Law Enforcement & Public Safety Committee Regular Meeting Minutes

DATE & TIME: April 2, 2025 – 5:00 PM

LOCATION(S): Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston

Livestreamed at https://www.youtube.com/@UlsterCountyLegislature/streams

PRESIDING OFFICER: Chair Hansut

LEGISLATIVE STAFF: Lizvett Noriega, Legislative Administrative Assistant; Tyron Rogers, Legislature

Technical Support Specialist

MEMBERS PRESENT: Legislators Clinton, Hewitt, Levine, Maloney, McCollough, and Walls

MEMBERS ABSENT: None QUORUM PRESENT: Yes

OTHER ATTENDEES: Legislators Kovacs, and Harmon; Deputy County Executive Jamie Capuano - County Executive's Office; Sheriff Figueroa – Ulster County Sheriff Department; Undersheriff James Mullen – Ulster County Sheriff Department; Director of Emergency Services Everett Erichsen - Emergency Services; Deputy Director Pamela Finnerty – Department of Emergency Services; Director of Probation Valerie Naccarato – Department of Probation; Director Dennis Doyle – Department of Planning; District Attorney Nneji – District Attorney's Office; Deputy Budget Director Donald Quesnell – Budget Department; Sarah DellaRocco – Ulster County District Attorney's Office

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Chair Hansut called the meeting to order at 5:07 PM and asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion No. 1: Motion to Approve the minutes of the March 5, 2025 Regular meeting

Motion Made By: Legislator McCollough

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Walls

Voting in Favor: Legislators Clinton, Hansut, Hewitt, Levine, Maloney, McCollough, and Walls

Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 7
Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Minutes Approved

Resolutions for the April 15, 2025 Session of the Legislature:

Resolution No. 102 – Establishing A Policy To Fund, Facilitate, Perpetuate And Support The Augmentation And Operation Of Local Emergency Medical Services (EMS) In and For The County Of Ulster, as presented

Resolution Summary – This Resolution adopts a Policy of Ulster County to fund, facilitate, perpetuate, and support the augmentation and operation of local emergency medical services (EMS) in and for the County of Ulster in an amount not to exceed five (\$5) million dollars \$4,532,000.00 per annum, which shall be allocated as follows: \$2,000,000 to be allocated to the towns and the City of Kingston for municipal-level EMS services; and \$2,532,000 to be allocated to nonprofit Advanced Life Support (ALS) agencies operating

within Ulster County, to be distributed by the Department of Emergency Services based on operational needs, coverage gaps, call volume, and provider capacity.

Motion No. 2: Motion to Postpone Resolution No. 102

Motion Made By: Legislator Clinton
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maloney

Voting in Favor: Legislators Clinton, Hansut, Hewitt, Levine, Maloney, and McCollough

Voting Against: Legislator Walls

Votes in Favor: 6 Votes Against: 1

Disposition: Resolution Postponed

Resolution No. 156 – Amending The 2025 Ulster County Budget – To Provide Funding For Emergency Medical Services (EMS) – Ulster County Department Of Emergency Communications/Emergency Management

Resolution Summary – This Resolution amends the 2025 Operating Budget in the amount of \$4,532,000.00 to fund the Department of Emergency Management to support Basic Life Support and Advanced Life Support Emergency Medical Services.

Motion No. 3: Motion to Postpone Resolution No. 156

Motion Made By: Legislator Levine Motion Seconded By: Legislator Walls

Voting in Favor: Legislators Clinton, Hansut, Hewitt, Levine, McCollough, and Walls

Voting Against: Legislators Maloney, McCollough

Votes in Favor: 5 Votes Against: 2

Disposition: Resolution Postponed

Resolution No. 157 – Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Intermunicipal Agreement With The Town Of Gardiner For The Purposes Of A Supplemental Emergency Medical Services System – Department Of Emergency Communications/Emergency Management

Resolution Summary – This Resolution authorizes the Chair of the Legislature to execute an intermunicipal agreement, and any amendments thereto, with the Town of Gardiner, in the amount of \$55,000.00, for the County to provide supplemental Emergency Medical Services to the Town of Gardiner.

