:** Legislator Sperry  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Corcoran

**Discussion:** None. Hearing none Deputy Chair Litts called the question.

**Voting in Favor:** Legislators Litts, Corcoran, Maloney, Sperry  
**Voting Against:** None  
**Votes in Favor:** 4  
**Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** **Resolution ADOPTED**

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**Resolution No. 26 -** Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$290,000.00 Entered  
Into By The County – SEI Design Group Architects DPC – Ulster  
County Community College  
**Resolution Summary:** Architectural services for the renovation of the existing  
Maintenance Facility building at SUNY Ulster

**Motion No. 3:** **Moved Resolution No. 26 For DISCUSSION**  
**Motion Made By:** Legislator Sperry

**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Corcoran

**Discussion:** None. Hearing none Deputy Chair Litts called the question.

**Voting in Favor:** Legislators Litts, Corcoran, Maloney, Sperry

**Voting Against:** None

**Votes in Favor:** 4

**Votes Against:** 0

**Disposition:** **Resolution ADOPTED**

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**Resolution No. 27 -** Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Enter Into Intermunicipal Agreements With Various Municipalities For The Operation Of The Summer Youth Employment Program, Gun Violence Prevention Initiative, And The Young Adult Employment Program – Office Of Employment And Training

**Resolution Summary:** Intermunicipal agreements with various municipalities for the worksite agreement for the Ulster County Office of Employment and Training’s Year-Round Young Adult Employment Program, Gun Violence Prevention Initiative

**Motion No. 4:** **Moved Resolution No. 27 For DISCUSSION**

**Motion Made By:** Legislator Sperry

**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Maloney

**Discussion:** Chair Litts spoke to the need to have this program in Southern Ulster County. Hearing no further discussion, Chair Litts called the question.

**Voting in Favor:** Legislators Litts, Corcoran, Hewitt, Maloney, Sperry

**Voting Against:** None

**Votes in Favor:** 5

**Votes Against:** 0

**Disposition:** **Resolution ADOPTED**

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**Resolution No. 28 -** Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$62,060.00 Entered Into By The County – Community Planning & Environmental Associates – Department Of Planning

**Resolution Summary:** Updating the Ulster County Agricultural and Farmland Protection Plan

**Motion No. 5:** **Moved Resolution No. 620 For DISCUSSION**

**Motion Made By:** Legislator Maloney

**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Corcoran

**Discussion:** None. Hearing none Deputy Chair Litts called the question.

**Voting in Favor:** Legislators Litts, Corcoran, Hewitt, Maloney, Sperry

**Voting Against:** None

<b>Votes in Favor:</b>	5
<b>Votes Against:</b>	0
<b>Disposition:</b>	<b>Resolution ADOPTED</b>
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<b>Resolution No. 29 -</b>	Appointing Member To The Ulster County Planning Board – City Of Kingston
<b>Resolution Summary:</b>	Appointing Lee Molyneaux
<b>Motion No. 6:</b>	<b>Moved Resolution No. 29 For DISCUSSION</b>
<b>Motion Made By:</b>	Legislator Corcoran
<b>Motion Seconded By:</b>	Legislator Maloney
<b>Discussion:</b>	None. Hearing none Deputy Chair Litts called the question.
<b>Voting in Favor:</b>	Legislators Litts, Corcoran, Hewitt, Maloney, Sperry
<b>Voting Against:</b>	None
<b>Votes in Favor:</b>	5
<b>Votes Against:</b>	0
<b>Disposition:</b>	<b>Resolution ADOPTED</b>
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<b>Resolution No. 30 -</b>	Reappointing Member And Appointing Alternate To The Ulster County Planning Board – Town Of Esopus
<b>Resolution Summary:</b>	Appointing Roxanne Precora, with Fred Zimmer as alternate
<b>Motion No. 7:</b>	<b>Moved Resolution No. 620 For DISCUSSION</b>
<b>Motion Made By:</b>	Legislator Sperry
<b>Motion Seconded By:</b>	Legislator Hewitt
<b>Discussion:</b>	Planning Director Doyle stated that the Resolution should be amended to remove Mr. Zimmer as the alternate, citing illness.
<b>Motion No. 8</b>	<b>Moved to AMEND Resolution No. 30 Remove Mr. Zimmer</b>
<b>Motion Made By:</b>	Legislator Maloney
<b>Motion Seconded By:</b>	Legislator Sperry
<b>Voting in Favor:</b>	Litts, Corcoran, Hewitt, Maloney, Sperry
<b>Voting Against:</b>	None
<b>Votes in Favor:</b>	5
<b>Votes Against:</b>	0
<b>Disposition:</b>	<b>Resolution Amended</b>
<b>Motion No. 9</b>	<b>Moved to ADOPT RESOLUTION AS AMENDED</b>
<b>Motion Made By:</b>	Legislator Sperry
<b>Motion Seconded By:</b>	Legislator Maloney
<b>Voting in Favor:</b>	Litts, Corcoran, Hewitt, Maloney, Sperry
<b>Voting Against:</b>	None
<b>Votes in Favor:</b>	5
<b>Votes Against:</b>	0

