Law Enforcement & Public Safety Committee Regular Meeting Minutes

DATE & TIME: August 7, 2024 – 5:00 PM

LOCATION(S): District Attorney's Office, 3rd Floor, Ulster County Courthouse

275 Wall Street, Kingston, NY

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

PRESIDING OFFICER: Chair Hansut

LEGISLATIVE STAFF: Lizvett Bost, Legislature Administrative Assistant; Tyron Rogers, Legislature

Technical Support Specialist

MEMBERS PRESENT: Legislators Hewitt, McCollough and Walls

MEMBERS ABSENT: Legislators Clinton and Maloney

QUORUM PRESENT: Yes

OTHER ATTENDEES: Public Defender Corrado - Public Defender's Office; Director Naccarato, - UC Probation; Director Erichsen - Dept of Emergency Management/Emergency Communication; Under Sheriff Mullen – UC Sheriff's Office; Deputy County Executive Capuano - County Executive's Office; District Attorney Nneji, Investigator Paulding and Assistant DA Ahmed – UC District Attorney's Office

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Chair Hansut called the meeting to order at 5:25 PM

Motion No. 1: Motion to Approve the minutes of the July 3, 2024 Regular meeting and the

July 8, 2024 Special meeting

Motion Made By: Legislator Hewitt

Motion Seconded By: Legislator McCollough

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

Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Minutes Approved

Resolutions for the August 20, 2024 Session of the Legislature:

Resolution No. 221 – Supporting Northern Dutchess Paramedics' Application For A Certificate Of Need To Provide Ambulance Service To Ulster County

Resolution Summary – This Resolution supports the application of Northern Dutchess Paramedics (NDP) EMS to the NYS DOH for a "Certificate of Need" to extend its service area to include Ulster County.

Motion No. 2: Motion to Amend Resolution No. 221 As Presented

Motion Made By: Legislator Hewitt Motion Seconded By: Legislator Walls

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

Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution Amended As Presented

Motion No. 3: Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 221 As Amended

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

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

Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution Adopted As Amended

Resolution No. 418 – Adopting Proposed Local Law No. 8 Of 2024, A Local Law Amending The Code Of The County Of Ulster To Establish The Department Of Assigned Counsel

Resolution Summary – This Resolution adopts Proposed Local Law No. 8 Of 2024, A Local Law Amending The Code Of The County Of Ulster To Establish The Department Of Assigned Counsel

Motion No. 4: Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 418

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

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

Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution Adopted

Resolution No. 454 – Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The Counties Of Orange, Rockland And Sullivan For The Purpose Of Education And Training Within The HAZMAT Regional Partnership – Amending The 2024 Ulster County Operating Budget – Department Of Emergency Services

Resolution Summary – This Resolution authorizes the Chair of the Legislature to execute an agreement for FY 2022 and any amendments thereto with the Counties of Rockland, Orange, and Sullivan to form a regional partnership for Fire/Emergency Services and amends the 2024 Operating Budget in the amount of \$3,000.00.

Motion No. 5: Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 454

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

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

Voting Against: None

Votes in Favor: 4 Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution Adopted

Resolution No. 455 – Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The Counties Of Orange, Rockland And Sullivan For The Purpose Of Education And Training Within The HAZMAT Regional Partnership – Department Of Emergency Services

Resolution Summary – This Resolution authorizes the Chair of the Legislature to execute an agreement for FY 2023 and any amendments thereto with the Counties of Rockland, Orange, and Sullivan to form a regional partnership for Fire/Emergency Services.

Motion No. 6: Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 455

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

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

Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution Adopted

Resolution No. 456 – Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$29,100.00, Causing The Aggregate Contract Plus Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00, Entered Into By The County – Tectonic Engineering Consultants, Geologists & Land Surveyors, D.P.C. – Emergency Management/Emergency Communications

Resolution Summary – Contract amendment in the amount of \$29,100.00 with Tectonic Engineering Consultants, Geologists & Land Surveyors, D.P.C. Extending the term of agreement, increase funding and expand scope services to include architectural and engineering services for feasibility for two new tower locations at Pine Hill and New Paltz – Amendment term will be 7/17/24 – 3/31/25.