Motion No. 4: Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 157

Motion Made By: Legislator Clinton
Motion Seconded By: Legislator McCollough

Voting in Favor: Legislators Clinton, Hansut, Hewitt, Levine, Maloney, McCollough, and Walls

Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 7
Votes Against: 0

Resolution No. 158 – Amending The 2025 Ulster County Operating Budget – Establishing Capital Project No. 728 – Emergency Medical Services Equipment – Amending The 2025 Capital Fund Budget — Department Of Emergency Communications/Emergency Management

Resolution Summary – This Resolution establishes Capital Project No. 728 - Emergency Medical Services Equipment in the amount of \$500,000.00, to administer a grant program which will provide Ulster County EMS-Agencies with funding opportunities which will be designed to improve the provisions of emergency medical services, using appropriated fund balance.

Motion No. 5: Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 158

Motion Made By: Legislator Hewitt Motion Seconded By: Legislator Levine

Voting in Favor: Legislators Clinton, Hansut, Hewitt, Levine, Maloney, McCollough, and Walls

Voting Against:
None
Votes in Favor:
7
Votes Against:
0

Disposition: Resolution Adopted

Resolution No. 159 – Amending Capital Project No. 607 Government Operations Center– Amending The 2025 Operating Budget — Amending The 2025 Capital Fund Budget — Department Of Public Works (Buildings & Grounds)

Resolution Summary – This Resolution amends Capital Project No. 607 - Government Operations Center in the amount of \$29,636,289.00 to fund construction services with the use of \$17,605,957.00 of Restrict Reserve - GOC funds and \$11,990,332.00 Bonds.

Motion No. 6: Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 159

Motion Made By: Legislator Clinton
Motion Seconded By: Legislator McCollough

Voting in Favor: Legislators Clinton, Hansut, Hewitt, Levine, McCollough, and Walls

Voting Against: Legislator Maloney

Votes in Favor: 6 Votes Against: 1

Disposition: Resolution Adopted

Resolution No. 160 – Authorizing the Chair of the Ulster County Legislature to Execute An Agreement With The New York State Division Of Homeland Security And Emergency Services For Participation In The 2024 Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) Operations Grant, Amending The 2025 Operational Budget – Department Of Emergency Communications/Emergency Management

Resolution Summary – This Resolution amends the 2025 Operating Budget in the amount of \$26,993.00 upon notification from the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services regarding the 2024 Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) Operations Grant.

Motion No. 7: Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 160

Motion Made By: Legislator Hewitt
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Clinton

Voting in Favor: Legislators Clinton, Hansut, Hewitt, Levine, Maloney, McCollough, and Walls

Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 7
Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution Adopted

Resolution No. 161 – Amending Capital Project No. 482 County Wide Radio System – Amending The 2025 Capital Fund Budget - Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The New York State Division Of Homeland Security And Emergency Services For Participation In The 2024 Statewide Interoperable Communications Grant – Department Of Emergency Communications/Emergency Management

Resolution Summary – This Resolution amends Capital Project No. 482 - County Wide Radio System in the amount of \$552,845.00 upon notification from the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services regarding the 2024 Statewide Interoperable Communications Grant.

Motion No. 8: Motion to Amend Resolution No. 161 as Presented

Motion Made By: Legislator Clinton Motion Seconded By: Legislator Levine

Voting in Favor: Legislators Clinton, Hansut, Hewitt, Levine, Maloney, McCollough, and Walls

Voting Against:
None
Votes in Favor:
7
Votes Against:
0

Disposition: Resolution Amended

Motion No. 9: Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 161 as Amended

Motion Made By: Legislator Levine
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Clinton

Voting in Favor: Legislators Clinton, Hansut, Hewitt, Levine, Maloney, McCollough, and Walls

Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 7
Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution Adopted as Amended

Resolution No. 162 – Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The Federal Emergency Management Agency Integrated Public Alert And Warning System (IPAWS) Program Management Office – Department Of Emergency Communications/Emergency Management

Resolution Summary – This Resolution authorizes the Chair of the Legislature to execute an agreement, and any amendments thereto, with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Integrated Public Alert and Warning System (IPAWS) Program regarding the utilization and security of Ulster County Interoperable Systems which interoperate with the IPAWS-Open Platform for Emergency Networks (IPAWS-OPEN).

