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MINUTES

DECEMBER 6, 2023

SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE SESSION: PROPOSED 2024 ULSTER COUNTY BUDGET & PROPOSED 2024 – 2029 ULSTER COUNTY CAPTAL PROGRAM

6:00 PM

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY CHAIR: 6:27 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG: Led by Chairwoman Tracey A. Bartels.

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

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MICROPHONES

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

ROLL CALL: Present: 21 Absent: 2 (Legislators Corcoran, Litts)

6:00 PM - CALL OF THE 1st PUBLIC HEARING BY CLERK: 6:29 PM

On Proposed Local Law No. 16 Of 2023, A Local Law Amending The Ulster County Charter, (Local Law No. 2 Of 2006), And Amending The Administrative Code For The County Of Ulster, (Local Law No. 10 Of 2008), To Modify Various Provisions

PUBLIC COMMENT: There were (6) Speakers signed up for public comment and all speakers were against proposed Local Law No. 16 of 2023.

- 1. <u>Donald B. Donaldson, Kingston</u>: Opposed change to Planning Director Appointment
- 2. Fawn Tanitllo, New Paltz: Highlighted typos and against approval timeline
- 3. <u>Michael Baden, Rochester</u>: Against Proposed Local Law No. 16 of 2023, feels that the body is rushing on voting on this local law.
- 4. <u>Comptroller March Gallagher:</u> Against Proposed Local Law No. 16 of 2023, process is being rushed and lack of transparency.
- 5. <u>Drew Boggess, Olive:</u> Against Proposed Local Law No. 16 of 2023.
- 6. <u>Lynn Bailey, Hurley, Deputy Town Clerk, Hurley:</u> Opposed to changes, especially pertaining to the Planning Board.

PUBLIC HEARING ADJOURNED: 6:45 PM

Motion Made by Minority Leader Ronk, Seconded by Majority Leader Heppner to adjourn the public hearing. All in favor.

6:10 PM - CALL OF THE 2nd PUBLIC HEARING BY CLERK: 6:45 PM

On Proposed Local Law No. 17 Of 2023, A Local Law Amending The Ulster County Charter, (Local Law No. 2 Of 2006), And Amending The Administrative Code For The County Of Ulster, (Local Law No. 10 Of 2008), To Modify Various Provisions

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PUBLIC COMMENT: There was (1) Speaker signed up for public comment.

1. Fawn Tantillo: Against Proposed Local Law No. 17

PUBLIC HEARING ADJOURNED: 6:47 PM

Motion Made by Minority Leader Ronk, Seconded Legislator Fabiano to adjourn the public hearing. All in favor.

6:20 PM - CALL OF THE 3rd PUBLIC HEARING BY CLERK: 6:48 PM

On Proposed Local Law No. 19 Of 2023, A Local Law Amending Article III Hotel And Motel Room Occupancy Tax Of The Code Of The County Of Ulster

PUBLIC COMMENT: There was (8) Speaker signed up for public comment.

- 1. <u>Steve Turk:</u> Against Proposed Local Law No. 19 of 2023
- 2. Samantha Turk: Against Proposed Local Law No. 19 of 2023
- 3. Andrew Chafattelli: Against Proposed Local Law No. 19 of 2023
- 4. Rachel Gans, Bloomington: In favor of Proposed Local Law No. 19 of 2023
- 5. Rose Quinn, Kingston: In favor of Proposed Local Law No. 19 of 2023
- 6. Ian Seda, Town of Kingston: In favor of Proposed Local Law No. 19 of 2023
- 7. Tom Smiley, Marbletown: Against Proposed Local Law No. 19 of 2023
- 8. Ann Ames, Kingston: In favor of Proposed Local Law No. 19 of 2023

PUBLIC HEARING ADJOURNED: 7:09 PM

Motion Made by Minority Leader Ronk, Seconded Majority Leader Heppner to adjourn the public hearing. All in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENT (on items currently before the Legislature): There were (4) speakers signed up for public comment.