Motion No. 7: Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 456

Motion Made By: Legislator McCollough

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Walls

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

Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution Adopted

Resolution No. 457 – Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$1,195,851.12 Entered Into By The County – New York State Technology Enterprise Corporation – Emergency Management/ Emergency Communications

Resolution Summary – Contract amendment in the amount of \$1,195,851.12 with New York State Technology Enterprise Corporation, to extend the term and increase funding and expand the scope of services for project management and quality assistance services in the implementation of the UC Emergency Communications System by its review of the Motorola Solutions, Inc. Amendment term will be 7/1/24 - 12/31/27.

Motion No. 8: Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 457

Motion Made By: Legislator Walls
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Hewitt

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

Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution Adopted

Resolution No. 458 – Authorizing The Transfer Of Funds From Urgent Local Forfeiture Reserve To Urgent 2024 Operating Budget For Disbursement To Local Participating Municipalities - Ulster County Sheriff

Resolution Summary – This Resolution amends the 2024 Operating Budget in the amount of \$90,000.00 and authorizes the transfer and disbursement of Sheriff forfeiture funds from the Sheriff Forfeiture Reserve to the Town of Plattekill for \$40,000.00, the Town of Marlborough for \$25,000.00, the Town of Shandaken for \$20,250.00, the Town of Lloyd for \$2,750.00, and the Village of Ellenville for \$2,000.00 based on the hours of participation within URGENT.

Motion No. 9: Motion to Postpone Resolution No. 458

Motion Made By: Legislator Walls

Motion Seconded By: Legislator McCollough

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

Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution Postponed

Resolution No. 459 – Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$5,728.30, Causing The Aggregate Contract Plus Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00, Entered Into By The County – Virtra, Inc – Ulster County Sheriff

Resolution Summary – A contract amendment in the amount over \$5,728.30 with Virtra, Inc. to extend term of agreement and funding for the maintenance of the Virtual Training Simulator. For the term 9/1/24 - 8/31/25.

Motion No. 10: Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 459

Motion Made By: Legislator Hewitt

Motion Seconded By: Legislator McCollough

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

Voting Against: None Votes in Favor: 4

Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution Adopted

Resolution No. 460 – Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The New York State Division Of Criminal Justice Services For Participation In the Gun Involved Violence Elimination Initiative – Ulster County Sheriff

Resolution Summary – This Resolution authorizes the Chair of the Legislature to execute all contracts and any related amendments thereto with the Division of Criminal Justice Services for the purpose of Ulster County's participation in the GIVE Initiative Grant through the Office of the Sheriff in the amount of \$40,000.00 for the term July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025.

Motion No. 11: Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 460

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

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

Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution Adopted

Resolution No. 461 – Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The New York State Division Of Criminal Justice Services For Participation In the Gun Involved Violence Elimination Initiative – District Attorney

Resolution Summary – This Resolution authorizes the Chair of the Legislature to execute all contracts and any related amendments thereto with the Division of Criminal Justice Services for the purpose of Ulster County's participation in the GIVE Initiative Grant through the Office of the District Attorney in the amount of \$95,933.00 for the term July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025.

Motion No. 12: Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 461

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

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

Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution Adopted

Resolution No. 462 – Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The New York State Division Of Criminal Justice Services For Participation In the Gun Involved Violence Elimination Initiative – Probation Department

Resolution Summary – This Resolution authorizes the Chair of the Legislature to execute all contracts and any related amendments thereto with the Division of Criminal Justice Services for the purpose of Ulster County's

participation in the GIVE Initiative Grant through the Department of Probation in the amount of \$100,000.00 for the term July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025.

Motion No. 13: Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 462

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

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

Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution Adopted

Resolution No. 463 – Authorizing The Chair of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The New York State Office Of Indigent Legal Services For The Second Statewide Expansion Of Hurrell-Harring – Office Of The Public Defender

Resolution Summary – This Resolution authorizes the Chair of the Legislature to execute an agreement and any related amendments with the New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services for the purpose of the County's participation in the distribution of Indigent Legal Services funds, for the period beginning April 1, 2024 and ending March 31, 2027.