Motion No. 10: Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 162

Motion Made By: Legislator Hewitt
Motion Seconded By: Legislator McCollough

Voting in Favor: Legislators Clinton, Hansut, Hewitt, Levine, Maloney, McCollough, and Walls

Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 7
Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution Adopted

Resolution No. 163 – Authorizing the Chair of the Ulster County Legislature to Execute an Agreement With The Walker Valley Chemical Engine Company No. 1 – Department Of Emergency Communications/Emergency Management

Resolution Summary – This Resolution authorizes the Chair of the Legislature to execute an agreement, and any amendments thereto, with the Walker Valley Fire Engine Company No. 1 in the amount of \$10,000.00.

Motion No. 11: Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 163

Motion Made By: Legislator Clinton
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Walls

Voting in Favor: Legislators Clinton, Hansut, Hewitt, Levine, Maloney, McCollough, and Walls

Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 7
Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution Adopted

Resolution No. 164 – Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute A Memorandum Of Understanding, With The City Of Kingston – Department Of Emergency Communications/Emergency Management

Resolution Summary – This Resolution authorizes the Chair of the Legislature to sign an agreement, and any amendments thereto, with the City of Kingston and the Ulster County Department of Emergency Communications / Emergency Management, Ulster County Sheriff's Office, and the Department of Information Services for the use of the Public Safety System.

Motion No. 12: Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 164

Motion Made By: Legislator Hewitt
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Clinton

Voting in Favor: Legislators Clinton, Hansut, Hewitt, Levine, Maloney, McCollough, and Walls

Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 7
Votes Against: 0

Resolution No. 165 – Calling On The New York State Legislature And Governor To Repeal The New York State Humane Alternatives To Long-Term Solitary Confinement (HALT) Act

Resolution Summary – This Resolution calls upon the New York State Legislature and the Governor to enact immediately legislation repealing S.2836/A.2277-A, known as the HALT Act, and restoring the prior inmate disciplinary framework.

Motion No. 13: Motion to Amend Resolution No. 165 to read as follows:

On the title replacing the word "Repeal" to "Amend" as follows:

Calling On The New York State Legislature And Governor To Repeal Amend The New York State Humane Alternatives To Long-Term Solitary Confinement (HALT) Act

In the resolve replacing the word "repealing" to "amending" as follows:

"RESOLVED, that the Ulster County Legislature calls upon the New York State Legislature and the Governor to enact immediately legislation repealing amending S.2836/A.2277-A, known as the HALT Act, and restoring the prior inmate disciplinary framework, which provided for meaningful disciplinary sanctions to deter violent conduct by inmates, while also respecting inmates' procedural and personal rights..."

Motion Made By: Legislator Hansut Motion Seconded By: Legislator Hewitt

Voting in Favor: Legislators Clinton, Hansut, Hewitt, Levine, McCollough, and Walls

Voting Against: Legislator Maloney

Votes in Favor: 6 Votes Against: 1

Disposition: Amendment Adopted

Motion No. 14: Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 165 As Amended

Motion Made By: Legislator Clinton Motion Seconded By: Legislator Levine

Voting in Favor: Legislators Clinton, Hansut, Hewitt, Levine, Maloney, McCollough, and Walls

Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 7
Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution Adopted As Amended

Resolution No. 166 – Amending The 2025 Ulster County Operating Budget – Amending Capital Project No. 706 – Ulster County Jail Equipment Replacement – Amending The 2025 Capital Fund Budget – Ulster County Sheriff

Resolution Summary – This Resolution amends Capital Project No. 706 - Jail Equipment Replacement in the amount of \$20,550.00 to allow for the purchase of replacement washers for laundry, using appropriated fund balance.

Motion No. 15: Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 166

Motion Made By:Legislator McColloughMotion Seconded By:Legislator Clinton

Voting in Favor: Legislators Clinton, Hansut, Hewitt, Levine, Maloney, McCollough, and Walls

Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 7
Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution Adopted

Resolution No. 167 – Amending The 2025 Ulster County Operating Budget – Amending The 2025-2030 Capital Improvement Program – Amending Capital Project No. 710 – Sheriff's Office Law Enforcement Equipment – Amending The 2025 Capital Fund Budget – Ulster County Sheriff

Resolution Summary – This Resolution amends Capital Project No. 710 - Law Enforcement Equipment in the amount of \$213,773.00 for the purchase of jet skis, mountain bikes, and trailers, using appropriated fund balance.

