

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

DATE & TIME: October 11, 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 Erner, Litts, Nolan
ABSENT: Legislator Fabiano
QUORUM PRESENT: Yes

OTHER ATTENDEES: Deputy County Executive Amanda LaValle, UCAT Director Toni Roser, DPW Director Brendan Masterson, DPW Deputy Director Robert Parete, Recovery & Resilience Director Nate Litwin, Barbara Budick

Chair Petit called the meeting to order at 6:37PM and asked Legislator Litts to lead the Committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.

DPW Director Masterson went through their Department Budget for FY2024.

UCAT Director Toni Roser went through their Department Budget for FY2024.

Motion No. 1	Moved to Adopt Minutes of the September 15, 2023 Meeting
Motion Made By:	Legislator Nolan
Motion Seconded By:	Legislator Litts
Discussion:	None.
Voting in Favor:	Legislators Erner, Litts, Nolan, Petit
Voting Against:	None
Votes in Favor:	4
Votes Against:	0
Disposition:	Minutes APPROVED

Resolutions for the October 18, 2023 Session of the Legislature:

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

Resolution Summary: Allocating \$500,000 of ARPA money through the City of Kingston for the renovation of 21 Elizabeth Street for the purposes of creating emergency housing

Motion No. 2	Moved to Postpone Resolution No. 337
Motion Made By:	Legislator Nolan
Motion Seconded By:	Legislator Litts
Discussion:	

Voting in Favor: Legislators Erner, Litts, Nolan, Petit
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution POSTPONED**

Resolution No. 556 - Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Intermunicipal Agreement With The Town Of Olive, As An ARPA-SLFRF Subrecipient, To Partially Fund The Construction Of New Fencing At Davis Park (46 Watson Hollow Road) – Department Of Finance, Division Of Recovery And Resilience

Resolution Summary: Intermunicipal agreement with the Town of Olive as part of the ARPA Parks program.

Resolution No. 557 - Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Intermunicipal Agreement With The Town Of Rochester, As An ARPA-SLFRF Subrecipient, To Fund The Construction Of Public Restrooms And Providing A New Roof To The Existing Park Pavilion At The Town Of Rochester Town Park (50 Scenic Road) – Department Of Finance, Division Of Recovery And Resilience

Resolution Summary: Intermunicipal agreement with the Town of Rochester as part of the ARPA Parks program.

Motion No. 3 **Moved to BLOCK Resolutions 556 & 557**
Motion Made By: Legislator Nolan
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Litts
Discussion: None.
Voting in Favor: Legislators Erner, Litts, Nolan, Petit
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolutions BLOCKED**

Motion No. 4 **Moved to ADOPT Blocked Resolutions**
Motion Made By: Legislator Nolan
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Litts
Discussion: None.
Voting in Favor: Legislators Erner, Litts, Nolan, Petit
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolutions 556 & 557 ADOPTED**

Resolution No. 570 - Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute A Lease Agreement With Access: Supports For Living Inc. To Provide Mental Health Services To The Community At Golden Hill Office Building – Department Of Public Works

Resolution Summary: Lease of 207 square feet of office space in the Golden Hill Office Building for the purpose of housing the Mobile Mental Health Team.

Motion No. 4 **Moved Resolution for DISCUSSION**
Motion Made By: Legislator Nolan
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Erner
Discussion: None. Hearing none, Chair Petit called the question in favor of the Resolution.
Voting in Favor: Legislators Erner, Litts, Nolan, Petit
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution ADOPTED**

Resolution No. 571 - Amending The 2023 - 2028 Capital Improvement Program -Establishing Capital Project No. 671 – UCSO Corrections Dishwasher - Amending The 2023 Capital Fund Budget- Ulster County Sheriff

Resolution Summary: Replacing the dishwasher at the County Jail.

