

**Health, Human Services & Human Rights Committee  
Regular Meeting Minutes**

**DATE & TIME:** April 3, 2024 – 5:00 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 Uchitelle  
**LEGISLATIVE STAFF:** Tyron Rogers, Technical Support Specialist  
Michael Tierney, Legislative Support Specialist  
**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Legislators Collins, Corcoran, Harmon, Kitchen, Lopez, McCollough, Uchitelle  
**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None  
**QUORUM PRESENT:** Yes

**OTHER ATTENDEES:** Legislator Kathy Nolan, Deputy Executive Johanna Contreras, Mental Health Commissioner Tara McDonald, DSS Commissioner Michael Iapoce, DSS Deputy Commissioner Rita Wood, Public Health Director Eve Walter

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Chair Uchitelle called the meeting to order at 5:04 PM.

**Motion No. 1:** **Motion to Approve the minutes of the March 6, 2025 Meeting**  
**Motion Made By:** Legislator Kitchen  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Harmon

**Voting in Favor:** Legislators Collins, Corcoran, Harmon, Kitchen, Lopez, McCollough, Uchitelle  
**Voting Against:** None  
**Votes in Favor:** 7  
**Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** **Minutes Approved**

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Resolutions for the April 15, 2025 Legislative Session

**Resolution No. 145** - Amending The 2025 Ulster County Budget To Fund A Medical Examiner Forensic Pathologist Position - Amending The 2025 Ulster County Position Listing – Department Of Health  
**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution establishes a Medical Examiner Forensic Pathologist position for \$336,000.00 annually, eliminates a Less Than Part Time Pay Medical Examiner position, and partially reduces Professional Services for a contracted Medical Examiner Forensic Pathologist.

**Motion No. 2** **Moved to Adopt Resolution No. 145**  
**Motion By:** Legislator McCollough  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Harmon

**Voting in Favor:** Legislators Collins, Corcoran, Harmon, Kitchen, Lopez, McCollough, Uchitelle  
**Voting Against:** None  
**Votes in Favor:** 7  
**Votes Against:** 0

<b>Disposition:</b>	<b>Resolution Adopted</b>
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**Resolution No. 146** - Confirming Reappointments Of Dr. Maya Hambricht, Emma Hambricht, And Maureen Sheehan To The Community Services Board

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution confirms the County Executive reappointments of Dr. Maya Hambricht, Woodstock, Emma Hambricht, Woodstock, and Maureen Sheehan, Ulster Park, to the Community Services Board for a term to begin immediately through December 31, 2028.

<b>Motion No. 3</b>	<b>Moved to Adopt Resolution No. 146</b>
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<b>Motion By:</b>	Legislator Corcoran
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<b>Motion Seconded By:</b>	Legislator Collins
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<b>Voting in Favor:</b>	Legislators Collins, Corcoran, Harmon, Kitchen, Lopez, McCollough, Uchitelle
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<b>Voting Against:</b>	None
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<b>Votes in Favor:</b>	7
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<b>Votes Against:</b>	0
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<b>Disposition:</b>	<b>Resolution Adopted</b>
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**Resolution No. 147** - Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$10,000.00, Causing The Aggregate Contract Plus Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00, Entered Into By The County – Family Services, Inc. – Department Of Mental Health

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution Approves the execution of a contract amendment in the amount of \$10,000 with Family Services to account for increased State Aid.

<b>Motion No. 4</b>	<b>Moved to Adopt Resolution No. 147</b>
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<b>Motion By:</b>	Legislator Collins
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<b>Motion Seconded By:</b>	Legislator Lopez
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<b>Voting in Favor:</b>	Legislators Collins, Corcoran, Harmon, Kitchen, Lopez, McCollough, Uchitelle
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<b>Voting Against:</b>	None
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<b>Votes in Favor:</b>	7
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<b>Votes Against:</b>	0
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<b>Disposition:</b>	<b>Resolution Adopted</b>
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**Resolution No. 148** - Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$97,122.00 Entered Into By The County – Gateway Community Industries, Inc. D/B/A Gateway Hudson Valley – Department Of Mental Health

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution Approves the execution of a contract amendment in the amount of \$97,122 with Gateway Hudson Valley to account for increased State Aid.

<b>Motion No. 5</b>	<b>Moved to Adopt Resolution No. 148</b>
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<b>Motion By:</b>	Legislator Harmon
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<b>Motion Seconded By:</b>	Legislator Kitchen
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<b>Voting in Favor:</b>	Legislators Collins, Corcoran, Harmon, Kitchen, Lopez, McCollough, Uchitelle
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<b>Voting Against:</b>	None
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<b>Votes in Favor:</b>	7
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<b>Votes Against:</b>	0
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<b>Disposition:</b>	<b>Resolution Adopted</b>
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**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment in the amount of \$4,096 with HealthAlliance Hospital Mary's Avenue Campus for a COLA for crisis intervention services.