Motion No. 16: Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 167

Motion Made By: Legislator Clinton
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Levine

Voting in Favor: Legislators Clinton, Hansut, Hewitt, Levine, Maloney, McCollough, and Walls

Voting Against:
None
Votes in Favor:
7
Votes Against:
0

Disposition: Resolution Adopted

Resolution No. 168 – Amending The 2025 Ulster County Operating Budget – Establishing Capital Project No. 729 – Amending The 2025-2030 Capital Improvement Program – Axon Tasers, Amending The 2025 Capital Fund Budget – Ulster County Sheriff

Resolution Summary – This Resolution amends Capital Project No. 729 - Axon Taser in the amount of \$130,816.00 for Axon Taser replacements, using appropriated fund balance.

Motion No. 17: Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 168

Motion Made By: Legislator Walls
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maloney

Voting in Favor: Legislators Clinton, Hansut, Levine, Maloney, and Walls

Voting Against: Legislators McCollough, and Hewitt

Votes in Favor: 5 Votes Against: 2

Resolution No. 169 – Amending The 2025 Ulster County Operational Budget – Amending The 2025-2030 Capital Improvement Program – Establishing Capital Project No. 730 – Navigation Boat – Amending The 2025 Capital Fund Budget – Ulster County Sheriff

Resolution Summary – This Resolution establishes Capital Project No. 730 - Navigation Boat in the amount of \$65,886.00 for a replacement V Aluminum Rescue Boat, using appropriated fund balance.

Motion No. 18: Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 169

Motion Made By: Legislator Clinton
Motion Seconded By: Legislator McCollough

Voting in Favor: Legislators Clinton, Hansut, Hewitt, Levine, Maloney, McCollough, and Walls

Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 7
Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution Adopted

Resolution No. 170 – Amending The 2025 Ulster County Operating Budget – Amending The 2025-2030 Capital Improvement Program – Establishing Capital Project No. 731 – Vesta 911 Upgrade – Amending The 2025 Capital Fund Budget – Ulster County Sheriff

Resolution Summary – This Resolution establishes Capital Project No. 731 - Vesta 911 Upgrade in the amount of \$207,869.00 to upgrade the Sheriff's dispatch phone system to match the E-911 call handling platform, using appropriated fund balance.

Motion No. 19: Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 170

Motion Made By: Legislator McCollough
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Clinton

Voting in Favor: Legislators Clinton, Hansut, Hewitt, Levine, Maloney, McCollough, and Walls

Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 7
Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution Adopted

Resolution No. 171 – Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Amended Agreement With The New York State Department Of Corrections And Community Supervision (DOCCS) To Provide A Parolee Hearing Room Within The Sheriff's Office – Ulster County Sheriff

Resolution Summary – This Resolution authorizes the Chair of the Legislature to sign an agreement, and any amendments thereto, with the New York State Department of Corrections and Community Supervision to provide a certified courtroom within the Sheriff's Office to serve as a Parolee Hearing room for the term January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025.

Motion No. 20: Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 171

Motion Made By: Legislator Hewitt
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Clinton

Voting in Favor: Legislators Clinton, Hansut, Hewitt, Levine, Maloney, McCollough, and Walls

Voting Against:
None
Votes in Favor:
7
Votes Against:
0

Disposition: Resolution Adopted

Resolution No. 172 – Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$5,000.00, Causing The Aggregate Contract Plus Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00, Entered Into By The County – Black Creek Integrated Systems Corp. – Ulster County Sheriff

Resolution Summary – This Resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment in the amount of \$5,000.00 with Black Creek Integrated Systems Corp., increase not-to-exceed amount to provide funding for extended services related to Level Three Service Plan (L3SP) for the electronic locking system for all doors at the Ulster County Law Enforcement Center for the term 1/1/25 - 12/31/25.