Motion No. 5 **Moved Resolution for DISCUSSION**
Motion Made By: Legislator Nolan
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Litts
Discussion: Legislators highlighted the necessity of replacing this system. Hearing no further discussion, Chair Petit called the question in favor of the Resolution.
Voting in Favor: Legislators Erner, Litts, Nolan, Petit
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution ADOPTED**

Resolution No. 578 - Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Enter Into A Lease Extension Agreement With Pine Professional Center, LLC, For Office Space Currently Occupied By The Ulster County Probation Department Located At 124 Main Street, New Paltz, New York – Department Of Public Works (Buildings And Grounds)

Resolution Summary: Extending the lease with Pine Professional Center LLC for two months to house the Department of Probation.

Motion No. 6 **Moved Resolution for DISCUSSION**
Motion Made By: Legislator Nolan
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Erner
Discussion: None. Hearing none, Chair Petit called the question in favor of the Resolution.
Voting in Favor: Legislators Erner, Litts, Nolan, Petit
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution ADOPTED**

Resolution No. 580 - Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$105,000.00 Entered Into By The County – CPL Partnership, LLC – Department Of Public Works

Resolution Summary: Contract with CPL Partnership, LLC for HVAC inspection services.

Motion No. 7	Moved Resolution for DISCUSSION
Motion Made By:	Legislator Litts
Motion Seconded By:	Legislator Nolan
Discussion:	None. Hearing none, Chair Petit called the question in favor of the Resolution.
Voting in Favor:	Legislators Erner, Litts, Nolan, Petit
Voting Against:	None
Votes in Favor:	4
Votes Against:	0
Disposition:	Resolution ADOPTED

Resolution No. 581 - Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$73,234.55 Entered Into By The County – Creighton Manning Engineering, LLP – Department Of Public Works

Resolution Summary: Increasing funding for inspection services for the McKinstry Street Bridge.

Motion No. 8	Moved Resolution for DISCUSSION
Motion Made By:	Legislator Litts
Motion Seconded By:	Legislator Nolan
Discussion:	Deputy Director Parete said this would cover them through the winter and the bridge will be open ahead of schedule. Hearing no further discussion, Chair Petit called the question in favor of the Resolution.
Voting in Favor:	Legislators Erner, Litts, Petit, Nolan
Voting Against:	None
Votes in Favor:	4
Votes Against:	0
Disposition:	Resolution ADOPTED

Resolution No. 582 - Amending The 2023-2028 Capital Improvement Program - Amending Capital Project No. 505 – Replacement Of The Wolven Bridge Over The Sawkill Creek (PIN 8761.76) In The Town Of Woodstock - Authorizing The Implementation, And Funding In The First Instance 100% Of The Federal-aid And State "Marchiselli" Program-Aid Eligible Costs, Of A Transportation Federal-Aid Project, And Appropriating Funds - Amending The 2023 Capital Fund Budget - Department Of Public Works (Highways And Bridges)

Resolution Summary: Amending Capital Project No. 505 to increase the funding available for design services and construction inspection services, and construction services in the amount of \$2,102,000. for a total project cost of \$2,386,409.

Motion No. 9	Moved Resolution for DISCUSSION
Motion Made By:	Legislator Litts
Motion Seconded By:	Legislator Nolan

Discussion: None. Hearing none, Chair Petit called the question in favor of the Resolution.
Voting in Favor: Legislators Erner, Litts, Nolan, Petit
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution ADOPTED**

Resolution No. 584 - Amending The 2023-2028 Capital Improvement Program - Amending Capital Project No. 508 – Replacement Of The Fantinekill Bridge (PIN 8761.75) CR 3 (Samsonville Road) Over Mombaccus Creek In The Town Of Rochester - Authorizing The Implementation, And Funding In The First Instance 100% Of The Federal-aid And State "Marchiselli" Program-Aid Eligible Costs, Of A Transportation Federal-aid Project, And Appropriating Funds - Amending The 2023 Capital Fund Budget - Department Of Public Works (Highways And Bridges)

Resolution Summary: Amending Capital Project No. 508 to increase the funding available for design services and construction inspection services, and construction services in the amount of \$1,657,000.00 for a total project cost of \$1,938,810.00.