<b>Disposition:</b>	<b>RESOLUTION ADOPTED AS AMENDED</b>
<b>Resolution No. 31 -</b>	Reappointing Member And Alternate To The Ulster County Planning Board – Village Of New Paltz
<b>Resolution Summary:</b>	Appointing William Murray, with Stana Weisburd as alternate
<b>Motion No. 10:</b>	<b>Moved Resolution No. 31 For DISCUSSION</b>
<b>Motion Made By:</b>	Legislator Sperry
<b>Motion Seconded By:</b>	Legislator Maloney
<b>Discussion:</b>	None. Hearing none Deputy Chair Litts called the question.
<b>Voting in Favor:</b>	Litts, Corcoran, Hewitt, Maloney, Sperry
<b>Voting Against:</b>	None
<b>Votes in Favor:</b>	5
<b>Votes Against:</b>	0
<b>Disposition:</b>	<b>Resolution ADOPTED</b>
<b>Resolution No. 32 -</b>	Reappointing Member And Alternate To The Ulster County Planning Board – Town Of Rosendale
<b>Resolution Summary:</b>	Appointing Jere Brown, with John Ivankovic as alternate
<b>Motion No. 11:</b>	<b>Moved Resolution No. 32 For DISCUSSION</b>
<b>Motion Made By:</b>	Legislator Sperry
<b>Motion Seconded By:</b>	Legislator Maloney
<b>Discussion:</b>	None. Hearing none Deputy Chair Litts called the question.
<b>Voting in Favor:</b>	Litts, Corcoran, Hewitt, Maloney, Sperry
<b>Voting Against:</b>	None
<b>Votes in Favor:</b>	5
<b>Votes Against:</b>	0
<b>Disposition:</b>	<b>Resolution ADOPTED</b>
<b>Resolution No. 33 -</b>	Reappointing Member To The Ulster County Planning Board – Village Of Saugerties
<b>Resolution Summary:</b>	Appointing Vincent McLaughlin
<b>Motion No. 12:</b>	<b>Moved Resolution No. 33 For DISCUSSION</b>
<b>Motion Made By:</b>	Legislator Maloney
<b>Motion Seconded By:</b>	Legislator Corcoran
<b>Discussion:</b>	None. Hearing none Deputy Chair Litts called the question.
<b>Voting in Favor:</b>	Legislators Litts, Corcoran, Hewitt, Maloney, Sperry
<b>Voting Against:</b>	None
<b>Votes in Favor:</b>	5
<b>Votes Against:</b>	0
<b>Disposition:</b>	<b>Resolution ADOPTED</b>

**Resolution No. 34 -** Amending The 2023 - 2028 Capital Improvement Program - Amending Capital Project No. 334 - Kingston Rail Trail (PIN 8758.04) To Provide Funding For Construction – Amending The 2023 Capital Fund Budget - Department Of Planning  
**Resolution Summary:** Increasing the funding for Capital Project No. 334 by \$605,245.00

**Motion No. 13:** **Moved Resolution No. 34 For DISCUSSION**  
**Motion Made By:** Legislator Sperry  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Maloney

**Discussion:** Planning Director Doyle spoke to the specifications of the on the project, as well as the bidding process, highlighting that bids came in significantly over original estimate. Chair Litts inquired on the status of easements, which Director Doyle stated they were donated by the property owner. Hearing no further discussion, Deputy Chair Litts called the question.

