

**Public Works, Capital Projects & Transportation Committee  
Regular Meeting Minutes**

**DATE & TIME:** June 5, 2023 – 6:00 PM  
**LOCATION:** KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston  
**PRESIDING OFFICER:** Chair Laura Petit  
**LEGISLATIVE STAFF:** Michael Tierney, Senior Legislative Employee  
**PRESENT:** Legislators Bartels Erner, Litts, Nolan  
**ABSENT:** Fabiano  
**QUORUM PRESENT:** Yes

**OTHER ATTENDEES:** Deputy County Executive Amanda LaValle, Planning Director  
Dennis Doyle, Recovery & Resilience Director Nate Litwin,  
Tanya Garment

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**Resolutions for the June 13, 2023 Session of the Legislature:**

**Resolution No. 305** Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$56,000.00 \$37,509.50, Causing The Aggregate Contract Plus Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00, Entered Into By The County – C & S Engineers, Inc. – Department of Public Works

**Resolution Summary:** Amending the scope of services to include additional site visits, survey for Tonche Mtn.

**Motion No. 1**

**Moved Resolution for Discussion**

**Motion Made By:**

**Motion Seconded By:**

**Discussion:**

Planning Director Doyle stated that this is a design contract to determine if a self-supporting tower or a guideline tower is most appropriate. Director Doyle also stated that Verizon is interested in being a tenant on the tower. Chair Bartels inquired if this was an estimated cost or total, to which Director Doyle responded that this was the total cost for the design. Hearing no further discussion, Chair Petit called the question in favor of the Resolution.

**Voting in Favor:**

Bartels, Erner, Litts, Nolan, Petit

**Voting Against:**

None

**Votes in Favor:**

5

**Votes Against:**

0

**Disposition:**

**Resolution ADOPTED**

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**Resolution No. 322**

Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Intermunicipal Agreement With The Town Of Gardiner, As An ARPA-SLFRF Subrecipient, To Fund The Rehabilitation Of An Existing Sewer District – Department Of Finance, Division Of Recovery And Resilience

<b>Resolution Summary:</b>	IMA with Town of Gardiner to accept \$148,896.00 to make repairs to existing wastewater system.
<b>Resolution No. 323</b>	Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Intermunicipal Agreement With The Town Of Saugerties, As An ARPA-SLFRF Subrecipient, To Fund The Extension Of The Kings Highway Water And Sewer System – Department Of Finance, Division Of Recovery And Resilience
<b>Resolution Summary:</b>	IMA with Town of Saugerties to accept \$364,297.00 to complete the extension of the Kings Highway Sewer System to include 14 new users and the Mt. Marion Fire Department.
<b>Resolution No. 324</b>	Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Intermunicipal Agreement With The Town Of Shawangunk, As An ARPA-SLFRF Subrecipient, To Fund The Extension Of The Route 208 South Sewer Extension – Department Of Finance, Division Of Recovery And Resilience
<b>Resolution Summary:</b>	IMA with the Town of Shawangunk to accept \$500,000 to complete the extension of the Route 208 South Sewer System.
<b>Resolution No. 325</b>	Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Intermunicipal Agreement With The Town Of Wawarsing, As An ARPA-SLFRF Subrecipient, To Fund The Rehabilitation Of Two Wells Part Of The Napanoch Water District – Department Of Finance, Division Of Recovery And Resilience
<b>Resolution Summary:</b>	IMA with the Town of Wawarsing to accept \$24,361.00 to rehabilitate two wells.
<b>Resolution No. 326</b>	Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Intermunicipal Agreement With The Town Of Woodstock, As An ARPA-SLFRF Subrecipient, To Fund The Replacement Of A Well Supply For The Woodstock Water District – Department Of Finance, Division Of Recovery And Resilience
<b>Resolution Summary:</b>	IMA with the Town of Woodstock to accept \$66,000.00 to complete the replacement of one well.
<b>Motion No. 2</b>	<b>Moved to BLOCK Resolutions No. 322, 323, 324, 325, 326</b>
<b>Motion Made By:</b>	
<b>Motion Seconded By:</b>	
<b>Discussion:</b>	None. Hearing none, Chair Petit called the question in favor of the Block.
<b>Voting in Favor:</b>	Bartels, Erner, Litts, Nolan, Petit
<b>Voting Against:</b>	None
<b>Votes in Favor:</b>	5
<b>Votes Against:</b>	0
<b>Disposition:</b>	<b>Resolutions BLOCKED</b>
<b>Motion No. 3</b>	<b>Moved to ADOPT Blocked Resolutions</b>
<b>Motion Made By:</b>	
<b>Motion Seconded By:</b>	

**Discussion:** Regarding Resolution No. 324, Legislator Erner inquired what contribution Orange County would make as this improvement also serves Pine Bush. Director Litwin did not have that answer and would provide it via email. Regarding Resolution No. 325, Legislator Erner inquired why there were no engineering costs associated with the project. Director Litwin did not have that answer and would provide it via email. Regarding Resolution No. 326, Legislator Erner inquired how many people would be served by the project. Director Litwin did not have that answer and would provide it via email. Hearing no further discussion, Chair Petit called the question in favor of the blocked Resolutions.

