

ULSTER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

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AGENDA

April 16, 2024

PUBLIC HEARING & REGULAR MEETING

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7:05 PM

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY CHAIR:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG AND MOMENT OF SILENT MEDITATION:

Led by Owen C. Moorhus in recognition of earning the rank of Eagle Scout. Owen is a member of Troop 36, BSA, Saugerties, New York. Owen's Eagle Scout Project entailed restoring outdoor stairs at the Mountaintop Arboretum in East Jewett.

In recognition of achieving Boys Scouts of America's highest honor, Chair Peter Criswell will call upon District No. 1 Legislator Aaron Levine, and District No. 2 Legislator Joe Maloney to present a Pride of Ulster County Award to Owen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FIRE EVACUATION PLAN

PLEASE NOTE THAT IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY THE FIRE DEPARTMENT HAS REQUESTED THAT LEGISLATORS AND ALL OTHERS MOVE AT LEAST ONE BLOCK AWAY FROM THE COUNTY OFFICE BUILDING IN ORDER NOT TO IMPEDE THE FIREFIGHTERS IN THEIR DUTIES

CELL PHONES

Please silence cell phones for the duration of the Public Hearing and Session.

MICROPHONES

Please be reminded to use your microphones when speaking so that you are recorded for the official record.

ROLL CALL: Present: Absent:

7:05 PM – CALL OF THE PUBLIC HEARING BY CLERK: On Proposed Local Law No. 3 Of 2024, A Local Law Amending Article V Of The Ulster County Charter (Local Law No. 2 Of 2006) And Amending Section Article V Of The Administrative Code For The County Of Ulster (Local Law No. 10 Of 2008) To Modify Various Provisions In Relation To The Commissioner Of Health Or Public Health Director And The Medical Examiner

PUBLIC COMMENT:

PUBLIC HEARING ADJOURNED:

BIRTHDAYS:

Legislative Counsel Chris Ragucci April 6

MOTION TO DISPENSE WITH THE READING OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS

COMMUNICATIONS FROM:

UC Legislative Chair, Peter Criswell

Ulster County Clerk of the Legislature, Victoria Fabella

Legislative News

Allison Costanzo, Chamber of Commerce

Appoints Debra Clinton to the Youth Board

Foil Request & Response – Grant Gardner
– Mobile Home Parks & Motels in UC

Ribbon Cutting – Dedication of Ganna’s
Way – Friday, March 22, 2024 @ 6:00 PM

Ribbon Cutting – Hole in the Wall Donuts
Van – Wednesday, April 5, 2024 @ 11:00
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COMMUNICATIONS FROM (Continued):

Allison Costanzo, Chamber of Commerce

Ribbon Cutting – The Waterside Spa at Diamond Mills – Thursday, April 17, 2024 @ 4:30 PM

Ribbon Cutting – The Hudson Valley National Center for Veteran Reintegration - Thursday, April 18, 2024 @ 4:30 PM

Ribbon Cutting – The Barn Raiser – Tuesday, April 30, 2024 @ 1:00 PM

Andrew Hiller, Kingston

Email - Hotel/Motel occupancy tax rate

Brian Slack, UC Transportation Council

GTSC 2025 Highway Safety Grant Program

Cynthia Bell, LWV Mid-Hudson Region

HV Climate Road Map 101 - 4 Part Series

Dafne DeJesus, UC Comptroller's Office

Comptroller Gallagher releases 2023 Ulster County Public Pay Dashboard

Comptroller's Office Annual Report Identifying Risks to Ulster County

Comptroller's Office releases Constituent Services Quality Evaluation Report for 2022 Contracts

Danielle Rispoli, Department of Transportation

Press Release – Port Authority Airports leap past previous highs with new February Passenger Record

Edward Jordan, UC Purchasing Department

Non-Commodity Solicitation –

RFQ-UC24-004 - UC Comptroller Website Redesign

Hudson Valley Regional Council

HVRC Economic Development Digest

Jen Calderon, NYSERDA

NY Sun NOI Submission – Ohioville Solar In Town of Lloyd & Plattekill and Additional Clarification from Dennis Pokrzywka and Owen Hooper

John Quigley, UC Board of Elections

Presidential Primary, Early Voting dates and locations

Ken Panza, Town of Woodstock

Woodstock Report – Climate Smart

Kevin Roberts, Minority Leader

Rapid Act Opposition

COMMUNICATIONS FROM (Continued):

