

ULSTER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

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MINUTES

OCTOBER 17, 2017

REGULAR MEETING & PUBLIC HEARING

7:00 PM

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN: 7:18 PM

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

Led by Chairman Kenneth J. Ronk, Jr.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OCTOBER SESSION THEME: BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

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 Public Hearing and Session.

MICROPHONES

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

ROLL CALL: Present: 20 Absent: 3 (Legislators Thomas Briggs, James Delaune, Craig Lopez)

Note: Legislators Briggs and Lopez arrived at 7:31 PM

7:00 PM - **CALL OF THE PUBLIC HEARING BY CLERK:** On Naming A County-Owned Asset

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

1. Lynn Deener: Ms. Deener on behalf of her entire family thanked the Legislature and everyone involved for honoring her father Stewart Crowell posthumously by naming the Wallkill Bridge in the Town of Shawangunk, New York the “Stewart Crowell Bridge.”

Legislator Herbert Litts III motioned, seconded by Minority Leader Hector Rodriguez to adjourn. All in favor.

PUBLIC HEARING ADJOURNED: 7:22 PM

BIRTHDAYS:

Legislator, Craig Lopez, October 30th

MOTION TO DISPENSE WITH THE READING OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Minority Leader Hector Rodriguez motioned, seconded by Majority Leader Mary Beth Maio to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting. All in favor.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM:

Ulster County Chairman

UC Legislator Kevin Roberts
NYS Dept. of Taxation & Finance

State of New York Department of State

Mid-Hudson Street Light Consortium
Catskill Forest Association, Inc.

NYS Dept. of Public Service
Hudson Valley Pattern For Progress

Mr. Peter Baker
Peter Baker & LeRoy Hogan
LeRoy Hogan, Living History Re-enactor
UC Fire Advisory Board
Town of Woodstock, Plan Committee
County News
UC Industrial Development Agency

UC Dept. of Public Works

UC Soil & Water Conservation District

Catskill Mountain Railroad
Shadowland Artists, Inc.
UC Tourism Department
ProAct Inc.
UC Resource Recovery Agency

JFS of Ulster County
The Kildonan School, Evelyn Whitebay

Press Release, UC Human Rights Law
Press Release, Accessibility For All
Human Rights Task Force, 1st Mtg. 10/24
NYD DOT Request For Traffic Study
2017 Certified State Equalization Rates
Receipt of Local Law No. 4 of 2017
Receipt of Local Law No. 4 of 2017 Filed
On September 6, 2017
Third Qtr. Steering Committee Mtg. 9/18
2017 Annual Membership Mtg. 10/14/17
CFA News Fall 2017 Vol. 35 No. 4
Meeting Agenda 10/14/2017
Central Hudson Public Hearings- Increase
Annual Members Meeting 11/8/2017
52nd Season Celebration Event 11/8/17
Email, Need Public Transportation in UC
Email, Judge Sides With Railroad
(5) Email Lost Tourism, Railroad
Minutes, June 28, 2017
Online Survey, Direction of Community
Vol. 49, No. 18 & 19 2017
Public Hearing, HV Kingston Dev. LLC
10/4/17 Legislative Chambers, 7PM
CMRR Subcontracting Permit
City Of Kingston Subcontractor Response
Order of Succession Letter, DPW
Press Release, Training Course 11/1/17
9-1PM Erosion & Sediment Training
Tourist RR Permit, Eastern Segment
Shadowland Studio Ribbon-Cutting 10/12
October 2017 Calendar of Events
UC Discount Card Utilization Report Aug.
2018 Net Service Fee Fully Funded
2018 Draft Budget & Fee Projections
Jewish Family Services Conf. 11/3/17
Dyslexia Invitation – Events 10/20-21/17

COMMUNICATIONS (continued)

Shadowland Stages
Central Hudson

The Upper Delaware
UC Attorney, Beatrice Havranek
UC Traffic Safety Board
Mr. Michael Carey
UC Regional Chamber of Commerce
UC Traffic Safety Board
Epilepsy Foundation of NE NY, Inc.
Drescher & Malecki LLP
Mr. Ryan VanKleeck, Kingston