- 1. Howard Baul, Wawarsing: Spoke in regard to CSEA
- 2. Caleb Frank, Shoken: Proposed Amendment No. 17 funding for Climate Smart Schools.
- 3. Lynn Bailey, Hurley: Proposed Amendment No. 17 -funding for Climate Smart Schools

4. <u>Frank Banks, Esopus</u>: Budget Amendment No. 10 – extending participation in the NYS Hunting Pilot Program for 12–13-Year-Old Deer Hunters.

<u>Please Note</u>: Complete content of the public comment period can be heard on the Ulster County Legislative Website.

RESOLUTION NOS: 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684

A motion was made by Majority Leader Heppner, seconded by Minority Leader Ronk to Block Amendment Nos. 1-4, 10,12,16,33,34,35,37, 41 and 51. All in favor.

678	Ratification Of Tax Rolls
	ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:
	AYES: 21 NOES: 0 (Absent: Legislators, Corcoran, Litts)
679	Levy For Unpaid Sewer Rents
	ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:
	AYES: 21 NOES: 0 (Absent: Legislators, Corcoran, Litts)
680	Levy For Unpaid Water Rents
	ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:
	AYES: 21 NOES: 0 (Absent: Legislators, Corcoran, Litts)
681	Approving Completed Tax Rolls And Directing The Execution Of Delivery Of Warrants
	ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:
	AYES: 21 NOES: 0 (Absent: Legislators, Corcoran, Litts)

Adopting the Ulster County Budget For Fiscal Year Commencing January 1, 2024 And Making Appropriations For The Conduct Of County Government

ADOPTED AS AMENDED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 18 NOES: 3

(Noes: Legislators Maloney, Petit, and Roberts)

(Absent: Legislators Corcoran and Litts)

Legislator Heppner motioned, seconded by Legislator Ronk, to adopt Proposed Amendment Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 10, 12, 16, 33, 34, 35, 37, 41, and 51 as official amendments to the Proposed 2024 Ulster County Budget; Amendment Nos. 1 through 13 as presented in the attached exhibit.

MOTION ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 21 NOES: 0

(Absent: Legislators Corcoran and Litts)

Legislator Heppner motioned, seconded by Legislator Ronk, to adopt Proposed Amendment No. 14 as the next official amendment to the Proposed 2024 Ulster County Budget; Amendment No. 14 as presented in the attached exhibit.

MOTION ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 20 NOES: 1

(Noes: Legislator Erner)

(Absent: Legislators Corcoran and Litts)

Legislator Heppner motioned, seconded by Legislator Ronk, to adopt Proposed Amendment No. 15 as the next official amendment to the Proposed 2024 Ulster County Budget; Amendment No. 15 as presented in the attached exhibit.

MOTION ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 20 NOES: 1

(Noes: Legislator Erner)

(Absent: Legislators Corcoran and Litts)

Legislator Heppner motioned, seconded by Legislator Ronk, to adopt Proposed Amendment No. 32 as the next official amendment to the Proposed 2024 Ulster County Budget; Amendment No. 16 as presented in the attached exhibit.

MOTION ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 18 NOES: 2 (Noes: Legislators Green and Petit) (1 Abstention: Legislator Maloney) (Absent: Legislators Corcoran and Litts)

Legislator Heppner motioned, seconded by Legislator Ronk, to adopt Proposed Amendment No. 40 as the next official amendment to the Proposed 2024 Ulster County Budget; Amendment No. 17 as presented in the attached exhibit.

MOTION ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 13 NOES: 8

(Noes: Legislators Cahill, Gavaris, Nolan, Fabiano, Hansut, Lopez, Roberts, and Ronk)

(1 Abstention: Legislator Maloney) (Absent: Legislators Corcoran and Litts)

Legislator Heppner motioned, seconded by Legislator Ronk, to adopt Proposed Amendment Nos. 36 and 42 as amended as the next official amendments to the Proposed 2024 Ulster County Budget; Amendment Nos. 18 and 19 as presented in the attached exhibit.

MOTION ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 21 NOES: 0

(Absent: Legislators Corcoran and Litts)

Legislator Heppner motioned, seconded by Legislator Ronk, to adopt Proposed Amendment No. 13 as the next official amendment to the Proposed 2024 Ulster County Budget; Amendment No. 20 as presented in the attached exhibit.

