

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

DATE & TIME: August 8, 2024 at 5:00 PM
LOCATION(S): KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston
Livestreamed at <https://www.youtube.com/@UlsterCountyLegislature/streams>
PRESIDING OFFICER: Chair Uchitelle
LEGISLATIVE STAFF: Michael Tierney, Legislative Support Specialist
Tyron Rogers, Technical Support Specialist
MEMBERS PRESENT: Legislators Collins, Corcoran, Harmon, Kitchen, McCollough
MEMBERS ABSENT: Legislator Lopez
QUORUM PRESENT: Yes

OTHER ATTENDEES: Deputy Executive Johanna Contreras, Mental Health Commissioner Tara McDonald, DSS Commissioner Mike Iapoce, Office of the Aging Director Susan Koppenhaver

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Chair Uchitelle called the meeting to order at 5:06 PM.

Motion No. 1 **Moved to Approve June 6, 2024 Meeting Minutes**
Motion By: Legislator McCollough
Seconded By: Legislator Harmon
Voting in Favor: Legislators Collins, Corcoran, Harmon, Kitchen, McCollough, Uchitelle
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 6
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Minutes Approved**

Resolutions for August 20, 2024 Legislative Session:

Resolution No. 419 - Amending And Decreasing ARPA Funding For CP 635, And Amending And Increasing ARPA Funding In The Ulster County 2024 Operating Budget To Provide \$154,611 For Rental Assistance Services Through Legal Services Of The Hudson Valley - ARP Division – Department Of Finance

Resolution Summary: This Resolution amends the 2024 Operating Budget and the 2024 Capital Fund Budget to reduce the ARPA Parks Program in the amount of \$154,611.00 to reallocate these funds for Eviction Legal Services.

Motion No. 2 **Moved to Adopt Resolution No. 419**
Motion By: Legislator Collins
Seconded By: Legislator McCollough

Voting in Favor: Legislators Collins, Corcoran, Harmon, Kitchen, McCollough, Uchitelle
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 6

Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution Adopted**

Resolution No. 420 - Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$658,279.76 Entered Into By The County – Legal Services Of The Hudson Valley – Department Of Social Services

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract with Legal Services of the Hudson Valley for Eviction Defense Services in the amount of \$658,279.76.

Motion No. 3 **Moved to Adopt Resolution No. 420**
Motion By: Legislator Harmon
Seconded By: Legislator Collins

Voting in Favor: Legislators Collins, Corcoran, Harmon, Kitchen, McCollough, Uchitelle
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 6
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution Adopted**

Resolution No. 430 - Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Intermunicipal Agreement With The Town Of New Paltz For The Services Of A Domestic Violence Investigator Assigned To The Ulster County Family And Child Advocacy Center – Department Of Social Services

Resolution Summary: This Resolution authorizes the Chair of the Legislature to execute an Inter Municipal Agreement and any amendments thereto with the Town of New Paltz to engage the activities of investigators assigned to the County's Family and Child Advocacy Center.

Motion No. 4 **Moved to Postpone Resolution No. 430**
Motion By: Legislator Collins
Seconded By: Legislator McCollough

Voting in Favor: Legislators Collins, Corcoran, Harmon, Kitchen, McCollough, Uchitelle
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 6
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution Postponed**

Resolution No. 431 - Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$245,000.00 Entered Into By The County – RUPCO, Inc. – Department Of Finance

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract with RUPCO for the Commissary Kitchen for the use and benefit of small businesses in the amount of \$245,000 through the use of ARPA funds.

Motion No. 5 **Moved to Adopt Resolution No. 431**
Motion By: Legislator Corcoran
Seconded By: Legislator Collins
Voting in Favor: Legislators Collins, Corcoran, Harmon, Kitchen, McCollough, Uchitelle

Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 6
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution Adopted**

Resolution No. 432 - Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$3,500.00, Causing The Aggregate Contract Plus Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00, Entered Into By The County – Halwick Law, LLC – Office For The Aging

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approved the execution of a contract amendment in the amount of \$3500 with Halwick Law, LLC for the purposes of expanding the legal consultation services provided to seniors.

Motion No. 6 **Moved to Adopt Resolution No. 432**
Motion By: Legislator McCollough
Seconded By: Legislator Harmon

Voting in Favor: Legislators Collins, Corcoran, Harmon, Kitchen, McCollough, Uchitelle
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 6
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution Adopted**

Resolution No. 433 - Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$70,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Home Health Care & Companion Agency, Inc. – Office For The Aging

Resolution Summary: This Resolution authorizes a contract amendment in the amount of \$70,000 with Home Healthcare & Companion Agency, Inc. to increase funding and amend the scope of services to clarify the hours of service provided by the aides.

Motion No. 7 **Moved to Adopt Resolution No. 433**
Motion By: Legislator McCollough
Seconded By: Legislator Collins

Voting in Favor: Legislators Collins, Corcoran, Harmon, Kitchen, McCollough, Uchitelle
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 6
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution Adopted**

Resolution No. 434 - Amending The 2024 Ulster County Budget To Accept Increased Funding From The New York State Office Of Addiction Services And Supports For A 2.84% Cost Of Living Adjustment – Department Of Mental Health

Resolution Summary: This Resolution amends the 2024 Operating Budget in the amount of \$23,976.00 upon notification from the New York State Office of Addiction Services and Supports (OASAS) for increased funding due to a 2.84% Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) effective April 1, 2024.