Lindsay R. Ballard, Catskill Watershed Corporation

Notice Of Preliminary Decisions – April 3, 2024

Lisa Snyder, UC Purchasing Department

February 2024 Executed Contracts List

March Gallagher, UC Comptroller

Comptroller’s Annual Report with Risk Assessment

Rebecca Martin, Hudson 7

Agenda for April 10, 2024 and Minutes for March 18, 2024

Highlights - PCB’s and Drinking Water – A presentation by Riverkeeper’s Science Director Shannon Roback to the Hudson 7

Sarah Levy, Huguenot Street

Presents – Springtime Crafts and more - April 27, 2024

Tom Gibney, UC Compliance Officer

Spring 2024 Edition & 2023 Survey Results

Ulster County Board of Health

Agenda – December 12, 2023

Ulster County Compliance Committee

Agenda for February 28, 2024 & Minutes for January 31, 2024

Ulster County Planning Board

Agenda for Wednesday, April 3, 2024 & Minutes for March 6, 2024

P. Erner

Email supporting Res. No. 167 & opposing Res. No. 168

C. Southard-Lorenzo

Email supporting CMRR expansion

K. Miller

Opposing Resolution No. 168

COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS:

County Executive Metzger urges residents to review and edit broadband internet map

Ulster County opens application process for paid Summer Climate Corps Internship Program

Ulster County Legislature Unanimously approves updates to Sexual Harassment Policy

COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS (continued):

Media Advisory – Walk with us for Women’s History Month – Friday, March 22, 2024

Order of Succession – Deputy County Executives Johanna Contreras, Jamie

Capuano & Amanda LaValle appointed in the event of County Executive Jen Metzger

Ulster County receives State Grant to reduce lead exposure in rental housing

UC Executive Jen Metzger announces release of EMS Study Report

County Executive Jen Metzger weighs in on State Budget in letter to Governor Hochul

Appointed Timothy Rose to the position of Acting Public Health Director, effective March 29, 2024

Appointed Abbey-Gayle Kelly to the Ulster County Youth Board

Appointed Brigid Walsh to the Ulster County Board of Ethics

Lucas Avenue in the Town of Ulster to be dedicated as ‘Ulster County Vietnam War Veterans Memorial Highway’

Appointed Michael Dent & Stephan Sloan to the STOP DWI Advisory Board

Appointed Maya Hambright to the Community Service Board and the Community Service Board’s Substance Abuse Subcommittee

Appointed Emma Desanges to the Community Service Board and the

Community Services Board’s Mental Health Subcommittee

Appointed LaTisha B-Kentop to the Ulster County Youth Board

COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS (continued):

County Executive Metzger speaks in Albany in support of short-term rental Legislation

Earthquake Felt throughout Ulster County

Ulster County secures \$25k Grant from bank of Greene County for senior home repairs

ANNUAL REPORTS:

Human Rights 2023

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Economic Development, Planning, Education,
Employment, Arts & Agriculture
Energy, Environment & Sustainability
Health, Human Services & Housing
Law Enforcement and Public Safety
Laws and Rules, Government Services
Public Works, Capital Projects & Transportation
Ways and Means
American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)

DATE:

March 5, 2024
March 5, 2024
March 7, 2024
March 6, 2024
March 14, 2024
March 11, 2024
March 14, 2024
March 7, 2024

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR –

Chair Criswell has granted Privilege of the Floor to Open Space Institute Peter Karis, Vice President for Parks & Stewardship and Bob Anderberg, General Counsel. Founded in 1974, the Open Space Institute (OSI) has grown to become a national conservation leader, partnering in the protection of more than 2.5 million acres across the Eastern US and Canada. Celebrating its 50th year, OSI has been committed to strategic conservation, making the outdoors more accessible for all, and promoting science-based conservation among fellow land trusts and government leaders.

AWARD PRESENTATION –

In recognition of her decades of environmental stewardship, the Ulster County Lifetime Achievement Award is being granted to Legislator Manna Jo Greene for her engagement in environmental advocacy. Through her role in the campaign to close the Indian Point nuclear power plant, advocacy work around the remediation of the Hudson River from General Electric’s PCB contamination, dedication to shaping and advancing Clearwater’s mission, and tireless efforts in the Ulster County Legislature, Manna Jo Greene embodies the spirit of community and sustainability.

Chair Criswell will call upon Legislators Hewitt and Walls, Chair and Deputy Chair of the Energy, Environment and Sustainability Committee to present an Ulster County Lifetime Achievement Award to Legislator Greene for her lifetime commitment to environmental advocacy, sustainability and making Ulster County cleaner, greener, and safer.

