

**Laws, Rules & Government Services Committee
Regular Meeting Minutes**

DATE & TIME: July 11, 2024 – 4:00 PM
LOCATION(S): KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston
Livestreamed at <https://www.youtube.com/@UlsterCountyLegislature/streams>
PRESIDING OFFICER: Deputy Chair Levine
LEGISLATIVE STAFF: Jay Mahler, Deputy Clerk & Tyron Rogers, Technical Support Specialist
MEMBERS PRESENT: Legislators Gavaris, Hansut and Harmon
MEMBERS ABSENT: Legislator Kitchen, Kovacs and Uchitelle
QUORUM PRESENT: Yes

OTHER ATTENDEES: Legislators Collins, Nolan & Roberts; Legislative Counsel Ragucci & Minority Counsel Pascale; Deputy Commissioner Bloom – UC Board of Elections; Deputy County Executives Contreras and LaValle – UC Executive’s Office

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Deputy Chair Levine called the meeting to order at 4:04 PM and asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion No. 1:	Motion to Approve the Minutes of the June 13, 2024 Regular Meeting
Motion Made By:	Legislator Gavaris
Motion Seconded By:	Legislator Harmon
Voting in Favor:	Legislators Gavaris, Hansut, Harmon, & Levine
Voting Against:	None
Votes in Favor:	4
Votes Against:	0
Disposition:	Minutes Approved

Resolutions for the July 16, 2024 Session of the Legislature:

Resolution No. 155 – Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 2 Of 2024, A Local Law Amending Article XXX Commission Of Human Rights Of The Ulster County Charter And The Ulster County Administrative Code, And Chapter 216 Human Rights Of The Code Of The County Of Ulster In Relation To The Number Of Members And Appointment Structure Of The Commission Of Human Rights, To Be Held On Tuesday, August 20, 2024 At 7:00 PM

Resolution Summary – This Resolution sets a public hearing on Proposed Local Law No. 2 of 2024, A Local Law Amending Article XXX Commission Of Human Rights Of The Ulster County Charter And The Ulster County Administrative Code, And Chapter 216 Human Rights Of The Code Of The County Of Ulster In Relation To The Number Of Members And Appointment Structure Of The Commission Of Human Rights, at 7:00 PM in the Legislative Chambers on Tuesday, August 20, 2024.

Deputy Chair Levine advised the members that Resolution No. 155 was withdrawn by the sponsor.

Resolution No. 323 – Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 7 Of 2024, A Local Law To Allow Enrolled Volunteer Firefighters And Volunteer Ambulance Workers To Be Eligible For A Real Property Tax Exemption Under Real Property Tax Law (RPTL) § 466-a, To Be Held On Tuesday, August 20, 2024 At 7:05 PM

Resolution Summary – This Resolution sets a public hearing on Proposed Local Law No. 7 of 2024 (A Local Law To Allow Enrolled Volunteer Firefighters And Volunteer Ambulance Workers To Be Eligible For A Real Property Tax Exemption Under Real Property Tax Law § 466-a) to be held on Tuesday, August 20, 2024 At 7:05 PM

Motion No. 2: **Moved Resolution No. 323 for discussion**
Motion Made By: Legislator Harmon
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Hansut

Motion No. 3: **Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 323**
Motion Made By: Legislator Harmon
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Hansut

Voting in Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Hansut, Harmon, & Levine
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution Adopted**

Resolution No. 357 – Adopting Proposed Local Law No. 4 Of 2024, A Local Law Amending Article II Of The Administrative Code For The County Of Ulster (Local Law No. 10 Of 2008) In Relation To Certain Employment Restrictions

Resolution Summary – This Resolution adopts Proposed Local Law No. 4 of 2024, A Local Law A Local Law Amending Article II Of The Administrative Code For The County Of Ulster (Local Law No. 10 Of 2008) In Relation To Certain Employment Restrictions to extend the period in which a former Legislator is allowed to enter a position of employment within the County from one (1) year to three (3) years.

Motion No. 4: **Motion to Postpone Resolution No. 357**
Motion Made By: Legislator Gavaris
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Harmon

Legislators Gavaris and Harmon withdrew their motion

Motion No. 5: **Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 357**
Motion Made By: Legislator Gavaris
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Hansut

Voting in Favor: None
Voting Against: Legislators Gavaris, Hansut, Harmon, & Levine
Votes in Favor: 0
Votes Against: 4
Disposition: **Resolution Defeated**

Resolution No. 358 – Adopting Proposed Local Law No. 5 Of 2024, A Local Law Amending Section A27-2(B) Of The Administrative Code For The County Of Ulster (Local Law No. 10 Of 2008), To Ensure Proper Staffing Levels At The Ulster County Board Of Elections

Resolution Summary – This Resolution adopts Proposed Local Law No. 5 of 2024, A Local Law Amending Section A27-2(B) Of The Administrative Code For The County Of Ulster (Local Law No. 10 Of 2008), To Ensure Proper Staffing Levels At The Ulster County Board Of Elections to add a reporting requirement regarding minimum staffing levels for the next ensuing fiscal year.