**Voting in Favor:** Bartels, Erner, Litts, Nolan, Petit  
**Voting Against:** None  
**Votes in Favor:** 5  
**Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** **Resolutions 322, 323, 324, 325, 326 ADOPTED**

**Resolution No. 332** Approving An Increase In Funding For Capital Project No. 541 - SUNY Ulster – Facilities Equipment, And Amending The 2023 Ulster County Capital Fund – Ulster County Community College Increase Capital Project by \$300,000.00 for green fleet upgrades. Bond will be required.

**Resolution Summary:**

**Motion No. 1** **Moved Resolution for Discussion**

**Motion Made By:**  
**Motion Seconded By:**  
**Discussion:**

Chair Petit inquired why this was not included in SUNY Ulster’s FY24 Budget. Director Doyle stated he could not speak for the college but stated that it was likely a requirement for SUNY reimbursement. Legislator Erner inquired if this was strictly for the Stone Ridge campus or would also be for vehicle upgrades at the Kingston campus. Legislator Nolan stated she would like to see a report on the lifetime/legacy costs of electric vehicles compared to combustion engine vehicles. Hearing no further discussion, Chair Petit called the question in favor of the Resolution.

**Voting in Favor:** Bartels, Erner, Litts, Nolan, Petit  
**Voting Against:** None  
**Votes in Favor:** 5  
**Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** **Resolution ADOPTED**

**Resolution No. 334** Establishing Capital Project No. 672 SUNY Ulster – Wayfinding - Amending The 2023 Capital Fund Budget – SUNY Ulster Allocating \$250,000.000 for the design and implementation of better signage on the SUNY Ulster campus. 50% reimbursable from DASNY, bond required.

**Resolution Summary:**

**Motion No. 1** **Moved Resolution for Discussion**

**Motion Made By:**

**Motion Seconded By:**

**Discussion:**

None. Hearing no discussion, Chair Petit called the Resolution in favor of the Resolution.

**Voting in Favor:**

Bartels, Erner, Litts, Nolan, Petit

**Voting Against:**

None

**Votes in Favor:**

5

**Votes Against:**

0

**Disposition:**

**Resolution ADOPTED**

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**Resolution No. 337**

Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Intermunicipal Agreement With The City Of Kingston, Where The County Is A Subrecipient Of The City's ARPA-SLFRF Funds, For The Renovation Of Elizabeth Manor, Department Of Finance, Division Of Recovery And Resilience IMA with the City of Kingston to accept \$500,000.000 of the City of Kingston's ARPA funds to complete the redevelopment and renovation of Elizabeth Manor.

**Resolution Summary:**

**Motion No. 1**

**Moved Resolution for Discussion**

**Motion Made By:**

**Motion Seconded By:**

**Discussion:**

Chair Bartels said she was disturbed by the increasing timeline of the project and questioned why the Division of Recovery & Resilience was leading this project rather than Public Works. The Executive's office did not seem to answer why Recovery & Resilience was responsible. Chair Bartels inquired why the cost of the project has increased to \$4.4 million and expressed frustration that the previous Executive was in such a rush to purchase and renovating the facility, yet no work has been done yet. Chair Petit estimated that this will cost \$160,000 per unit. Hearing no further discussion, Chair Petit called the question in favor of the Resolution.

**Voting in Favor:**

Bartels, Erner, Litts, Nolan

**Voting Against:**

Petit

**Votes in Favor:**

4

**Votes Against:**

1

**Disposition:**

**Resolution ADOPTED**

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**Resolution No. 352**

Amending Capital Project No. 482 – Countywide Radio System – Amending The 2023 Capital Fund Budget – Department Of Emergency Services

**Resolution Summary:**

**Motion No. 1**

**Moved Resolution for Discussion**

**Motion Made By:**

**Motion Seconded By:**

**Discussion:**

Legislator Erner inquired what the Dutchess County component of the Project would be, which Director Doyle stated was an ongoing PSAP discussion. Legislator Erner inquired if there was a plan in place to operate the facility without the use of fossil fuels. Legislator Nolan stated that solar is possible. Hearing no

further discussion, Chair Petit called the question in favor of the Resolution.

**Voting in Favor:** Bartels, Erner, Litts, Nolan, Petit  
**Voting Against:** None  
**Votes in Favor:** 5  
**Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** **Resolution ADOPTED**

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**Resolution No. 364** Establishing A Restricted Capital Reserve Fund For The Government Operations Center Of The County Of Ulster Under Section 6-C Of The New York State General Municipal Law  
**Resolution Summary:** Establishing a fund reserve for the Government Operations Center.

**Motion No. 1** **Moved Resolution for Discussion**

**Motion Made By:**

**Motion Seconded By:**

**Discussion:**

Chair Bartels stated her justification for the introduction of the Resolution, highlighting that bonding with an eighteen year debt service is a significant financial burden to the county. Legislator Nolan asked why there is a \$4 million difference between the estimated total cost of the project and the allocated amount in the Resolution. Chair Bartels stated that Legislative Financial Analysts took expenses paid into account. Legislators Erner and Nolan stated they were uncomfortable signing off on a \$29 million expense without a full estimate in place and requested that no action be taken.

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**Adjournment:**

**Motion Made By:** Legislator Litts  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Nolan

**Votes in Favor:** 5  
**Votes Against:** 0

**Time:** 7:53PM  
**Respectfully Submitted:** Michael Tierney, Senior Legislative Employee  
**Minutes Approved:** July 17, 2023