SPEAKERS

Hon. Kevin Roberts - Minority Leader Address

Hon. Abe Uchitelle - Majority Leader Address

PUBLIC COMMENT (on Resolutions currently before the Legislature):

**RESOLUTION NOS: 78, 151, 157 – 166, 169 – 187, 189 – 205; 77 & 155 – POSTPONED;
 167 – REFERRED BACK TO COMMITTEE; 168, 188 & 207 – DEFEATED;
 206 - WITHDRAWN**

	Consent
151	Amending The Rules Of Order In Relation To Resolution Deadline SECOND READING AND VOTE
157	Creating And Funding Position For The Climate Justice Fellowship - Amending The 2024 Ulster County Budget - Youth Bureau

158	Moving Climate Corps Interns To The Youth Bureau - Amending The 2024 Ulster County Budget
159	Declaring Ulster County's Intent To Act As Lead Agency Under New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) For The Construction Of A Public Safety Radio Tower And Appurtenances To Be Located At 1915-1925 Lucas Avenue In The Town Of Rosendale – Department Of Emergency Services
162	Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The New York State Department Of Labor To Allow The Department Of Planning To Act As Census Designated Affiliate – Department Of Planning
163	Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$6,680.00, Causing The Aggregate Contract Plus Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00, Entered Into By The County – Transpo Group USA, Inc. – Department Of Planning
164	Setting A Public Hearing On The Tentative Budget Of Ulster County Community College For The Year 2024 – 2025
165	Establishing Capital Project No. 696 SUNY Ulster – Water Service Line Replacement And Approving The Work Order With The Dormitory Authority Of The State Of New York (DASNY) For Feasibility Study Related To The Capital Project No. 696 – Water Service Line Replacement – Ulster County Community College - Amending The 2024 Capital Fund Budget – SUNY Ulster
169	Approving Home Rule Request For Senate Bill No. S8065 And Assembly Bill No. A8875, In Relation To Hotel And Motel Taxes In Ulster County
170	Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$52,669.32 Entered Into By The County – Motorola Solutions Inc. – Department Of Emergency Management
171	Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$11,450.00, 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. – Department Of Emergency Management

173	Authorizing Execution Of A Grant Application With Required Assurances For The United States Department Of Justice, Office Of Violence Against Women, Rural Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, And Stalking Program – Department Of Probation
174	Amending The 2024 Ulster County Sheriff’s Office Budget – UCSO Corrections Telephone Account Reserve Transfer To Expenditure- Ulster County Sheriff
175	Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$27,600.00, Causing The Aggregate Contract Plus Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00, Entered Into By The County – Verify Polygraph & Forensic Consultants, LLC – Ulster County Sheriff
176	Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$28,203.83, Causing The Aggregate Contract Plus Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00, Entered Into By The County – Watch Systems, LLC – Ulster County Sheriff
177	Providing Grant Authorization For U.S. Treasury Reporting For 2025 & 2026 ARPA Administration Estimated Costs – ARP Division - Department Of Finance, Division Of Recovery And Resilience
178	Rescinding Resolution No. 425 Of 2021 - Ulster County Policy Requiring Crisis Respite Houses In Ulster County - Department Of Mental Health
179	Amending The 2024 Budget To Implement Resolution No. 77 Of 2023, Establishing A Policy To Prioritize The Mental And Behavioral Health Needs Assessment And Determining A Five-Year Plan – Department Of Mental Health
181	Amending The 2024 Budget To Enter Into An Inter-Departmental Agreement With The Sheriff’s Department To Provide Security For The Center For Well-being For One Year – Department Of Mental Health
182	Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$368,000.00 Entered Into By The County – LaSalle School, Inc. – Department Of Mental Health
183	Amending The 2024 Ulster County Budget – Department Of Social Services

184	Authorizing Execution Of An Agreement With The New York State Office Of Children And Family Services For The Multidisciplinary Team Child Advocacy Center Program And Amending The 2024 Ulster County Operating Budget – Department Of Social Services
185	Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$325,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Berkshire Farm Center and Services for Youth – Department Of Social Services
186	Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$150,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Jewish Child Care Association of New York – Department Of Social Services
190	Authorizing Execution Of An Intermunicipal Agreement With The Village Of Saugerties, As An ARPA-SLFRF Subrecipient, To Fund Improvements To The Village’s Wastewater Treatment System – Department Of Finance, Division Of Recovery And Resilience
191	Amending The 2024 - 2029 Capital Improvement Program –Amending Capital Project No. 520, Highway Safety Program – Amending The 2024 Capital Fund Budget - Department Of Public Works (Highways And Bridges)
196	Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$3,264,667.00 Entered Into By The County – S&O Construction Services, Inc. – Department of Public Works
197	Approving The Execution Of A Contract For Rates Anticipated To Exceed \$50,000.00, Entered Into By The County – All States Construction, Inc. D/B/A Gorman Construction – Department Of Public Works
198	Approving The Execution Of A Contract Assignment, And Contract Amendment For Rates Anticipated To Exceed \$50,000.00, Entered Into By The County – GeoStabilization International, LLC And Access Limited Construction – Department Of Public Works
199	Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$145,566.24 Entered Into By The County – Securitas Technology Corporation – Department of Public Works
200	Approving The Execution Of A Contract For Rates Anticipated To Exceed \$50,000.00, Entered Into By The County – Seneca Pavement Marking, Inc. – Department Of Public Works

