

**Economic Development, Planning, Education, Employment,  
Arts and Agriculture Committee**

**DATE & TIME:** December 6, 2022 – 6:00 PM  
**LOCATION:** KL Binder Library, COB, Kingston, New York  
**PRESIDING OFFICER:** Chair Brian Cahill  
**LEGISLATIVE STAFF:** Michael Tierney  
**PRESENT:** Legislators Thomas Corcoran, Peter Criswell, Chris Hewitt, Joseph Maloney, Megan Sperry and Chair Tracey Bartels (Left at 7:27PM)  
**ABSENT:** Legislator Herbert Litts, III  
**QUORUM PRESENT:** Yes

**OTHER ATTENDEES:** Legislators Phil Erner and Kathy Nolan; Deputy Executive Chris Kelly, Director Dennis Doyle, Planning; Executive Director Jake Wedemeyer, Ulster County Soil And Water Conservation District; Christian Malsatzki, Cornell Cooperative Extension; Jamie Capuano, Vice President of Administrative Services, SUNY Ulster; Alison Buckley; Margie Menard, Outgoing President, Ulster County Libraries Association; Katie Scott-Childress, Incoming President, Ulster County Libraries Association; Sally Warren; Henry Gage

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Chair Cahill Called the meeting to order at 6:02PM and led the Committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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**Resolutions for the December 19, 2022 Legislative Session**

**Resolution No. 615 –** Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Enter Into An Agreement With The Ulster County Soil And Water Conservation District For The 2023 Appropriation – Legislature

**Resolution Summary:** Providing funds for the Soil and Water Conservation District for fiscal year 2023.

**Motion No. 1** **Moved Resolution No. 615 For DISCUSSION**

**Motion Made By:** Legislator Hewitt

**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Corcoran

**Discussion:** Discussion revolved around use for additional \$40,000 appropriation amendment presented to the Committee. Director Wedemeyer stated that this is money will be used to cover costs of a larger no-till drill and alleviate pressure on the organization as they cover the costs of opting into the New York State Retirement System. Chair Bartels requested that the Conservation District



**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Criswell

**Voting in Favor:** Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Corcoran, Criswell, Hewitt, Maloney, Sperry

**Voting Against:** None

**Votes in Favor:** 7

**Votes Against:** 0

**Disposition:** **Resolution ADOPTED AS AMENDED**

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**Resolution No. 617 –** 2023 Appropriation For The Ulster County Libraries Program

**Resolution Summary:** Providing funds for the Ulster County Libraries Association for fiscal year 2023

**Motion No. 5:** **Moved Resolution No. 617 For DISCUSSION**

**Motion Made By:** Legislator Criswell

**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Corcoran

**Discussion:** Library Association President elaborated on what programs the Association provides to its constituent libraries. Hearing no further discussion, Chair Cahill called the question.

**Motion No. 6:** **Motion to AMEND Resolution No. 617 Appropriation From \$84,000 to \$102,400**

**Motion By:** Legislator Bartels

**Motion Seconded By:**

**Voting in Favor:** Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Corcoran, Criswell, Hewitt, Maloney, Sperry

**Voting Against:** None

**Votes in Favor:** 7

**Votes Against:** 0

**Disposition:** **Resolution ADOPTED As Amended**

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**Resolution No. 620 -** Appointing Member To The Soil And Water Conservation District Board

**Resolution Summary:** Appointing Frederick Wilklow to replace William Wilklow through December 31, 2023.

**Motion No. 7:** **Moved Resolution No. 620 For DISCUSSION**

**Motion Made By:** Legislator Criswell

**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Corcoran  
**Discussion:** None. Hearing none Chair Cahill called the question.  
**Voting in Favor:** Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Corcoran, Criswell, Heppner, Maloney, Sperry  
**Voting Against:** None  
**Votes in Favor:** 7  
**Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** **Resolution ADOPTED**

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**Resolution No. 621 –** Reappointing Member To The Ulster County Planning Board – Town of Marbletown – Department of Planning

**Resolution Summary:** Appointing Harry Hanson to serve on the Ulster County Planning Board for the Town of Marbletown for the term between January 1, 2023 and December 31, 2026.

**Motion No. 8:** **Moved Resolution No. 621 For DISCUSSION**  
**Motion By:** Legislator Sperry  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Corcoran

**Discussion:** None. Hearing none Chair Cahill called the question.

**Voting in Favor:** Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Corcoran, Criswell, Heppner, Maloney, Sperry  
**Voting Against:** None  
**Votes in Favor:** 7  
**Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** **Resolution ADOPTED**

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**Resolution No. 622 –** Authorizing The Continuation Of Agricultural District No. 4 – Esopus Creek – Towns of Hurley, Kingston, Marbletown, Olive, Saugerties, Shandaken, Ulster, Woodstock, And The City Of Kingston – Department Of Planning

**Resolution Summary:**

**Motion No. 9:** **Moved Resolution No. 622 For DISCUSSION**  
**Motion Made By:** Legislator Corcoran  
**Motion Seconded BY:** Legislator Sperry

**Discussion:** None. Hearing none Chair Cahill called the question.

**Voting in Favor:** Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Corcoran, Criswell, Heppner, Maloney, Sperry  
**Voting Against:** None  
**Votes in Favor:** 7  
**Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** **Resolution ADOPTED**

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**Resolution No. 623 -** Setting A Public Hearing On The Sale And/Or Transfer Of Five Parcels Of Land Owned By Ulster County In The Towns Of Lloyd, Plattekill, And Saugerties To The Ulster County Housing Development Corporation – Department Of Planning  
**Resolution Summary:** Sets a public hearing for the sale of 40 Grand St in Lloyd (Highland) – Tax ID # 88.13-12-11.100, 25 Mile Hill Rd in Lloyd (Highland) – Tax ID # 88.17-5-23, 5 Appletree St in the Town of Saugerties – Tax ID # 18.77-7-58, 245 Upper North Rd in Lloyd (Highland) – Tax ID # 87.8-1-5, and 597 Route 44-55 in Plattekill – Tax ID # 95.1-3-32.1 to the Ulster County Housing Development Corporation.

