

**Law Enforcement & Public Safety Committee
Regular Meeting Minutes**

DATE & TIME: November 3, 2022 – 5:00PM
LOCATION: KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston
PRESIDING OFFICER: Chair Abe Uchitelle
LEGISLATIVE STAFF: Fawn Tantillo, Senior Legislative Employee,
Michael Tierney, Senior Legislative Employee
PRESENT: Legislators Hansut, Heppner, Hewitt (left at 6:11PM) & Lopez
ABSENT:
QUORUM PRESENT: Yes

OTHER ATTENDEES: Legislators Erner, Petit, Stewart; Ulster County Sheriff Juan Figueroa; Ulster County District Attorney David Clegg; Deputy County Executive Chris Kelly; Probation Director Nancy Schmidt; Probation Deputy Director Valerie Naccarato; Planning Director Dennis Doyle

Chair Uchitelle called the meeting to order at 5:03PM.

Chair Uchitelle Recognized Ulster County Sheriff Figueroa to give his FY2023 Budget Presentation.

Chair Uchitelle Recognized District Attorney Clegg to give his FY2023 Budget Presentation.

Chair Uchitelle Recognized Probation Director Nancy Schmidt to give her FY2023 Budget Presentation.

Motion No. 1: **Moved to APPROVE the Minutes of the October 6, 2022 Meeting of the Law Enforcement & Public Safety Committee**

Motion by: Legislator Heppner
Motion Seconded by: Legislator Hansut

Discussion: None.

Voting in Favor: Legislators Hansut, Heppner, Hewitt, Lopez & Uchitelle
Voting Against: None.
Votes in Favor: 5
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Minutes APPROVED**

Resolutions for the November 15, 2022 Session of the Legislature

Resolution No. 189: Establishing A Policy Prohibiting The Housing Of Incarcerated **Individuals** Transferred From Facilities Outside Of Ulster County, ~~The “No More Incarceration For Profit Policy”~~ The Ulster County Board-In Policy

Resolution Summary: Requires the Ulster County Sheriff to report the transfer of incarcerated individuals.

Motion No. 2 **Moved for DISCUSSION**

Motion By: Legislator Heppner

Seconded By: Legislator Hewitt

Discussion: Chair Uchitelle noted he was no longer a Sponsor of the Resolution. Legislator Erner stated that the current resolution does not really indicate its original intention as he envisioned and would be comfortable with postponement.

Motion No. 3 **Motion to POSTPONE Resolution No. 189**

Motion By: Legislator Heppner

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Hewitt

Voting in Favor: Legislators Hansut, Heppner, Hewitt, Lopez & Uchitelle

Voting Against: None.

Votes in Favor: 5

Votes Against: 0

Disposition: **Resolution POSTPONED**

Resolution No. 495: Supporting NYS Clean Slate Act – A6399A and S1553B

Resolution Summary: Memorializing Resolution urging the State Legislature to pass A6399A/S1553B

Motion No. 4: **Moved for DISCUSSION**

Motion By: Legislator Heppner

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Hewitt

Discussion: None.

Motion No. 5: **Motion to POSTPONE Resolution No. 495**

Motion By: Legislator Heppner

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Hansut

Voting In Favor: Legislators Hansut, Heppner, Hewitt & Uchitelle

Voting Against: None
Votes In Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0

Disposition: **Resolution POSTPONED**

Resolution No. 509: Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 11 Of 2022, A Local Law Amending Local Law Number 10 Of 2007 Chapter 166 Of The Code Of The County Of Ulster Providing For The Administration And Enforcement Of The New York State Uniform Fire Prevention And Building Code, To Be Held On Tuesday December 20, 2022 AT 7:05PM.

Resolution Summary: The resolution sets a Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law No. 11 Of 2022, amending Local Law Number 10 Of 2007 Chapter 166 Of the County Code, which will provide for the administration and enforcement of the New York State Uniform Fire Prevention And Building Code, to be held on Tuesday, December 20, 2022 At 7:05PM.

Motion No. 6: **Moved for DISCUSSION**

Motion By: Legislator Hewitt
Seconded By: Legislator Heppner

Discussion: Chair Uchitelle highlighted some of the proposed changes to the law.