201	Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Sign Agreements With Various School Districts In Ulster County For The Use Of Polling Equipment And Material – Ulster County Board Of Elections
202	Setting A Public Hearing On 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, To Be Held On Tuesday, May 14, 2024 At 7:05 PM
203	Authorizing Budget Director To Make Certain Transfers Of Funds – Department Of Budget
205	Authorizing Execution And Submission Of A Grant Application To The Federal Transit Administration To Apply, Accept And Administer 5339(C) FY 2024 Low Or No Emission Grant Program And The Grants For Buses And Bus Facilities Competitive Program For The Purchase Of Low Or No Emissions Buses - Ulster County Area Transit (UCAT)
	Non-Consent
78	Establishing A Policy Requiring Nonprofit Vendors To Comply With Applicable Financial Reporting And Tax Filing Regulations
160	Authorizing The Ulster County Executive To Execute A Contract With The New York State Empire State Development Corporation, For State Funding For The Implementation Of A Restore New York Communities Initiative Grant And Amending The 2024 Ulster County Budget – Department Of Economic Development
161	Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$10,000,000.00 Entered Into By The County – I.Park 87 LLC – Department Of Economic Development
166 BOND	Authorizing The Planning For The Water Service Line Replacement At The Ulster County Community College Campus At SUNY Ulster, In And For The County Of Ulster, New York, At A Maximum Estimated Cost Of \$176,606.00, And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$176,606.00 Bonds Of Said County To Pay The Cost Thereof
172	Appointing And Reappointing Members To The Ulster County Fire Advisory Board

180	Amending The 2024 Budget To Fund The Mental Health Initiative To Secure Services For A Children’s Mental Health Clinic – Department Of Mental Health
187	Approving The Execution Of A Contract For Rates Anticipated To Exceed \$50,000.00, Entered Into By The County – Westchester County Health Care Corporation D/B/A Westchester Medical Center HealthAlliance Hospital Mary’s Avenue Campus – Department Of Health
189	Reestablishing The Ulster County Trails Advisory Committee – Ulster County Legislature
192 BOND	Authorizing Preliminary Planning And Equipment Purchases For Highway Safety Projects, In And For The County Of Ulster, New York, At A maximum Estimated Cost Of \$250,000.00, And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$250,000.00 Bonds Of Said County To Pay The Cost Thereof
193	Amending Capital Project No. 677, Golden Hill Transportation Improvements – Amending The 2024 Capital Fund Budget – Department Of Public Works (Buildings and Grounds)
194 BOND	Authorizing The Issuance Of An Additional \$119,147.00 Bonds Of The County Of Ulster, New York, To Pay Part Of The Cost Of Golden Hill Transportation Improvements, In And For Said County
195	Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$108,316.20 Entered Into By The County – Giacorp Contracting Inc. – Department of Public Works
204	Appointing And Reappointing Members To The Ulster County Industrial Development Agency Board Of Directors

PUBLIC COMMENT (on subjects *not* currently before the Legislature):

MEETING ADJOURNED IN MEMORY OF:

Martha Giammattei, Marlboro
Veronica Williams, Marlboro
Rosalie Dragotta, Marlborough
William Russertt Jr., Marlborough
Antonio Vitale, Marlboro
Carlos Arramz, Modena
John Moriarity, Kingston

Joseph Christofora, Kingston
Charlie Kane, Kingston
Donald Sanders, Kingston
Margary Blythe, Ellenville
Patricia Lasher, Kingston
Richard Metcalf, Kingston
Gloria Lipton, Kingston

CLOSING WORDS – Chair Criswell will call upon Legislator Donaldson, District 8, to offer closing words.

NEXT MEETING:

The next Regular Meeting of the Ulster County Legislature held on **Tuesday, May 14, 2024 at 7:00 PM** in the Legislative Chambers, Sixth Floor, Ulster County Office Building, 244 Fair Street, Kingston, New York.

Resolution deadline is **Wednesday**, April 17, 2024.

MEETING ADJOURNED: