

ULSTER COUNTY LEGISLATURE



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AGENDA

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

MONDAY, JANUARY 4, 2024

6:30 PM

Meeting is also available via Livestream: <https://livestream.com/accounts/1512750/events/1824203>

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY VICTORIA A. FABELLA, CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE:

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

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 Meeting.

MICROPHONES

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

ROLL CALL:

Present:

Absent:

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SWEARING IN OF LEGISLATORS

BY THE

**HONORABLE DAVID M. GANDIN
NEW YORK STATE SUPREME COURT JUSTICE, THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT**

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**NOMINATION OF THE TEMPORARY CHAIR OF THE
ULSTER COUNTY LEGISLATURE**

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CHAIR'S ACCEPTANCE

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THE FOLLOWING DESIGNATIONS ARE ON FILE:

Majority Leader – Abe Uchitelle

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Minority Leader – Kevin Roberts

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OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS

**PUBLICATION OF CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS, ELECTION NOTICES ISSUED BY
THE SECRETARY OF STATE, AND THE OFFICIAL CANVASS**

(D) – Daily Freeman
(R) – Southern Ulster Times

PUBLICATION OF LOCAL LAWS AND VARIOUS NOTICES

(D) – Hudson Valley One
(R) – Shawangunk Journal

BIRTHDAYS:

Legislator Gina Hansut, January 12th

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

COMMUNICATIONS FROM:

UC Legislative Chair, Tracey Bartels

Appointed Craig Hightower to the Ulster
County Renewable Energy
Implementation Working Group

Thank you letters to 2023 Audit
Committee Members for their Service

Thank you letters to Climate Smart
Committee Members for their Service

Thank you Letter to Issabella Bassett -
Communities in Action: Building a Better
New York and 2023 American Rescue
Plan Act Project Report

Regis Obijiski appointment to the RRA
Board

COMMUNICATIONS FROM (continued):

NYS Public Service Commission
Edward Jordan, Director of Purchasing

Concern Citizens (6)
Jay Nelson

Stana Weisburd
Ulster County Board Of Health
Ulster County Climate Smart Committee

Ulster County Compliance Committee

Ulster County Dept of Finance Real Property Tax Service

Ulster County Personnel Department
Ulster County Planning Board

Ulster County Tourism
UC Veteran Services Director, Mark A. Cozzupoli

Subsequent Filing – Matter No. 21-0118
RFB-UC23-149C Bridge Replacements
Over Mombaccus Creek Sawkill Creek
Final

Opposed Resolution No. 709 & 710
Mailed- Public Notice – for protection of
25-30 county owned acres south of
Paradies Lane West of South Ohioville
Rd and East of the Thruway

Supporting Resolution No. 425 & 462
Agenda for November 14, 2023
Town of Woodstock Report for
December 2023

Agenda for November 29, 2023 &
Minutes for October 2023

UC IDA PILOT project payment
calculation and billing

Civil Service Announcement
Agenda for January 3, 2024 and Minutes
for December 6, 2023

January 2024 Trending Calendar

Veteran Related Communications

COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS:

Appoints Michael P Hein & Michael
Caslin to the Investment Advisory Board

Appoints Sean Brix, Jana Kantor, Joe
McDole, Tiziana Rinaldi, Dan Whalen To
the Ulster County Workforce
Development Board

UC Executive Jen Metzger Signs \$412M
2024 Ulster County Adopted Budget

COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS (Continue):

UC Legislature Approves Hotel, Motel, & Short-Term Rental Occupancy Tax Increase

UC Executive Metzger's First -In-The-State Decarbonization Capital Reserve Passes Legislature

UC Executive and Chair of the Legislature visit the White House to discuss local impacts of federal Programs

UC County Executive Jen Metzger sends letter to Governor Hochul, WMC Health Urging Prevention of service cuts at Health Alliance Hospital

Ulster County Executive Statement on Supreme Court Decision Re: Comptroller Subpoena

Nominating and Appointing Ken Juras to the position of Director of Budget pending confirmation

UC Executive Jen Metzger Sworn in for First Full Four-Year Term

MEMORIALIZING LETTER:

To Governor Hochul regarding funding for HealthAlliance Hospital

PUBLIC COMMENT (on items currently before the Legislature):

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE:

RESOLUTION NOS: 1 – 6

1	Adoption Of The Rules Of Order
2	Appointing A Clerk Of The Ulster County Legislature
3	Creating Standing Committees For The Year 2024
4	Designation Of Official Newspapers
5	Authorizing The Issuance And Sale Of Up To \$15,000,000.00 Revenue Anticipation Notes Of The County Of Ulster, New York, In Anticipation Of The Collection Or Receipt Of Revenues Estimated To Be Received From Sales And Compensating Use Taxes During The Current Fiscal Year Of Said County
6	Authorizing The Issuance And Sale Of Up To \$20,000,000.00 Tax Anticipation Notes Of The County Of Ulster, New York, In Anticipation Of The Collection Or Receipt Of 2024 Real Property Taxes Based On 2023 Real Property Tax Assessments For The Current Fiscal Year Of Said County

7:00 PM – CALL OF THE PUBLIC HEARING BY CLERK: On Proposed Local Law No. 20 Of 2023, A Local Law Amending Article XIII Collection Of Delinquent Real Property Taxes, Of The Code Of The County Of Ulster, In Relation To Authorization

PUBLIC COMMENT:

PUBLIC HEARING ADJOURNED:

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

MEETING ADJOURNED IN MEMORY OF:

Diane McCord, Esopus
Ralph Post Sr, Marlborough
Gary F Parks, Marlborough
Antoinette Weber, Kingston

Gary F. Parks, Milton
Theodore Humphrey, Sr., Port Ewen
Robert Tomaszewski, Kingston

MEETING ADJOURNED: