

**American Rescue Plan Act Special Committee  
Regular Meeting Minutes**

**DATE & TIME:** April 26, 2023 – 10:00 AM  
**LOCATION:** KL Binder Library, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, County Office Building, Kingston  
**PRESIDING OFFICER:** Peter Criswell  
**LEGISLATIVE STAFF:** Amber Feaster  
**PRESENT:** Legislators Corcoran, Levine, Lopez, and Sperry; and Legislative Chair Bartels  
**ABSENT:** None  
**QUORUM PRESENT:** Yes  
**OTHER ATTENDEES:** Legislators Erner, and Petit; Director of ARP Administration Nate Litwin; ARP Administration Molly Scott, and Ashlee Long; Comptroller March Gallagher; Office of the Comptroller Alaina Voulgaropoulos, and Charles Dinstuhl; Office of Economic Development Joshua Stratton Rayner, and Samantha Liotta; Office of the County Executive Laura Nordstrom

Peter Criswell called the meeting to order at 10:05 AM

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**Motion No. 1:** **Moved to Approve Minutes of the March 29, 2023 Meeting**

**Motion By:** Legislator Levine  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Sperry

**Discussion:** None

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Criswell, Corcoran, Levine, Lopez, and Sperry; and Legislative Chair Bartels

**Voting Against:** None

**Votes in Favor:** 6

**Votes Against:** 0

**Disposition:** **Minutes Approved**

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Chair Criswell acknowledged that nearly all ARPA funds have been assigned by the Legislature, speaking to the Committee about project monitoring, language for the various stages a project is in, and the Committee’s newest revision to the ARPA Financial Tracker. Deputy Clerk of the Legislature – Finance Amber Feaster reviewed and explained the revisions to the ARPA Financial Tracker including columns for tracking posted journal entries, expenditures, and encumbrances.

Director Litwin explained that progress has been made on the Brownfields project and the Crisis Stabilization Center. Director Litwin further explained the available budget, active contracts, and expenditures incurred for the Crisis Stabilization Center, describing why the acquisition costs exceeded the budget by \$56,443.00. The Committee discussed the potential to consider reallocating funds, the history of assignments, and the history of Legislative authorizations. Legislative Chair Bartels requested a reconciliation of current assignments against the initial Resolution No. 333 of 2021.

Director Litwin provided an update on the renovations of 21 Elizabeth Street. Chair Criswell asked for follow-up on the additional funding covering these renovations. Discussion pursued on the status of all other ARPA projects. Chair Criswell offered to call non-profits who have been awarded but have not yet

received the allocation. Legislator Erner emphasized this offer to participate within his district, speaking to constituents about projects, and creating a hands-on process that includes Legislative participation.

Samantha Liotta from the Department of Economic Development announced the recipients of the Cares II funding.

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Resolutions for the May 16, 2023 Session of the Legislature:

**Resolution No. 217:** Amending Capital Project No. 598 – Crisis Stabilization Center – Amending The 2023 Capital Fund Budget - Closing Costs For The Purchase Of 368 Broadway - ARPA - Department Of Finance, Division Of Recovery And Resilience

**Resolution Summary:** This resolution increases the budget for Capital Project No. 598 – Crisis Stabilization Center in the amount of \$56,443.00 due to unauthorized overspending during the purchase of the property.

**Motion No. 2:**                    **Resolution No. 217 Moved for Discussion**  
**Motion By:**                    Legislator Sperry  
**Motion Seconded By:**        Legislator Corcoran

**Discussion:**

None.

Chair Criswell asked if there was any other discussion and hearing none called for a vote in favor of the Resolution, as Amended.

**Voting In Favor:**            Legislators Criswell, Corcoran, Levine, Lopez, and Sperry  
**Voting Against:**            None  
**Votes in Favor:**            5  
**Votes Against:**            0  
**Disposition:**              **Resolution Approved**

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**Resolution No. 218:** Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Intermunicipal Agreement With The Town Of Marlborough, As An ARPA-SLFRF Subrecipient, To Fund The Improvements And Expansion Of Sewer Treatment Plant – Department Of Finance, Division Of Recovery And Resilience

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution authorizes the Chair of the Legislature to execute the IMA with the Town of Marlborough to fund enhancements to the Hamlet of Marlboro Wastewater Treatment Facility in the amount of \$500,000.00.