Motion No. 10 **Moved Resolution for DISCUSSION**
Motion Made By: Legislator Litts
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Nolan
Discussion: None. Hearing none, Chair Petit called the question in favor of the Resolution.
Voting in Favor: Legislators Erner, Litts, Nolan, Petit
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution ADOPTED**

Resolution No. 586 - Approving The Execution Of A Contract For A Rate Anticipated To Exceed \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Vetere Real Estate LTD. – Department Of Public Works

Resolution Summary: Contract with Vetere Real Estate LTD for Real Estate Broker services related to the sale of 701 Grant Avenue.

Motion No. 11 **Moved Resolution for DISCUSSION**
Motion Made By: Legislator Nolan
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Litts
Discussion: Chair Petit asked if this was a conflict of interest to have the seller as the property manager of a facility and why combining them was not done when this building was taken over. Legislator Litts asked what occurs if the property is not sold by January 1, 2024. DPW stated that they would have to go out for a new contract.
Voting in Favor: Legislators Erner, Litts, Nolan, Petit
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0

Disposition:

Resolution ADOPTED

Resolution No. 587 - Establishing Capital Project No. 678 - For The Purchase And Acquisition Of Real Property Located At 1711-1715 Ulster Avenue, Lake Katrine, (Town of Ulster), Ulster County, New York. Tax Parcel ID#; 38.19-3-23 For The Purpose Of Warehouse, Storage, And Office Space - Amending The 2023 Capital Fund Budget - Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute, All Documents Required For Said Acquisition – Department Of Public Works (Buildings & Grounds)

Resolution Summary: Purchasing property at 1711-1715 Ulster Avenue in the Town of Lake Katrine.

Motion No. 12

Moved Resolution for DISCUSSION

Motion Made By:

Legislator Nolan

Motion Seconded By:

Legislator Litts

Discussion:

Chair Petit asked what the plans for the house on the property was. DPW stated that there is a family renting the house but they are looking to purchase a house. Chair Petit asked if the family had been asked if they would like to stay there. Legislator Erner asked why the property was listed on Ulster County Parcel Viewer with a value of \$700,000, yet is being purchased for \$1.4 million. DPW Director Parete stated that the Department got an appraisal, which found the value to be the latter. Hearing no further discussion, Chair Petit called the question in favor of the Resolution.

Voting in Favor:

Legislators Erner, Litts, Nolan, Petit

Voting Against:

None

Votes in Favor:

4

Votes Against:

0

Disposition:

Resolution ADOPTED

Resolution No. 597 - Establishing A Policy To Expand Paratransit Services - Department Of Public Transportation

Resolution Summary: Setting a policy to expand paratransit services to within ¾ mile of fixed bus routes.

Motion No. 13

Moved Resolution for DISCUSSION

Motion Made By:

Legislator Erner

Motion Seconded By:

Legislator Nolan

Discussion:

The Committee and UCAT Director Roser discussed recent updates to the existing paratransit system. Legislator Erner stated he was not ready to move on the Resolution and requested it be postponed one month.

Motion No. 14

Moved to POSTPONE Resolution No. 597

Motion Made By:

Legislator Erner

Motion Seconded By:

Legislator Nolan

Discussion: None.
Voting in Favor: Legislators Erner, Litts, Nolan, Petit
Voting Against: None
Disposition: **Resolution POSTPONED**

Resolution No. 598 - Requiring Establishment And Maintenance Of Periodic Bus Stop Markers - Departments Of Public Transportation And Public Works

Resolution Summary: Setting a policy to require UCAT and DPW to install bus stop markers along fixed routes.