**Voting in Favor:** Legislators Litts, Corcoran, Hewitt, Sperry  
**Voting Against:** Legislator Maloney  
**Votes in Favor:** 4  
**Votes Against:** 1  
**Disposition:** **Resolution ADOPTED**

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**Resolution No. 36 -** Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$3,060,930.75 Entered Into By The County – Arold Construction Company, Inc. – Department Of Public Works  
**Resolution Summary:** Construction services for Capital Project No. 334

**Motion No. 14:** **Moved Resolution No. 36 For DISCUSSION**  
**Motion Made By:** Legislator Sperry  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Maloney

**Discussion:** Legislator Hewitt stated he would be voting no due to the use of petroleum in the treating of the asphalt. Hearing no further discussion, Deputy Chair Litts called the question.

**Voting in Favor:** Legislators Litts, Corcoran, Sperry  
**Voting Against:** Legislators Hewitt, Maloney  
**Votes in Favor:** 3  
**Votes Against:** 2  
**Disposition:** **Resolution DEFEATED**

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**Resolution No. 37 -** Authorizing The Department Of Planning To Submit An Application To The New York State Energy Research And Development Authority (NYSERDA) For Financial And Technical Assistance In Design And Construction Of Energy Efficient And Renewable Energy Equipment At The Proposed Government Operations Center – Department Of Planning

**Resolution Summary:** Authorizing the Department of Planning to pursue grants through NYSERDA for energy efficient equipment and design

**Motion No. 15:** **Moved Resolution No. 37 For DISCUSSION**

**Motion Made By:** Legislator Sperry

**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Corcoran

**Discussion:** Legislator Maloney inquired how this energy backup will coordinate with County Executive Metzger's CLCPA Executive Order. Deputy Executive Kelly stated this would be a study to determine power needs and act accordingly. Hearing no further discussion, Deputy Chair Litts called the question.

**Voting in Favor:** Legislators Corcoran, Hewitt, Sperry

**Voting Against:** Legislator Maloney

**Voting Abstention:** Litts

**Votes in Favor:** 3

**Votes Against:** 1

**Votes Abstained:** 1

**Disposition:** **Resolution DEFEATED**

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**Resolution No. 38 -** Authorizing The Chair Of The Legislature To Execute A Development Agreement With AC Power Development Company LLC, For Development Of A Solar Array At The Hertel Landfill Site, A Foreclosure Eligible Parcel – Department Of Planning Agreement with AC Power Development Company LLC to mitigate contaminants, pay back taxes and construct solar arrays at the Hertell Landfill

**Resolution Summary:**

**Motion No. 16:** **Moved Resolution No. 38 For DISCUSSION**

**Motion Made By:** Legislator Sperry

**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Hewitt

**Discussion:** Legislator Maloney inquired how many firms applied for the contract. Deputy Planning Director LaValle stated that seven companies applied for the RFQ, but this was the only one that agreed to take ownership of the land and pay the back taxes. Hearing no further discussion, Deputy Chair Litts called the question.

**Voting in Favor:** Legislators Litts, Corcoran, Hewitt, Maloney, Sperry

**Voting Against:** None

**Votes in Favor:** 5

**Votes Against:** 0

**Disposition:** **Resolution ADOPTED**

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**Resolution No. 42 -** Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$400,000.00 Entered Into By The County – RUPCO, Inc. – Department Of Finance – ARPA

**Resolution Summary:** Pilot program to provide energy retrofits to low- and moderate-income homeowners in Ulster County

**Motion No. 17:** **Moved Resolution No. 620 For DISCUSSION**

**Motion Made By:** Legislator Sperry

**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Maloney

**Discussion:** Legislator Maloney preferred that there be an independent monitor to determine that the contractors remain honest in their assessments and work and stated that unless that was included he would be voting in the negative. Legislators Sperry and Corcoran highlighted that this is a pilot program hence the number of homes that would likely be rehabilitated. Hearing no further discussion, Chair Litts called the question.

**Voting in Favor:** Legislators Litts, Corcoran, Hewitt, Sperry

**Voting Against:** Legislator Maloney

**Votes in Favor:** 4

**Votes Against:** 1

**Disposition:** **Resolution ADOPTED**

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### Adjournment

**Motion Made By:** Chair Litts

**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Sperry

**No. of Votes in Favor:** 5

**No. of Votes Against:** 0

**TIME:** 7:20PM

**Respectfully Submitted:** Michael Tierney, Senior Legislative Employee

**Approved:** February 28, 2023