# Housing & Transportation Committee Regular Meeting Minutes

**DATE & TIME:** June 5, 2025 - 4:00 PM

**LOCATION(S):** KL Binder Library, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, County Office Building, Kingston

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**PRESIDING OFFICER:** Chair Collins

**LEGISLATIVE STAFF:** Tyron Rogers, Technical Support Specialist

Michael Tierney, Legislative Support Specialist

MEMBERS PRESENT: Legislators Clinton, Corcoran, Criswell, McCollough, Stewart, Walls

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Legislator Harmon

**QUORUM PRESENT:** Yes

OTHER ATTENDEES: Legislator Joe Maloney, Legislator Kathy Nolan, Deputy Executive James Amenta, Deputy Executive Amanda LaValle, UCAT Director Toni Roser, DSS Commissioner Michael Iapoce, DSS Deputy Commissioner Rita Wood, Director of Homelessness & Housing Initiatives Laura Nordstrom, Karl Beard, William Sheldon, Jodi Lennon, Doug Bluth, Douglas Stoll, Nick Mercurio, Patty Goodwin, Kevin Smith, Kellee Esposito, Marla Brucker, Maxanne Resnick, Andy Mossey, Lee Kalish, Jared Mark, Clair Ritten, Henry Jameson, Russ Bonk, Meg Carey, Helen Chase, Tony Buchinoff, Ernie Hunt

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Chair Collins called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM.

Motion No. 1: Motion to Approve the Minutes of the May 8, 2025 Meeting

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

**Voting in Favor:** Legislators Clinton, Collins, Corcoran, Harmon, McCollough, Stewart, Walls

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. 275** - Amending Resolution No. 275 Of 2014 As Amended, Establishing A Policy For A "Rail With Trail" Along The County-Owned Ulster And Delaware Railroad Corridor

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution Amends the "Rail with Trail" Policy to extend rail use as described therein, and to extend the Ashokan Rail Trail East in the direction of the City of Kingston to connect to the extended operating permit area, and at the point of connection, stating that Rail with Trail should co-exist, and designating a use to the Undesignated Section as stated therein.

Motion No. Moved to Postpone Resolution No. 275

Motion By: Legislator Stewart
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Corcoran

**Voting in Favor:** Legislators Corcoran, Criswell, McCollough, Stewart, Walls

**Voting Against:** Legislators Clinton, Collins

Votes in Favor: 5
Votes Against: 2

**Disposition:** Resolution Postponed

**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, June 17, 2025 At 7:05 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. Moved to Adopt Resolution No. 143

Motion By: Legislator Stewart
Motion Seconded By: Legislator McCollough

**Voting in Favor:** Legislators Clinton, Criswell, Corcoran, Collins, McCollough, Stewart, Walls

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

**Disposition:** Resolution Adopted

Resolution No. 225 - Updating The Ulster County Pedestrian And Bicycle Policy

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution amends the Ulster County Pedestrian and Bike Policy to include an additional paragraph which requires the Commissioner of Public Works to submit a written report to the Legislature's Public Works and Capital Projects Committee detailing considerations made in compliance with the Policy, and requiring that designs for bicycle and pedestrian accommodations be provided in new construction, reconstruction, bridge, and maintenance projects initiated by Ulster County unless prohibited by law.

Motion No. Moved to Postpone Resolution No. 225

Motion By: Legislator Stewart
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Clinton

**Voting in Favor:** Legislators Clinton, Criswell, Corcoran, Collins, McCollough, Stewart, Walls

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

**Disposition:** Resolution Postponed

**Resolution No. 269 -** Amending The 2025 Ulster County Budget To Accept Allocation Of Rental Assistance Program Funds From The New York State Office Of Temporary And Disability Assistance – Department Of Social Services

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution amends the Operating Budget in the amount of \$494,918.00 upon the receipt of notification from the New York State Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance (OTDA) of an allocation of Rental Supplement Program (RSP) funding.

Motion No. Moved to Adopt Resolution No. 269

Motion By: Legislator Stewart
Motion Seconded By: Legislator McCollough

Voting in Favor: Legislators Clinton, Criswell, Corcoran, Collins, McCollough, Stewart, Walls

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

**Disposition:** Resolution Adopted

**Resolution No. 270 -** Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$494,918.00 Entered Into By The County – Catholic Charities Of Orange, Sullivan & Ulster – Department Of Social Services

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution Approves the execution of a contract in the amount of \$494,918 with Catholic Charities for the disbursement of Rental Supplement Program funding.