Voting in Favor: Legislators Hansut, Heppner, Hewitt, Lopez & Uchitelle
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 5
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution ADOPTED**

Resolution No. 555: Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute A Lease Agreement With Tappen House Development LLC For Office Space For The Office OF The Ulster County District Attorney – Ulster County Department Of Public Works – Buildings And Grounds

Resolution Summary: Leasing office space for the District Attorney at 273 Wall Street in Kingston.

Motion No. 7: **Moved for DISCUSSION**

Motion By: Legislator Heppner
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Hansut

Discussion: Deputy County Executive Kelly explained the need to expand the District Attorney's office.

Voting in Favor: Legislators Hansut, Heppner, Hewitt, Lopez & Uchitelle

Voting Against: None

Votes in Favor: 5

Votes Against: 0

Disposition: **Resolution APPROVED**

Resolution No. 556: Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute A Contract With The New York State Division Of Criminal Justice – Sexual Assault Crisis And Prevention Program – Department Of Probation

Resolution Summary: Amendment to existing contract with State Division of Criminal Justice Services to continue the Sexual Assault Crisis and Prevention Program, extending contract to September 30, 2023 and increasing the amount by \$75,430.

Motion No. 8: **Moved for DISCUSSION**

Motion By: Legislator Hewitt

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Hansut

Discussion: None.

Voting in Favor: Legislators Hansut, Heppner, Hewitt, Lopez & Uchitelle

Voting Against: None

Votes in Favor: 5

Votes Against: 0

Disposition: **Resolution APPROVED**

Resolution No. 557: Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$67,106.00 Entered Into By The County – Family Of Woodstock, Inc – Department Of Probation

Resolution Summary: Contract for the EVOLVE Program with provides intimate partner violence counseling.

Motion No. 9: **Moved for DISCUSSION**

Motion By: Legislator Heppner

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Hewitt
Discussion: None.
Voting in Favor: Legislators Hansut, Heppner, Hewitt, Lopez & Uchitelle
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 6
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution APPROVED**

Resolution No. 558: Requesting The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Authorize Acceptance Of The MOU For The Ulster Regional Gang Enforcement Narcotics Team (U.R.G.E.N.T.) – Sheriff’s Office

Resolution Summary: Reauthorizing the Sheriff’s Department to collaborate with the Towns of Lloyd, Plattekill, Woodstock, New Paltz, Shandaken and Ellenville to address narcotics in Ulster County.

Motion No. 10: **Moved for DISCUSSION**

Motion By: Legislator Hansut
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Heppner

Discussion: The Sheriff noted that the section allowing juveniles to act as confidential informants has been removed.

Voting in Favor: Legislators Hansut, Heppner, Hewitt, Lopez & Uchitelle
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 6
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution APPROVED AS AMENDED**

Resolution No. 559: Requesting The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute AN Agreement With The Town Of Ulster For The Use Of The Ulster Firearms Range – Ulster County Sheriff

Resolution Summary: Agreement for the year 2023.

Motion No. 11: **Motion for DISCUSSION**

Motion By: Legislator Hewitt
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Heppner

Discussion: None.
Voting in Favor: Legislators Hansut, Heppner, Hewitt, Lopez & Uchitelle
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 6
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution APPROVED**

Resolution No. 560: Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute an MOU Between The Sheriff's Office's Ulster County Emergency Response Team (UCERT) Division And Local Municipalities – Ulster County Sheriff

Resolution Summary: Agreement between Ulster Sheriff, Town of Woodstock, Town of New Paltz, and SUNY New Paltz to collaborate as the Ulster County Emergency Response Team (UCERT).

Motion No. 12: **Motion for DISCUSSION**

Motion By: Legislator Heppner
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Hewitt

Discussion: None

Voting in Favor: Legislators Hansut, Heppner, Hewitt, Lopez & Uchitelle

Voting Against: None

Votes in Favor: 6

Votes Against: 0

Disposition: **Motion APPROVED**

Resolution No. 561: Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature TO Accept Award For BJA FY22 Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, And Substance Abuse Site-Based Program Grant – Ulster County Sheriff

Resolution Summary: Federal pass-through grant funding ORACLE through 2025.

Motion No. 13: **Motion for DISCUSSION**

Motion By: Legislator Hansut
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Heppner

Discussion: None.