**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Kitchen

Disposition:	Resolution Adopted
1. The Board of Directors shall approve the proposed resolution.	2. The Board of Directors shall approve the proposed resolution.

**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Corcoran

<b>Disposition:</b>	<b>Resolution Adopted</b>
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**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator McCollough

Disposition:	Resolution Adopted
1. The Board of Directors shall approve the proposed resolution.	2. The Board of Directors shall approve the proposed resolution.

**Resolution No. 152 - Amending The 2025 Ulster County Budget To Accept An Allocation Of Child Abuse Or Neglect Prevention And Treatment Act (CAPTA) Comprehensive Addiction And Recovery Act Of 2016 (CARA) Funds From The New York State Office Of Children And Family Services – Department Of Social Services**

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution increases the 2025 Operating Budget in the amount of \$90,000.00 upon notification from the New York State Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS) of the availability of federal Child Abuse or Neglect Prevention Treatment Act (CAPTA) Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Act of 2016 (CARA) funds to help states improve their response to families and infants affected by substance abuse use disorders (both alcohol and drugs).

**Motion No. 9** **Moved to Adopt Resolution No. 152**

**Motion By:** Legislator Corcoran

**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Collins

**Voting in Favor:** Legislators Collins, Corcoran, Harmon, Kitchen, Lopez, McCollough, Uchitelle

**Voting Against:** None

**Votes in Favor:** 7

<b>Votes Against:</b>	0
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Disposition:	Resolution Adopted
1. The Board of Directors shall approve the proposed resolution.	2. The Board of Directors shall approve the proposed resolution.

**Resolution No. 153** - Amending The 2025 Ulster County Budget To Accept An Allocation Of Adoption And Legal Guardianship Incentive Funds For Recruitment Activities From The New York State Office Of Children And Family Services – Department Of Social Services

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution amends the 2025 Operating Budget in the amount of \$25,000.00 upon notification from the New York State Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS) of the availability of federal Adoption and Legal Guardianship Incentive Payment Program funds to help recruit and strengthen kinship foster and adoptive families and promote adoptive placements, thereby increasing the number of children and youth moving from foster care into permanent placements.

**Motion No. 10**                      **Moved to Adopt Resolution No. 153**

**Motion By:** Legislator Harmon

**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Corcoran

**Voting in Favor:** Legislators Collins, Corcoran, Harmon, Kitchen, Lopez, McCollough, Uchitelle

**Voting Against:** None

**Votes in Favor:** 7

**Votes Against:** 0

Disposition:	Resolution Adopted
1. The Board of Directors shall approve the proposed resolution.	2. The Board of Directors shall approve the proposed resolution.

**Resolution No. 154 - Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$200,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Industrial Medicine Associates, P.C. – Department Of Social Services**

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution Approves the execution of a contract in the amount of \$200,000 with Industrial Medicine Associates for substance abuse assessment, testing and treatment services for individuals applying for or in receipt of public assistance for a term beginning April 1, 2025, ending March 31, 2027.

**Motion No. 11**                      **Moved to Adopt Resolution No. 154**

**Motion By:** Legislator Collins

**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator McCollough

<b>Voting in Favor:</b>	Legislators Collins, Corcoran, Harmon, Kitchen, Lopez, McCollough, Uchitelle
<b>Voting Against:</b>	None
<b>Votes in Favor:</b>	7
<b>Votes Against:</b>	0
<b>Disposition:</b>	<b>Resolution Adopted</b>

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**Resolution No. 155** - Requiring High Quality Field Drug Test Kits For Use In Any Required Screening Of Participants Of County Administered Social Service Programs

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution adopts the policy of Ulster County that a component of any contractual agreement with the County for drug screening services shall require that all field drug test kits allowing trace and bulk detection be the best and most accurate test kit for narcotics and other drugs to ensure that false positive tests are significantly reduced and/or eliminated.

<b>Motion No. 12</b>	<b>Moved to Postpone Resolution No. 155</b>
<b>Motion By:</b>	Legislator Collins
<b>Motion Seconded By:</b>	Legislator Harmon

<b>Voting in Favor:</b>	Legislators Collins, Corcoran, Harmon, Kitchen, Lopez, McCollough, Uchitelle
<b>Voting Against:</b>	None
<b>Votes in Favor:</b>	7
<b>Votes Against:</b>	0
<b>Disposition:</b>	<b>Resolution Postponed</b>

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**New Business:**

Chair Uchitelle advised the members that Ulster Prevention Council would be extended an invitation to attend a future meeting.

**Old Business:**

None.

**Adjournment**

<b>Motion Made By:</b>	Legislator Collins
<b>Motion Seconded By:</b>	Legislator Harmon
<b>Votes in Favor:</b>	5
<b>Votes Against:</b>	0

<b>TIME:</b>	5:44 PM
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<b>Respectfully Submitted:</b>	Michael Tierney, Legislative Support Specialist
<b>Approved:</b>	May 8, 2025

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