# ULSTER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

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## MINUTES

# **JANUARY 9, 2014**

# SPECIAL SESSION

# 7:00 PM

# MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN: 7:02 PM

# PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG: Led by Chairman Parete

# 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**

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**ROLL CALL**: Present: 20

Absent: 3 (Legislators Fabiano, Litts and R. Parete)

PUBLIC COMMENT: There two (2) public commentators.

#### 1. Cory Newton

Mr. Newton addressed the expiration of the 1% Ulster County sales tax and the public adjustment period to the reduction in tax.

#### 2. <u>Allan Wickman</u>

Mr. Wickman commented on the 1% reduction in sales tax and the benefits that could be had by consumers traveling to Ulster County for the savings and the willingness of individuals to travel for the savings. Mr. Wickman recommended informing the public and business entities to promote sales in the community.

Chairman John Parete recognized Minority Leader Ronk for the purposes of a motion, seconded by Majority Leader Gregorius to enter into the Legislature as a Committee of the Whole. Motion passed unanimously.

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**: Majority Leader Gregorius commence the review of Resolutions by the Committee of the Whole.

*Resolution No.* 7 - Approving Home Rule Request For Senate Bill No. S6296 And Assembly Bill No. A7949-B Authorizing Ulster County To Continue The Additional 1% Rate Of Its Sales And Compensating Use Tax For Twenty-Two Additional Months

Legislators Provenzano and Loughran voiced their positions with regard to the Resolution.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 20 NOES: 0 (Absent: Legislators Fabiano, Litts and Richard Parete) MINUTES PAGE 3 JANUARY 9, 2014

**Resolution No. 8** - Amending Resolution No. 286 Of 1968, Adopted February 13, 1969, Imposing Taxes On Sales And Uses Of Tangible Personal Property And Of Certain Services And On Occupancy Of Hotel Rooms And On Amusement Charges, Pursuant To Article 29 Of The Tax Law Of The State Of New York, As Amended By Resolution No. 164 Adopted July 8, 1971, Resolution No. 18 Adopted February 8, 1973, Resolution No. 211 Adopted June 10, 1976, Resolution No. 211 Adopted December 14, 1976, Resolution No. 183 Adopted August 12, 1993, Resolution No. 245 Adopted August 10, 1995, Resolution No. 240 Adopted August 14, 1997, Resolution No. 245 Adopted July 30, 2003, Resolution No. 246 Adopted August 31, 2005, Resolution No. 272

#### ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 20 NOES: 0 (Absent: Legislators Fabiano, Litts and Richard Parete)

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE ADJOURNED**: Motion to adjourn by Minority Leader Gregorius, seconded by Minority Leader Ronk, and with all Legislators voting in favor, the Committee of the Whole adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

### **RESOLUTION NOS: 7-8**

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Legislators Provenzano and Gerentine discussed the Senate activities regarding Senate Bill No. S6296. Legislators Belfiglio, Gregorius, and Rodriguez voiced their positions with regard to the Resolution.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: 20 NOES: 0 (Absent: Legislators Fabiano, Litts and Richard Parete) (Approved by the County Executive) MINUTES PAGE 4 JANUARY 9, 2014

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ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: 20 NOES: 0 (Absent: Legislators Fabiano, Litts and Richard Parete) (Approved by the County Executive)

Chairman Parete thanked Legislator Gerentine and all other Legislators who put in efforts to move these Resolutions forward.

**MEETING ADJOURNED:** 7:40 PM