

**Energy, Environment and Sustainability Committee
Regular Meeting Minutes**

DATE & TIME: January 30, 2024 – 4:30 PM
LOCATION(S): KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston
Livestreamed at <https://www.youtube.com/@UlsterCountyLegislature/streams>
PRESIDING OFFICER: Chair Hewitt
LEGISLATIVE STAFF: Lizvett Bost, Legislative Administrative Assistant; Tyron Rogers, Legislative IT Specialist
MEMBERS PRESENT: Deputy Chair Walls, Legislators Donaldson, Greene, Litts, Nolan (arrived at 4:40 PM) and Stewart
MEMBERS ABSENT: None (or name)
QUORUM PRESENT: Yes
OTHER ATTENDEES: Regis Obijiski, UCRRA; Deborah Weltsch, Beyond Plastics

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Chair Last Name called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM

Motion No. 1: **Motion to Adopt the minutes of the December 7, 2024 Meeting**
Motion Made By: Legislator Stewart
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Greene
Voting in Favor: Chair Hewitt, Deputy Chair Walls, Legislators Donaldson, Greene, Litts, Nolan and Stewart
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 6 (Nolan arrived late, was not present for vote)
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Minutes Approved**

Resolutions for the February 13, 2024 Session of the Legislature:

Resolution No. 7 – Urging the Expedious Establishment Of A New York State Stewardship Program That Includes Both Packaging And Printed Paper

Resolution Summary – Memorializing Resolution calling for Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) Program.

Motion No. 2: **Motion to Discuss Resolution No. 7**
Motion Made By: Legislator Litts
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Stewart

Motion No. 3: **Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 7**
Motion Made By: Legislator Greene
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Donaldson

Voting in Favor: Chair Hewitt, Deputy Chair Walls, Legislators Donaldson, Greene, Litts, Nolan and Stewart
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 7
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution Adopted**

Resolution No. 8 – Confirming Reappointment To The Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency

Resolution Summary – Confirms of the re-appoint of Regis Obijiski to the UC RRA thru December 31, 2026.

Motion No. 4: **Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 8**
Motion Made By: Legislator Stewart
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Nolan

Voting in Favor: Chair Hewitt, Deputy Chair Walls, Legislators Donaldson, Greene, Litts, Nolan and Stewart
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 7
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution Adopted**

Forthcoming Resolutions: None

New Business: The following topics were discussed:

- UC RRA Reform Update
- Resource Innovation Center
- Zero Waste Implementation Program
- Status of Local Law 12 of 2022: Hudson River Protection

Old Business: The following topics were discussed:

- 70% Renewables by 2030 (70 by 30') Report
- Climate Smart State Report, including C.S. Schools

Adjournment
Motion Made By: Legislator Litts
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Walls
Votes in Favor: 7
Votes Against: 0

TIME: 5:50 PM

Respectfully Submitted: Lizvett Bost, Legislative Administrative Assistant
Approved: March 5, 2024

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