Voting in Favor: Legislators Hansut, Heppner, Hewitt, Lopez & Uchitelle
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 6
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution APPROVED**

Resolution No. 562: Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Transfer Insurance Funds From Revenue To Expenditure And Amend the 2022 Budget – Ulster County Sheriff

Resolution Summary: Insurance check for \$51,496 following the totaling of a sheriff's vehicle in a collision on March 7, 2022.

Motion No. 14: **Motion for DISCUSSION**

Motion By: Legislator Heppner
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Hansut

Discussion: None.

Voting in Favor: Legislators Hansut, Heppner, Hewitt, Lopez & Uchitelle
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 6
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution APPROVED**

Resolution No. 563: Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$17,850.00, Causing The Aggregate Contract Plus Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00, Entered Into By The County – Public Safety Psychology, PLLC – Ulster County Sheriff

Resolution Summary: Extends term of agreement through 2023 and increase funding for pre-employment psychological evaluations for applicants to the Sheriff's Department.

Motion No. 15: **Motion for DISCUSSION**

Motion By: Legislator Hansut
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Heppner

Discussion: None

Voting in Favor: Legislators Hansut, Heppner, Hewitt, Lopez & Uchitelle
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 6
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution APPROVED**

Resolution No. 564: Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The New York State Division Of Homeland Security And Emergency Services For FY22 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) – Amending The 2022 Ulster County Budget – Emergency Communications/ Emergency Management

Resolution Summary: Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services for the purposes of enhancing capacity of the Sheriff’s Department, Emergency Services and Health Department to respond to man-made and natural hazard events.

Motion No. 16 **Motion for DISCUSSION**

Motion By: Legislator Hansut
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Heppner

Discussion: None

Voting in Favor: Legislators Hansut, Heppner, Hewitt, Lopez & Uchitelle
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 6
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution APPROVED**

Resolution No. 565: Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute A Participation Agreement With The New York State Division Of Homeland Security And Emergency Services For FY22 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) – Amending The 2022 Ulster County Budget – Emergency Communication/ Emergency Management

Resolution No. 566: Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The New York State Division Of Homeland Security And Emergency Services For Participation In The 2021-2022 Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) Operations Grant – Emergency Communications/ Emergency Management

Resolution No. 567: Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The New York State Division Of Homeland Security And Emergency Services, Office Of Interoperable And Emergency Communications For The 2021 Statewide Interoperable Communications Grant – Amending The 2022 Ulster County Budget – Department Of Emergency Communications/ Emergency Management

Resolution 568: Amending Capital Project No. 482 – Countywide Radio System – Amending The 2022 Capital Fund Budget Department Of Emergency Communications / Emergency Management

Motion No. 17: **Motion to Block Resolutions 565, 566, 567, 568**

Motion By: Legislator Heppner

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Hewitt

Voting in Favor: Legislators Hansut, Heppner, Hewitt, Lopez & Uchitelle

Voting Against: None

Votes in Favor: 6

Votes Against: 0

Disposition: **Motion APPROVED**

Motion No. 18: **Motion to ADOPTED Blocked Resolutions**

Motion By: Legislator Heppner

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Hewitt

Voting in Favor: Legislators Hansut, Heppner, Hewitt, Lopez & Uchitelle

Voting Against: None

Votes in Favor: 6

Votes Against: 0

Disposition: **Blocked Resolutions APPROVED**

Resolution No. 570: Confirming Appointments Of Members TO The Traffic Safety Board

Resolution Summary: Executive appointment of Rose Quinn of Kingston and Stephen Rice of Accord.

Motion No. 19: **Motion for DISCUSSION**

Motion By: Legislator Heppner
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Hewitt

Discussion: None.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Hansut, Heppner, Hewitt, Lopez & Uchitelle
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 6
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution APPROVED**

Chair Uchitelle asked the members if there was any other business.

Legislator Erner inquired with Probation Director Schmidt questions regarding STOP DWI.

Adjournment

Motion Made By: Legislator Heppner
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Hansut
No. of Votes in Favor: 5
No. of Votes Against: 0

TIME: 6:24PM

Respectfully Submitted: Michael Tierney, Senior Legislative Employee
Approved: December 8, 2022