MOTION ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 16 NOES: 5
(Noes: Legislators Fabiano, Hansut, Lopez, Roberts, and Ronk)
(Absent: Legislators Corcoran and Litts)

Legislator Heppner motioned, seconded by Legislator Ronk, to adopt Proposed Amendment No. 45 as the next official amendment to the Proposed 2024 Ulster County Budget; Amendment No. 21 as presented in the attached exhibit.

MOTION ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 16 NOES: 5
(Noes: Legislators Fabiano, Hansut, Lopez, Roberts and Ronk)
(Absent: Legislators Corcoran and Litts)

Legislator Heppner motioned, seconded by Legislator Ronk, to adopt Proposed Amendment No. 50 as the next official amendment to the Proposed 2024 Ulster County Budget; Amendment No. 22 as presented in the attached exhibit.

MOTION ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 16 NOES: 5
(Noes: Legislators Fabiano, Hansut, Lopez, Roberts, and Ronk)
(Absent: Legislators Corcoran and Litts)

Legislator Criswell motioned, seconded by Legislator Heppner, to adopt Proposed Amendment No. 6A as the next official amendment to the Proposed 2024 Ulster County Budget; Amendment No. 23 as presented in the attached exhibit.

MOTION ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 15 NOES: 6

(Noes: Legislators Fabiano, Hansut, Lopez, Maloney,

Roberts, and Ronk)

(Absent: Legislators Corcoran and Litts

Legislator Petit motioned, seconded by Legislator Heppner, to adopt Proposed Amendment No. 6 as the next official amendment to the Proposed 2024 Ulster County Budget.

MOTION DEFEATED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 5 NOES: 16

(Ayes: Legislators Erner, Hewitt, Maloney, Petit, and

Stewart)

(Absent: Legislators Corcoran and Litts)

Legislator Petit motioned, seconded by Legislator Heppner, to adopt Proposed Amendment No. 7 as the next official amendment to the Proposed 2024 Ulster County Budget.

MOTION DEFEATED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 2 NOES: 19 (Ayes: Legislators Maloney and Petit) (Absent: Legislators Corcoran and Litts)

Legislator Levine motioned, seconded by Legislator Ronk, to adopt Proposed Amendment No. 11 as amended as the next official amendment to the Proposed 2024 Ulster County Budget; Amendment No. 24 as presented in the attached exhibit.

MOTION ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 19 NOES: 2

(Noes: Legislators Bartels and Gavaris) (Absent: Legislators Corcoran and Litts)

Legislator Greene motioned, seconded by Legislator Stewart, to adopt Proposed Amendment No. 17 as the next official amendment to the Proposed 2024 Ulster County Budget.

MOTION DEFEATED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 6 NOES: 15

(Ayes: Legislators Erner, Greene, Hewitt, Maloney,

Petit, and Stewart)

(Absent: Legislators Corcoran and Litts)

Legislator Hewitt motioned, seconded by Legislator Ronk, to adopt Proposed Amendment No. 19 as the next official amendment to the Proposed 2024 Ulster County Budget; Amendment No. 25 as presented in the attached exhibit.

MOTION ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 13 NOES: 8

(Noes: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Fabiano, Gavaris,

Heppner, Lopez, Nolan, and Ronk) (Absent: Legislators Corcoran and Litts)

Legislator Erner motioned, seconded by Legislator Heppner, to adopt Proposed Amendment No. 23 as the next official amendment to the Proposed 2024 Ulster County Budget.

MOTION DEFEATED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 5 NOES: 16

(Ayes: Legislators Criswell, Erner, Greene, Hewitt, and

Stewart)

(Absent: Legislators Corcoran and Litts)

Legislator Erner motioned, seconded by Legislator Heppner, to adopt Proposed Amendment No. 27 as the next official amendment to the Proposed 2024 Ulster County Budget.

MOTION DEFEATED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 2 NOES: 19

(Ayes: Legislators Erner and Maloney) (Absent: Legislators Corcoran and Litts)

Legislator Erner motioned, seconded by Legislator Heppner, to adopt Proposed Amendment No. 28 as the next official amendment to the Proposed 2024 Ulster County Budget.