Motion No. 6: **Moved Resolution No. 358 for discussion**
Motion Made By: Legislator Harmon
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Gavaris

Motion No. 7: **Motion to Postpone Resolution No. 358**
Motion Made By: Legislator Gavaris
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Hansut

Voting in Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Hansut, Harmon, & Levine
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution Postponed**

Resolution No. 359 – Adopting Proposed Local Law No. 6 Of 2024, A Local Law Amending Article XXX Of The Ulster County Charter, (Local Law No. 2 Of 2006), And Amending Article XXX Of The Administrative Code For The County Of Ulster, (Local Law No. 10 Of 2008), And Section 216 Of The Code Of The County Of Ulster, Commission of Human Rights, To Modify Various Provisions

Resolution Summary – This Resolution adopts Proposed Local Law No. 6 of 2024, A Local Law Amending Article XXX Of The Ulster County Charter, (Local Law No. 2 Of 2006), And Amending Article XXX Of The Administrative Code For The County Of Ulster, (Local Law No. 10 Of 2008), And Section 216 Of The Code Of The County Of Ulster, Commission of Human Rights, To Modify Various Provisions to provide greater equity in appointing authority, and safeguarding autonomy by amending the Chair election process.

Motion No. 8: **Moved Resolution No. 359 for discussion**
Motion Made By: Legislator Harmon
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Gavaris

Motion No. 9: **Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 359**
Motion Made By: Legislator Harmon
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Hansut

Voting in Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Hansut, Harmon, & Levine
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution Adopted**

LATE Resolution No. 414 – Authorizing Submission Of A Grant Application To The New York State Office Of Parks, Recreation And Historic Preservation, And The New York State Dormitory Authority For The New York Statewide Investment In More Swimming (NY SWIMS) Grant – Department Of Public Works

Resolution Summary – This Resolution authorizes the Commissioner of Public Works or designee, to submit online applications to the New York State Dormitory Authority of State of New York for the New York Statewide Investment in More Swimming (SWIMS) for funding up to grant's maximum award amount for rehabilitation of the Ulster County Pool, located in the Town of New Paltz. Furthermore, this Resolution commits 20% of the total project costs required as match if the County is awarded.

Motion No. 10: **Moved Resolution No. 414 for discussion**
Motion Made By: Legislator Hansut
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Harmon

Motion No. 11: **Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 414**
Motion Made By: Legislator Gavaris
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Harmon

Voting in Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Hansut, Harmon, & Levine
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution Adopted**

LATE Resolution No. 415 – Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Intermunicipal Agreement With The City Of Kingston For The Purpose Of Shared Services – Department Of Public Works (Parks)

Resolution Summary – This Resolution authorizes the Chair of the Legislature to enter into an intermunicipal agreement with the City of Kingston to provide lifeguard and pool attendant services in order to meet their staffing needs at the City of Kingston pool.

Motion No. 12: **Moved Resolution No. 415 for discussion**
Motion Made By: Legislator Hansut
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Harmon

Motion No. 13: **Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 415**
Motion Made By: Legislator Harmon
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Hansut

Voting in Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Hansut, Harmon, & Levine
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution Adopted**

LATE Resolution No. 416 – Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute Inter-Municipal Agreement With The Town Of Rosendale For The Purpose Of Shared Services – Department Of Public Works (Parks)

Resolution Summary – This Resolution authorizes the Chair of the Legislature to enter into an intermunicipal agreement with the Town of Rosendale to provide staffing services in order to meet their staffing needs at the Town of Rosendale pool.

Motion No. 14: **Moved Resolution No. 416 for discussion**
Motion Made By: Legislator Hansut
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Harmon

Motion No. 15: **Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 416**
Motion Made By: Legislator Harmon
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Hansut

Voting in Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Hansut, Harmon, & Levine
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution Adopted**

Forthcoming Resolution None

New Business None

Old Business: None

Adjournment

Motion Made By: Legislator Gavaris
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Hansut
Voting in Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Hansut, Harmon, & Levine
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0

TIME: 4:38 PM
Respectfully Submitted: Jay Mahler, Deputy Clerk
Approved: August 15, 2024

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