**Motion No. 10:** **Moved Resolution No. 623 For DISCUSSION**  
**Motion Made By:** Legislator Sperry  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Corcoran

**Discussion:** Legislator Maloney questioned the justification taking this property in the first place from people who could not pay their taxes to give to others below area median income. Legislator Maloney also asked if the lottery for these homes would exclude those who do not live in Ulster County. Director Doyle said it would be open to all in the state, but in reality nearly all applicants have historically been County residents. Legislator Hewitt stated that he supports these programs however housing has become so unaffordable that even what is considered ‘affordable’ is out of reach for many workers. Hearing no further discussion, Chair Cahill called the question.

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Cahill, Corcoran, Criswell, Hewitt, Sperry  
**Voting Against:** Maloney  
**Votes in Favor:** 5  
**Votes Against:** 1  
**Disposition:** **Resolution ADOPTED**

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**Resolution No. 624 -** Approving The Work Order With The Dormitory Authority Of The State Of New York (DASNY) For The Design, Testing, And Construction Related To Capital Project No. 486 – Window Replacement Project And Amending The Capital Fund Budget – Ulster County Community College

**Resolution Summary:** Replacing the windows in Vanderlyn and Hardenburgh Halls.

**Resolution No. 626 -** Approving The Work Order With The Dormitory Authority Of The State Of New York (DASNY) For Design Testing And Construction Services For Student Life Center Roof Related To The Capital Project No. 489 – Campus Roofs – Ulster County Community College And Amending The Capital Fund Budget – Ulster County Community College

**Resolution Summary:** Designing the roof structure of the Student Life Center.

**Resolution No. 628 -** Approving The Work Order With The Dormitory Authority Of The State Of New York (DASNY) To Provide The Construction Services For Vanderlyn Hall Main Entry Doorway Replacement, Related To Capital Project No. 493 – Door Replacement And Amending The Capital Fund Budget – Ulster Community College

**Resolution Summary:** Replacing entryway for Vanderlyn Hall.

**Motion No. 11:** **Moved to BLOCK Resolutions No. 624, 626, 626**

**Motion Made By:** Legislator Sperry

**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Hewitt

**Discussion:** Chair Cahill approved on the condition that Resolution 630 was not blocked and discussed separately. All agreed. Hearing no further discussion, Chair Cahill called the question.

**Voting in Favor:** Legislators Cahill, Corcoran, Criswell, Hewitt, Maloney, Sperry

**Voting Against:** None

**Votes in Favor:** 6

**Votes Against:** 0

**Disposition:** **Resolutions BLOCKED**

**Motion No. 12:** **Moved to ADOPT Blocked Resolutions**

**Motion Made By:** Legislator Sperry

**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Corcoran

**Voting in Favor:** Legislators Cahill, Corcoran, Criswell, Hewitt, Maloney, Sperry

**Voting Against:** None

**Votes in Favor:** 6

**Votes Against:** 0

**Disposition:** **Resolutions 624, 625, 626 ADOPTED**

**Resolution No. 630**                      Establishing Capital Project No. 654 – Emergency Preparedness – Amending The Capital Fund Budget – Ulster Community College

**Resolution Summary:**              Plan will address the security at all the entrances to buildings, requiring electronic card access at most points.

**Motion No. 13:**                      **Motion Resolution No. 630 For DISCUSSION**  
**Motion Made By:**                  Legislator Sperry  
**Motion Seconded By:**              Legislator Corcoran

**Discussion:**                          Dr. Buckley elaborated on the plan to enhance security. Hearing no further discussion, Chair Cahill called the question.

**Voting in Favor:**                      Legislators Cahill, Corcoran, Criswell, Hewitt, Maloney, Sperry  
**Voting Against:**                      None  
**Votes in Favor:**                      6  
**Votes Against:**                      0  
**Disposition:**                      **Resolution No. 630 APPROVED**

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**Motion No. 14:**                      **Motion to APPROVE November 1, 2022 Meeting Minutes**  
**Motion Made By:**                  Legislator Hewitt  
**Motion Seconded By:**              Legislator Sperry

**Discussion:**                          None. Hearing none Chair Cahill called the question.

**Voting in Favor:**                      Legislators Cahill, Corcoran, Criswell, Hewitt, Maloney, Sperry  
**Voting Against:**                      None  
**Votes in Favor:**                      6  
**Votes Against:**                      0  
**Disposition:**                      **Minutes APPROVED**

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**Adjournment**

**Motion Made By:**                  Legislator Sperry  
**Motion Seconded By:**              Legislator Criswell  
**No. of Votes in Favor:**              6  
**No. of Votes Against:**              0

**TIME:**                      7:45PM

**Respectfully Submitted:**              Michael Tierney, Senior Legislative Employee  
**Approved:**