

**Energy & Environment Committee
Meeting Minutes**

DATE & TIME: November 30, 2020; 6:15 PM
LOCATION: Powered by Zoom Meeting by Dialing (646) 558-8656,
Meeting ID: 973 5043 8011
PRESIDING OFFICER: Chairwoman Manna Jo Greene
LEGISLATIVE STAFF: Fawn A. Tantillo. Laurie Lichtenstein
PRESENT: Legislators Al Bruno, Peter Criswell, and Laura Petit
ABSENT: Legislator Mary Wawro
QUORUM PRESENT: Yes

OTHER ATTENDEES: David Gordon, Legislative Minority Counsel; Evelyn Wright, Deputy County Executive; Tim DeGraff, Controller, Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency (UCRRA); Simon Strauss and David Haldeman, Environmental Management Council (EMC); Paul Ostrander

Chairwoman Greene called the meeting to order at approximately 6:19 pm and lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion No. 1: **To Approve the Minutes of November 2, 2020**
Motion Made By: Legislator Bruno
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Criswell

Discussion: None

Voting in Favor: Legislators Greene, Bruno, Criswell and Petit
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 4
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Minutes Approved

Resolutions for the December 15, 2020 Session of the Legislature

Resolution No. 242 -Approving Ulster County’s Local Solid Waste Management Plan

Resolution Summary: This resolution will approve a 10-year Local Solid Waste Management Plan

Motion No. 2: **Motion to discuss Resolution No. 242**
Motion By: Legislator Petit
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Criswell

Discussion: See attached transcript.

Motion No. 3: **Motion to Postpone Resolution No. 242**
Motion By: Legislator Petit

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bruno
Voting to Postpone: Legislators Greene, Bruno, Criswell and Petit
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 4
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution Postponed with the consent of the sponsor.**

The committee had a discussion regarding potential funding for a UCRRA Landfill Study and/or increasing the borrowing limit of the UCRRA to fund a landfill study or other proposals outlined in the proposed 10-year Local Solid Waste Management Plan.

Resolution No. 438 – Confirming Appointment Of A Member To The Environmental Management Council

Resolution Summary: Confirming the County Executives appointment of Simon Stauss of Shokan, NY to the EMC for the term from December 15, 2020 thru May 31, 2022 replacing James Mayes who moved to Saugerties.

Motion No. 4: **Motion to Approve Resolution No. 438**
Motion By: Legislator Bruno
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Criswell

Discussion: See Transcript

Voting in Favor: Legislators Greene, Bruno, Criswell and Petit
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 4
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Approved**

Resolution No. 449 – Amending Capital Project No. 519, Ulster County Law Enforcement Center Energy Upgrades – Amending the 2020 Capital Fund Budget – Department of Public Works (Building & Grounds)

Resolution Summary: This resolution would amend the 2020-2025 Ulster County Capital Improvement Project by increasing the funding by \$54,000.00 for a design contract to replace eth Ulster County law Enforcement Center boilers with energy efficient equivalents bringing the total Capital Project to \$685,000.

Motion No. 5: **Motion to discuss Resolution No. 449**
Motion By: Legislator Bruno
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Petit

Discussion: See transcript

Motion No. 5: **Motion to take no action on Resolution No. 449**
Motion By: Legislator Criswell
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Petit

Voting in Favor: Legislators Greene, Bruno, Criswell and Petit
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 4
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **No Action**

Resolution No. 467 – Adopting Proposed Local Law No. 14 Of 2020, A Local Law Amending Local Law No. 17 of 2007, A Local Law To Create The Department Of The Environment And The Office Of Coordinator Of The Department Of The Environment

Resolution Summary: This resolution would adopt a local law designed to change the title of the Office Of Coordinator of the Department of the Environment to the Office of Director of the Department of the Environment.

Motion No. 4: **Motion to Approve Resolution No. 467**
Motion By: Legislator Criswell
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bruno

Discussion: See Transcript

Voting in Favor: Legislators Greene, Bruno, Criswell and Petit
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 4
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Approved**

New Business:

Old Business: Chairwoman Greene gave an update on the work of the Climate Smart Committee and the ad hoc committee working on the Zero Waste Implementation Plan.

Chairwoman Greene asked if there was any other business, hearing none;

Motion to Adjourn
Motion Made By: Legislator Bruno
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Criswell

No. of Votes in Favor: 4
No. of Votes Against: 0
Time: 7:36 PM

Respectfully submitted by: Fawn Tantillo & Laurie Lichtenstein
Minutes Approved: October 5, 2020