MOTION DEFEATED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 2 NOES: 19

(Ayes: Legislators Erner and Maloney) (Absent: Legislators Corcoran and Litts) Legislator Erner motioned, seconded by Legislator Heppner, to adopt Proposed Amendment No. 30 as the next official amendment to the Proposed 2024 Ulster County Budget.

MOTION DEFEATED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 2 NOES: 19 (Ayes: Legislators Erner and Maloney) (Absent: Legislators Corcoran and Litts)

Legislator Nolan motioned, seconded by Legislator Heppner, to adopt Proposed Amendment No. 46 as the next official amendment to the Proposed 2024 Ulster County Budget; Amendment No. 26 as presented in the attached exhibit.

MOTION ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 13 NOES: 8

(Noes: Legislators Cahill, Fabiano, Gavaris, Hansut

Lopez, Maloney, Petit, and Ronk)

(Absent: Legislators Corcoran and Litts)

Legislator Petit motioned, seconded by Legislator Heppner, to adopt Proposed Amendment No. 47 as the next official amendment to the Proposed 2024 Ulster County Budget.

MOTION DEFEATED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 8 NOES: 13

(Ayes: Legislators Erner, Gavaris, Greene, Hewitt,

Maloney, Petit, Roberts and Stewart) (Absent: Legislators Corcoran and Litts)

Legislator Petit motioned, seconded by Legislator Heppner, to adopt Proposed Amendment No. 48 as the next official amendment to the Proposed 2024 Ulster County Budget.

MOTION DEFEATED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 8 NOES: 13

(Ayes: Legislators Erner, Fabiano, Greene, Hansut,

Heppner, Maloney, Petit, and Stewart) (Absent: Legislators Corcoran and Litts)

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	Legislator Maloney motioned, seconded by Legislator Heppner, to adopt Proposed Amendment No. 52 as the next official amendment to the Proposed 2024 Ulster County Budget.
	MOTION DEFEATED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:
	AYES: 6 NOES: 15 (Ayes: Legislators Erner, Greene, Maloney, Petit, Roberts, and Stewart) (Absent: Legislators Corcoran and Litts)
683	Adopting Ulster County Capital Program For 2024 – 2029
	ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE: AYES: 19 NOES: 3 (Noes: Legislator Gavaris, Maloney & Petit) (Absent: Legislators, Corcoran, Litts)
684	Approving The Advancement Of Capital Projects For The Ulster County Community College – Ulster County Community College
	ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:
	AYES: 21 NOES: 0 (Absent: Legislators, Corcoran, Litts)

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

There was no speaker signed up for public comment.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 9:14 PM

Motion Made by Minority Leader Ronk Seconded by Majority Leader Heppner MINUTES PAGE 12 DECEMBER 6, 2023

NEXT MEETING:

The next Regular Meeting of the Ulster County Legislature will be held on **Monday, December 18, 2023 at 6:30 PM** in the Legislative Chambers, Sixth Floor, Ulster County Office Building, 244 Fair Street, Kingston, New York.





PUBLIC COMMENT: (SUBJECTS CURRENTLY BEFORE THE LEGISLATURE)

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ULSTER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

AMENDING THE ULSTER COUNTY CHARTER, (LOCAL LAW NO. 2 OF 2006), AND 1ST PUBLIC HEARING: ON PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO. 16 OF 2023, A LOCAL LAW No. 10 OF 2008), TO MODIFY VARIOUS PROVISIONS AMENDING THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE FOR THE COUNTY OF ULSTER, (LOCAL LAW

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2ND PUBLIC HEARING: ON PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO. 17 OF 2023, A LOCAL LAW AMENDING THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE FOR THE COUNTY OF ULSTER, AMENDING THE ULSTER COUNTY CHARTER, (LOCAL LAW NO. 2 OF 2006), AND (LOCAL LAW NO. 10 OF 2008), TO MODIFY VARIOUS PROVISIONS

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3RD PUBLIC HEARING: ON PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO. 19 OF 2023, A LOCAL LAW AMENDING ARTICLE III HOTEL AND MOTEL ROOM OCCUPANCY TAX OF THE CODE OF THE COUNTY OF ULSTER

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