Motion No. 14: Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 463

Motion Made By: Legislator Walls

Motion Seconded By: Legislator McCollough

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

Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution Adopted

Resolution No. 464 – Amending The 2024 County Budget To Upgrade A Part-Time Investigator Position To Full-Time Chief Investigator And Raise The Pay Rate – Public Defender

Resolution Summary – This Resolution amends the 2024 Operating Budget and Personnel Listing to upgrade a Part Time Investigator Position to Full Time Investigator with an increased rate of pay for a total 2024 cost of \$13,862.00.

Motion No. 15: Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 464

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

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

Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution Adopted

Adjournment

Motion Made By: Legislator Hewitt

Motion Seconded By: Legislator McCollough

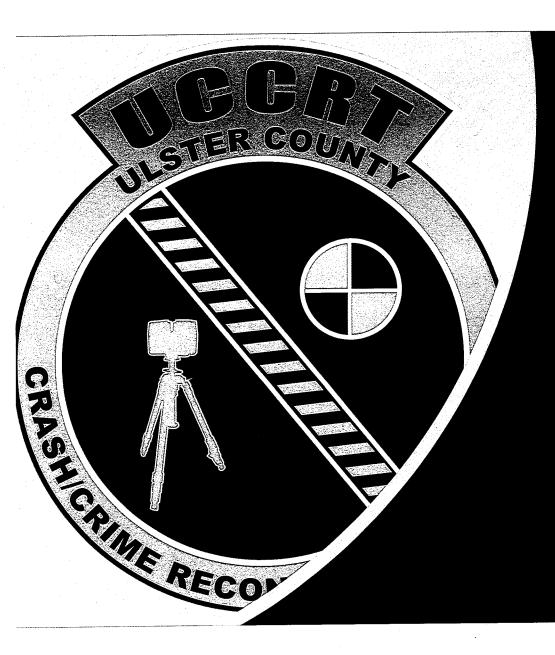
Votes in Favor: 4 Votes Against: 0

TIME: 5:46 PM

Respectfully Submitted: Lizvett Bost, Legislative Administrative Assistant

Approved: September 4, 2024

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Ulster County
Crash/Crime
Scene
Reconstruction
Team

Introduction

UCCRT- Ulster County Crash/Crime Reconstruction Team

- UCCRT is a unit which was created to assist local law enforcement with documenting crash/crime scenes to expedite analysis pursuant to discovery demand as the other CRU handles five counties with heavy delays not conducive to statutory demands.
- UCCRT is made up of Investigators from the Ulster County District Attorney office and police officers from various Ulster County Law Enforcement agencies.
- UCCRT is not limited to only scenes where a crime has been committed but may document a scene to rule out criminality.
- Ulster County District Attorney's Office realized that there was a need among law enforcement within the county for assistance when it comes to documenting scenes due to an increase in car/pedestrian/bicyclist accidents.
- UCCRT is a unit that will document detailed crash/crime scene evidence, which will play an instrumental role during the prosecution of a criminal case at the time of trial.
- UCCRT utilizes UAS/Drone teams from partnering Ulster County Law Enforcements agencies to assist in documenting scenes.

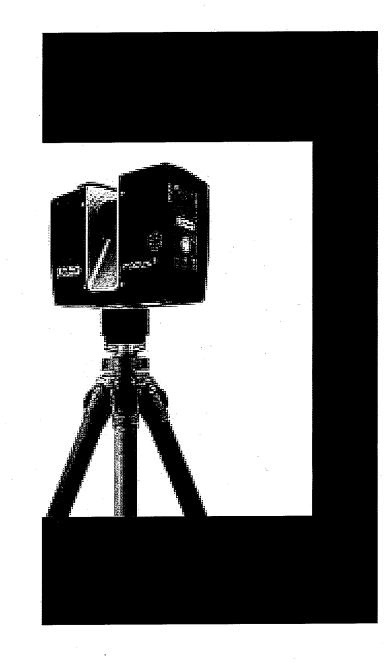






FARO Zone 3D Laser Scanner

- UCCRT utilizes a FARO 3D Laser scanner to document scenes and to avoid the loss of critical evidence.
- Members assigned to UCCRT are all trained and certified in the use of the scanner.
- Scanner is annually calibrated and maintained.
- Members train in the use of scanner in order to retain proficiency.
- Preserves evidence at a scene so that it can be presented at any time with the same accuracy that was scanned at the scene.

