

**Laws & Rules, Governmental Services Committee
Regular Meeting Minutes**

DATE & TIME: March 16, 2020 – 6:00 PM
LOCATION: KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building
PRESIDING OFFICER: Deputy Chair Roberts
LEGISLATIVE STAFF: Jay Mahler, Deputy Clerk
PRESENT: Legislators Donaldson, Gavaris & Heppner
ABSENT: None
QUORUM PRESENT: Yes

OTHER ATTENDEES: Legislative Counsel Ragucci, Minority Counsel Pascale (via teleconference)

Deputy Chair Roberts called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Motion No. 1: Moved to **APPROVE Minutes of the February 13, 2020 meeting**

Motion By: Legislator Donaldson
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Heppner

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Donaldson, Gavaris, Heppner & Roberts
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Minutes APPROVED**

Resolutions for the March 17, 2020 Session of the Legislature

Resolution No. 7: Adopting The Ulster County Code Of Conduct

Resolution Summary: This resolution adopts the Ulster County Code of Conduct

Deputy Chair Roberts advised the members that the sponsor, Legislator Bartels, was not present and had indicated her intention to have the Resolution postponed.

Motion No. 2: **Motion to POSTPONE Resolution No. 7**

Motion By: Legislator Donaldson
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Heppner

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Donaldson, Gavaris, Heppner & Roberts
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution POSTPONED**

Resolution No. 84: Confirming Appointment Of A Member To The Ulster County Board Of Ethics

Resolution Summary: This resolution confirms the appointment of Gerald Benjamin to the Ulster County Board of Ethics for a term to expire on December 31, 2021.

Motion No. 3: **Resolution No. 84 MOVED FOR DISCUSSION**
Motion By: Legislator Donaldson
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Heppner

Discussion:
Deputy Chair Roberts asked if there was any discussion on the Resolution, and hearing none called the question.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Donaldson, Gavaris, Heppner & Roberts
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution ADOPTED**

Resolution No. 100: Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 2 Of 2020, A Local Law Establishing Construction Apprenticeship Training Requirements For Certain Construction Contracts In Excess Of \$350,000, And Repealing Local Law Number 2 Of 2015, To Be Held On Tuesday, April 14, 2020 At 6:05 PM

Resolution Summary: This resolution sets a public hearing on Tuesday, April 14, 2020 at 6:05 PM for the purpose of allowing the public to offer comments on Proposed Local Law No. 2 Of 2020

Motion No. 4: **Resolution No. 100 MOVED FOR DISCUSSION**
Motion By: Legislator Donaldson
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Heppner

Discussion:
The members discussed changing the public hearing date to May considering the developing situation with the COVID-19 virus and recent Executive Order by the Governor to limit meetings and gatherings of more than ten people.

Motion No. 5: **MOVED TO AMEND Resolution No. 100 to change the public hearing date to Tuesday, May 12, 2020**

Motion By: Legislator Donaldson
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Heppner

Discussion:

Deputy Chair Roberts asked if there was any further discussion on the Resolution, and hearing none called the question.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Donaldson, Gavaris, Heppner & Roberts
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution ADOPTED AS AMENDED**

Resolution No. 127: Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 3 Of 2020, A Local Law Amending Local Law No. 2 Of 2006 (A Local Law Adopting A County Charter Form Of Government For The County Of Ulster, State Of New York) And Amending Local Law No. 10 Of 2008 (A Local Law Adopting An Administrative Code For The County Of Ulster, State Of New York), To Require Submission Of Departmental Budget Estimates From Elected Officials And Department Heads To The Legislature, To Be Held On Tuesday, April 14, 2020 At 6:10 PM

Resolution Summary: This resolution sets a public hearing on Tuesday, April 14, 2020 at 6:10 PM for the purpose of allowing the public to offer comments on Proposed Local Law No. 3 Of 2020

Motion No. 6: **Resolution No. 127 MOVED FOR DISCUSSION**
Motion By: Legislator Heppner
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Donaldson

Discussion:

The members discussed changing the public hearing date to May as was done with the previous Resolution.

Motion No. 7: **MOVED TO AMEND Resolution No. 127 to change the public hearing date to Tuesday, May 12, 2020**

Motion By: Legislator Heppner
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Donaldson

Discussion:

Deputy Chair Roberts asked if there was any further discussion on the Resolution, and hearing none called the question.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Donaldson, Gavaris, Heppner & Roberts
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution ADOPTED AS AMENDED**

LATE Resolution No. 144: Reappointing Commissioner of Elections

Resolution Summary: This resolution confirms the appointment of Ashley Dittus as the Democratic Commissioner of the Ulster County Board of Elections.

Motion No. 8: **Resolution No. 144 MOVED FOR DISCUSSION**
Motion By: Legislator Donaldson
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Heppner

Discussion:
Deputy Chair Roberts asked if there was any discussion on the Resolution, and hearing none called the question.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Donaldson, Gavaris, Heppner & Roberts
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution ADOPTED**

LATE Resolution No. 145: Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute A Lease Agreement With O&W Station LLC. - Department Of Public Works (Buildings And Grounds)

Resolution Summary: This resolution authorizes the Chair to execute a lease agreement with O&W Station LLC., 411 Washington Avenue, Suite 201, Kingston, NY 12401, for offices located 51 Hurley Avenue, Kingston, NY 12401, to house the Family & Child Advocacy Center for a term of five (5) years commencing April 1, 2020 through March 31, 2025, at a cost of \$56,576.00 for the first year of the lease with annual adjustments each year thereafter.

Motion No. 9: **Resolution No. 145 MOVED FOR DISCUSSION**
Motion By: Legislator Donaldson
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Heppner

Discussion:
Deputy Chair Roberts asked if there were any questions on the Resolution, and hearing none called the question.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Donaldson, Gavaris, Heppner & Roberts
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution ADOPTED**

Deputy Chair Roberts thanked the members for attending the brief meeting and asked if there was any other business, and hearing none;

Adjournment

Motion Made By: Legislator Donaldson

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Gavaris

No. of Votes in Favor: 4

No. of Votes Against: 0

TIME: 6:03 PM

Deputy Chair Roberts announced for the record that Legislator Ronk arrived after adjournment.

Respectfully submitted: Jay Mahler, Deputy Clerk

Minutes Approved: April 27, 2020