Motion No. Moved to Adopt Resolution No. 270

Motion By: Legislator McCollough
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Clinton

**Voting in Favor:** Legislators Clinton, Criswell, Corcoran, Collins, McCollough, Stewart, Walls

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

**Disposition:** Resolution Adopted

**Resolution No. 271 -** Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$100,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Family Of Woodstock Inc. – Department Of Social Services

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution Approves the Execution of a contract amendment in the amount of \$100,000 with Family of Woodstock, Inc. for emergency shelter provision in accordance with the County Code Blue Program.

Motion No. Moved to Adopt Resolution No. 271

Motion By: Legislator McCollough
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Stewart

Voting in Favor: Legislators Clinton, Criswell, Corcoran, Collins, McCollough, Stewart, Walls

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

**Disposition:** Resolution Adopted

**Resolution No. 272 -** Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$250,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Family Of Woodstock Inc. – Department Of Social Services

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution Approves the execution of a contract amendment in the amount of \$250,000 with Family of Woodstock, Inc. for the provision of emergency shelter for individuals experiencing homelessness.

Motion No. Moved to Adopt Resolution No. 272

Motion By: Legislator Clinton
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Corcoran

**Voting in Favor:** Legislators Clinton, Criswell, Corcoran, Collins, McCollough, Stewart, Walls

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

**Disposition:** Resolution Adopted

**Resolution No. 274** - Amending Ulster County's Classification Of The Ulster & Delaware Corridor Rail Trail Project Under The New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) And Issuing A Revised Environmental Assessment Form – Department Of Planning

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution amends the SEQRA for Capital Project No. 648 Ulster and Delaware U&D) Corridor Rail Trail in the Town of Shandaken from an Unlisted action to a Type 1 Action.

Motion No. Moved to Adopt Resolution No. 274

Motion By: Legislator Stewart Motion Seconded By: Legislator Clinton

**Voting in Favor:** Legislators Clinton, Criswell, Corcoran, Collins, McCollough, Stewart, Walls

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

**Disposition:** Resolution Adopted

**Resolution No. 291** - Authorizing The Department Of Planning To Submit An Application To The US Department Of Transportation (USDOT) For Funding Under The Safe Streets And Roads For All (SS4A) Program To Perform A Comprehensive Analysis Of Road Safety For All Users – Department Of Planning

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution authorizes the Director of Planning to submit an application to USDOT for a planning grant for the SS4A program for up to \$500,000.00 to provide a comprehensive road safety program consistent with federal rules that will allow the County and municipalities to seek implementation funds to improve road safety for all users.

Motion No. Moved to Adopt Resolution No. 291

Motion By: Legislator Clinton
Motion Seconded By: Legislator McCollough

**Voting in Favor:** Legislators Clinton, Criswell, Corcoran, Collins, McCollough, Stewart, Walls

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

**Disposition:** Resolution Adopted

**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.

**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. Moved to Block Resolution Nos. 317 & 318

Motion By: Legislator Criswell
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Clinton

Voting in Favor: Legislators Clinton, Criswell, Corcoran, Collins, McCollough, Stewart, Walls

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

**Disposition:** Resolutions Blocked

Motion No. Moved to Adopt Blocked Resolutions

Motion By: Legislator Clinton
Motion Seconded By: Legislator McCollough

**Voting in Favor:** Legislators Clinton, Criswell, Corcoran, Collins, McCollough, Stewart, Walls

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

Disposition: Blocked Resolutions Adopted

#### **New Business**

Legislative Chair Criswell thanked Committee Chair Collins for his work Chairing the Ulster & Delaware Corridor Advisory Committee and acknowledged the work the entire committee accomplished in making the recommendation included in Resolution No. 275.

## **Old Business**

None.

### Adjournment

Motion Made By: Legislator Clinton
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Stewart

Votes in Favor: 7 Votes Against: 0

**TIME:** 4:48 PM

**Respectfully Submitted:** Michael Tierney, Legislative Support Specialist

**Approved:** July 3, 2025

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