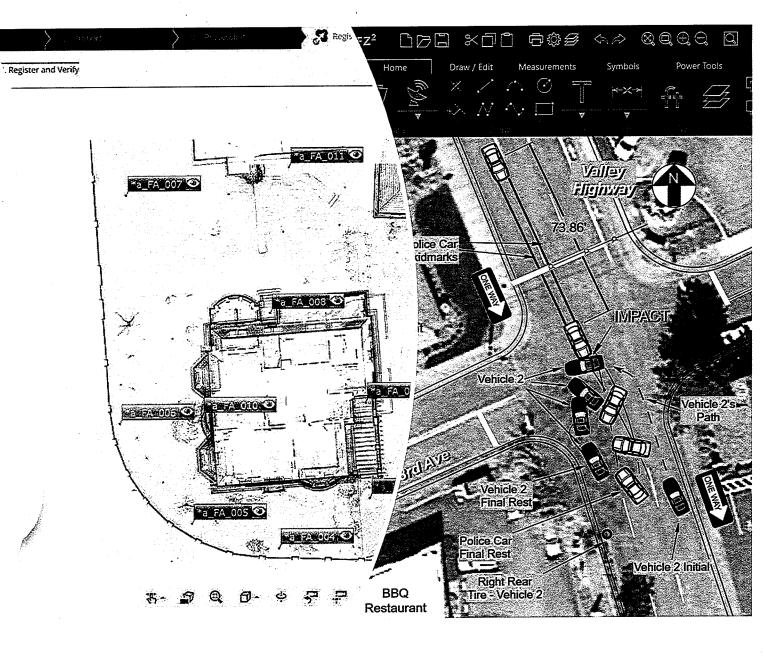


Faro Software

- Faro Scene Software is the first step in creating 3D visualizations.
- The scans from the scene are processed and then registered through the software to render the 3D image (point cloud).
- Faro Zone 3D Expert Software will make an accurate analysis of the scene and import a point cloud.
- Faro Zone 3D Expert Software will create detailed visuals, animations and reports for courtroom testimony.
- Faro Zone 3D Expert Software allows for photographs from any source to be converted into a point cloud.

Faro Software

- First photo Faro scene software.
- Second photo Faro 3D expert software.



Scene Photographs

- First photograph is from UAS/Drone
- Second photograph is from a crash scene with markings of roadway eveidence.



UCCRT purpose to Law Enforcement

UCCRT will:

- Give all law enforcement agencies the tools to document crash/crime scenes and preserve evidence in real time.
- Reduce burden of manpower needed to document scenes for the police departments.
- Reduce time to process scenes, criminal or noncriminal, which will save in overtime pay.
- Provide deliverables to assist law enforcement with courtroom testimony.
- Thoroughly document the scene to establish the facts which is instrumental in determining the cause of the accident.

Investigation which would include UCCRT assistance

Investigations of motor vehicle accidents that result in death, serious physical injury or substantial property damage whether it is criminal or non-criminal determined on a case-by-case basis.

Serious/Violent crime scenes which may have resulted in death or serious physical injury, but not limited to homicides, arsons, robberies or assaults.

Provide 3D rendering of schools and business to aide first responders in the event of active shooters, fires, bomb threats and assist in evacuation.

UCCRT purpose and benefit for Prosecution

UCCRT will provide the following for Prosecutors:

- Ability to provide deliverables which are a real time and accurate presentation of the scene at the time of the initial investigation.
- Provide a fly through video of crash/crime scene for courtroom presentation.
- Provide both 2D and 3D presentations for the courtroom.
- MOST IMPORTANT, 3D scanning technology can help a jury understand the facts of a case in a clear and visual way.