Motion No. 21: Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 172

Motion Made By: Legislator Hewitt
Motion Seconded By: Legislator McCollough

Voting in Favor: Legislators Clinton, Hansut, Hewitt, Levine, Maloney, McCollough, and Walls

Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 7
Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution Adopted

Resolution No. 173 – Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$13,628.37, Causing The Aggregate Contract Plus Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00, Entered Into By The County – Visual Computer Solutions Inc. – Ulster County Sheriff

Resolution Summary – This Resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment in the amount of \$13,628.37 with Visual Computer Solutions, Inc., to extend term of agreement and increase funding for licensing installation, configuration and maintenance of the Police Officer Scheduling System and Correction Officer Scheduling System for the term from 6/1/25 - 5/31/26.

Motion No. 22: Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 173

Motion Made By: Legislator Hewitt
Motion Seconded By: Legislator McCollough

Voting in Favor: Legislators Clinton, Hansut, Hewitt, Levine, Maloney, McCollough, and Walls

Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 7
Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution Adopted

Resolution No. 174 – Amending The 2025 Ulster County Budget to Accept Additional Funding From The New York State Office Of Children And Family Services – Department Of Probation

Resolution Summary – This Resolution amends the 2025 Operating Budget in the amount of \$9,577.00 upon notification from the New York State Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS) of increased funding for Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (FVPSA) American Rescue Plan (ARP) Rape Crisis and Sexual Assault Programs Supplemental COVID-19 Grant.

Motion No. 23: Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 174

Motion Made By: Legislator Clinton
Motion Seconded By: Legislator McCollough

Voting in Favor: Legislators Clinton, Hansut, Hewitt, Levine, Maloney, McCollough, and Walls

Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 7
Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution Adopted

Resolution No. 175 – Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Legal Services Of The Hudson Valley – Department Of Probation

Resolution Summary – This Resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment in the amount of \$50,000.00 with Legal Services Of The Hudson Valley to exercise the final option to extend the term of the agreement for legal services for domestic violence cases referred by the Department of Probation Crime Victims Assistance Program and increase the not-to-exceed amount for the term from 1/1/25 - 12/31/25.

Motion No. 24: Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 175

Motion Made By: Legislator McCollough
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Levine

Voting in Favor: Legislators Clinton, Hansut, Hewitt, Levine, Maloney, McCollough, and Walls

Voting Against:
None
Votes in Favor:
7
Votes Against:
0

Disposition: Resolution Adopted

Resolution No. 176 – Amending The 2025 Ulster County Budget Related To Allocations Of Aid To Prosecution Funding From The New York State Division Of Criminal Justice Services – District Attorney

Resolution Summary – This Resolution amends the 2025 Operating Budget in the amount of \$79,622.00 to account for a remaining budget balance from the 2024 Aid to Prosecution grant.

Motion No. 25: Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 176

Motion Made By: Legislator Hewitt
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Clinton

Voting in Favor: Legislators Clinton, Hansut, Hewitt, Levine, Maloney, McCollough, and Walls

Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 7
Votes Against: 0

Resolution No. 177 – Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The United States Department Of Justice Office Of Violence Against Women In Connection To The Local Law Enforcement Grant For The Prosecution Of Cybercrimes And Amending The 2025 Ulster County Budget – District Attorney

Resolution Summary – This Resolution amends the 2025 Operating Budget in the amount of \$166,667.00 and authorizes the Chair of the Legislature to execute an agreement with the United States Department of Justice to accept federal funds in the amount of \$500,000.00 for use by the Office of the Ulster County District Attorney.

Motion No. 26: Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 177

Motion Made By: Legislator McCollough
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Clinton

Voting in Favor: Legislators Clinton, Hansut, Hewitt, Levine, Maloney, McCollough, and Walls

Voting Against:
None
Votes in Favor:
7
Votes Against:
0

Disposition: Resolution Adopted

Old Business:

Chair Hansut – Family of Woodstock quarterly report on the One80 program

• Chair Hansut – District Attorney's office on Joy's Lane closing

Adjournment

Motion Made By: Legislator Hewitt Motion Seconded By: Legislator Clinton

Votes in Favor: 7
Votes Against: 0

TIME: 6:35 PM

Respectfully Submitted: Lizvett Noriega, Legislative Administrative Assistant

Approved: May 7, 2025

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