**Motion No. 3:**                    **Resolution No. 218 Moved for Discussion**  
**Motion By:**                    Legislator Sperry  
**Motion Seconded By:**        Legislator Levine

**Discussion:**

None.

Chair Criswell asked if there was any discussion and hearing none called for a vote in favor of the Resolution.

**Voting In Favor:** None  
**Voting Against:** Legislators Criswell, Corcoran, Levine, Lopez, and Sperry  
**Votes in Favor:** 5  
**Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** **Resolution Approved**

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**Resolution No. 219:** Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Intermunicipal Agreement With The Town Of Marbletown, As An ARPA-SLFRF Subrecipient, To Fund Phase 1 Water Service Extension To Route 209 Corridor – Department Of Finance, Division Of Recovery And Resilience

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution authorizes the Chair of the Legislature to execute the IMA with the Town of Marbletown to fund the Phase 1 Water Service Extension in the amount of \$500,000.00.

**Motion No. 4:** **Resolution No. 219 Moved For Discussion**  
**Motion By:** Legislator Corcoran  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Sperry

**Discussion:**

None.

Chair Criswell asked if there was any discussion and hearing none called for a vote in favor of the Resolution.

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Criswell, Corcoran, Levine, Lopez, and Sperry  
**Voting Against:** None  
**Votes in Favor:** 5  
**Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** **Resolution Adopted**

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**Resolution No. 220:** Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Intermunicipal Agreement With The Town Of New Paltz, As An ARPA-SLFRF Subrecipient, To Fund Interconnection Of A Town Sewer District – Department Of Finance, Division Of Recovery And Resilience

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution authorizes the Chair of the Legislature to execute the IMA with the Town to fund infrastructure for interconnection of a Town sewer district in the amount of \$500,000.00.

**Motion No. 5:** **Resolution No. 220 Moved For Discussion**  
**Motion By:** Legislator Corcoran  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Sperry

**Discussion:**

Legislator Levine asked if this main line will reach the Government Operations Center site. The ARPA Division agreed to follow up with an answer.

Chair Criswell asked if there was any discussion and hearing none called for a vote in favor of the Resolution.

<b>Voting In Favor:</b>	Legislators Criswell, Corcoran, Levine, Lopez, and Sperry
<b>Voting Against:</b>	None
<b>Votes in Favor:</b>	5
<b>Votes Against:</b>	0
<b>Disposition:</b>	<b>Resolution Adopted</b>

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**Resolution No. 221:** Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Intermunicipal Agreement With The Village Of New Paltz, As An ARPA-SLFRF Subrecipient, To Fund The Replacement Of The Village Water Main – Department Of Finance, Division Of Recovery And Resilience

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution authorizes the Chair of the Legislature to execute the IMA with the Village of New Paltz to fund the replacement of Village water main infrastructure in the amount of \$500,000.00.

<b>Motion No. 6:</b>	<b>Resolution No. 221 Moved For Discussion</b>
<b>Motion By:</b>	Legislator Levine
<b>Motion Seconded By:</b>	Legislator Corcoran

**Discussion:**

None.

Chair Criswell asked if there was any discussion and hearing none called for a vote in favor of the Resolution.

<b>Voting In Favor:</b>	Legislators Criswell, Corcoran, Levine, Lopez, and Sperry
<b>Voting Against:</b>	None
<b>Votes in Favor:</b>	5
<b>Votes Against:</b>	0
<b>Disposition:</b>	<b>Resolution Adopted</b>

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**Unfinished Business**

None

**New Business**

Comptroller Gallagher introduced the Committee too Alaina Voulgaropoulos, Contract Analyst.

Chair Criswell asked the Committee to consider the time of future meetings.

Legislator Erner requested the Committee consider addressing water and sewer issues that exist at some of the County's temporary housing facilities. Chair Criswell asked for specific details and locations to better understand the extent of the issue.

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Chair Criswell asked if there was further discussion, old or new business, and hearing none;

**Adjournment**

**Motion Made By:** Legislator Corcoran

**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Sperry

**No. of Votes in Favor:** 5

**No. of Votes Against:** 0

**TIME:** 11:09 AM

**Respectfully submitted:** Deputy Clerk – Finance Feaster

**Minutes Approved:** May 24, 2023