Motion No. 15 **Moved Resolution for DISCUSSION**
Motion Made By: Legislator Erner
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Nolan
Discussion: Legislator Erner indicated this Resolution is intended to remind the Executive that the Legislature allocated funds to construct bus shelters in the FY2023 Budget, which have not even broken ground yet.

Motion No. 16 **Moved to POSTPONE Resolution No. 598**
Motion Made By: Legislator Nolan
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Erner
Discussion: None.
Voting in Favor: Legislators Erner, Litts, Nolan, Petit
Voting Against: None
Disposition: **Resolution POSTPONED**

Resolution No. 599 - Amending Resolution No. 553 Of 2022 To Clarify And Expand Requirements Of Public Notification Of Changes To Ulster County Area Transit Bus Routes And Schedules

Resolution Summary: Requiring that UCAT shall update the public on changes to routes in a timely manner in both English and Spanish.

Motion No. 17 **Moved Resolution for DISCUSSION**
Motion Made By: Legislator Erner
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Nolan
Discussion:

Motion No. 18 **Moved to POSTPONE Resolution No. 599**
Motion Made By: Legislator Nolan
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Erner
Discussion: None.
Voting in Favor: Legislators Erner, Litts, Nolan, Petit
Voting Against: None
Disposition: **Resolution POSTPONED**

Resolution No. 464 - Establishing A Public-Transportation Level-of-Service Policy

Resolution Summary: This Resolution requires UCAT to provide regular fixed-route and paratransit service such that the public may attend all Sessions of the Legislature, guaranteeing that the day’s last run on each regular fixed-route bus line in the municipality where the Session took place, as well as that any paratransit riders’ return trip, shall depart no earlier than half-an-hour following the end of the Session

Motion No. 19
Motion Made By: Legislator Erner
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Nolan
Discussion: Legislator Erner stated that the current version of Resolution 464 combined elements of previous Resolutions to address policy holistically. Chair Petit indicated this could be turned into a memorializing letter if not passed. Legislator Litts repeated comments from previous Committee meetings that he would not be willing to support sweeping policy changes without accurate financial impacts statements. Legislator Nolan expressed hesitation to vote on a package Resolution like this. Legislator Erner stated he would be willing to postpone the Resolution.

Moved Resolution for DISCUSSION

Motion No. 20
Motion Made By: Legislator Erner
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Nolan
Discussion: None.
Voting in Favor: Legislators Erner, Litts, Nolan, Petit
Voting Against: None
Disposition: **Resolution POSTPONED**

Moved to POSTPONE Resolution No. 464

Resolution No. 551 - Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 11 Of 2023, A Local Law Providing For The Protection Of Vulnerable Road Users Bill Of Rights At Trail Crossings, To Be Held On Tuesday, November 14, 2023 At 7:10 PM

Resolution Summary: Setting a public hearing on Proposed Local Law No. 11 of 2023.

Motion No. 21
Motion Made By: Legislator Erner
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Nolan
Discussion: None.
Voting in Favor: Legislators Erner, Litts, Nolan, Petit
Voting Against: None
Disposition: **Resolution POSTPONED**

Moved to POSTPONE Resolution No. 551

Chair Petit asked DPW for an update on the status of the County’s bridges. DPW Stated there were 259 county owned bridges in Ulster County, and of that 37 were in ‘Poor’ condition, having rated lower than a 4 on the NYSDOT scale.

Chair Petit called on Town of Saugerties resident Barbara Budick to give in an update on the ongoing speeding issue on Old Kings Highway. Legislator Litts stated that the best course of action would be for the Town of Saugerties to write to the Regional Director of the DOT to request a traffic study.

Adjournment:

Motion Made By: Legislator Erner

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Litts

Votes in Favor: 4

Votes Against: 0

Time: 8:58 PM

Respectfully Submitted: Michael Tierney, Senior Legislative Employee

Minutes Approved: November 1, 2023