Disgraced, Oct. 6 – Oct. 22nd
September 2017 Brochure
Sturgeon Pool Dam EM Action Plan Update
Brochure, Fall/Winter 2017
County Litigation, September 2017
Committee Minutes 9/11/2017
FOIL Request 9/30/2017
Ribbon Cutting Cricket Wireless 10/19/17
Attendance Sheet 10/2/17
Annual Awards Dinner 11/2/17
2016 UC Audit Financial Statements
Correct Family Court Map Directions

COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS:

Minutes, Ulster County Corp. Compliance
Committee 7/26/17
Appointment UC Fire Coordinator, Everett
Erichsen 9/27/17
Press Release, 2018 County Budget
Appointment UC Board of Ethics, Kenneth
Hassett Term: 1/1/2017-12/31/2021
2018 Executive Budget Summary
2018 UC Executive Operating Budget
2018-2023 Exec. Capital Improvement
Program
Press Release, Economic Dev. Guide &
Website

MEMORIALIZING LETTERS:

Ulster County Legislators

In Support Of Increased State
Appropriation Funding For Cornell
Cooperative Extension To \$8 Million

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Economic Development, Tourism, Housing,
Planning & Transit
Energy & Environment
Government Efficiency & Review
Law Enforcement and Public Safety
Laws and Rules, Governmental Services
Legislative Programs, Education & Community Services
Public Works and Capital Projects

DATE:

September 6, 2017
July 10, 2017
August 14, 2017
September 5, 2017
September 18, 2017
August 7, 2017
September 6, 2017

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

In recognition of October as Breast Cancer Awareness Month, Chairman Ronk granted Privilege of the Floor to Mrs. Bernadette Rexford, Development Manager, of the Benedictine Health Foundation. Mrs. Rexford along with cancer survivor Kristen Flynn, shared her story and information about the services provided individuals undergoing cancer treatments and their families with the support of the Rosemary D. Gruner Memorial Cancer fund.

The Benedictine Health Foundation founded in 1977 has been supporting health care services in Ulster County and the surrounding area since its inception. While the Foundation provides services to people in need along the entire health care spectrum, the Foundation's Rosemary D. Gruner Memorial Cancer fund, established in 2004, is dedicated to aiding in the treatment, care and support of cancer patients in need.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There were (4) speakers signed up for public comment.

1. Legislator Jennifer Schwartz Berky, Kingston: On behalf of Legislator Schwartz Berky's constituent Jeffery A. Kelly, Legislator Berky posthumously shared Mr. Kelly's written communications sent to her regarding human rights issues. Legislator Berky noted she would forward his correspondence to the Ulster County Human Rights Commission. The Ulster County Legislative Session was adjourned in his memory.
2. Jim Gordon, New Paltz: Mr. Gordon who is the President of Sage Arts thanked the Legislature and Arts Mid-Hudson for their support celebrating remarkable women of the Hudson Valley. Sage Arts October 21st event, "Carrying The Torch" will honor our very own Ulster County Legislator Manna Jo Greene, District No. 19, along with other leaders and artists in our community.
3. Laura Cunningham, Stone Ridge: Ms. Cunningham provided additional signatures of residents against the proposed location for a county wide fire training center built between Cottekill and Leggett Road. Total signatures received to date - 1,211.
4. Thomas Wanning: Mr. Wanning spoke in support of campaign finance reform.

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

RESOLUTION NOS: 294, 373, 374, 376 – 392; 281, 320, 321, 375, 393- POSTPONED

Resolution No. 281 - Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 5 Of 2017, The Ulster County Comprehensive Campaign Finance Reform and Accountability Law, To Be Held On Tuesday, November 14, 2017 At 7:05 PM
POSTPONED IN COMMITTEE

Resolution No. 294 - Adopting Proposed Local Law No. 4 Of 2017, (A Local Law To Provide For The Collection Of Village Real Property Taxes)
NO ACTION TAKEN IN COMMITTEE

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Resolution No. 320 - Adopting Proposed Local Law No. 15 Of 2016, (A Local Law Amending The Ulster County Charter Section C-101A And The Ulster County Administrative Code Section A 30-2A, To Amend The Powers And Duties Of The Ulster County Human Rights Commission)

POSTPONED IN COMMITTEE

Resolution No. 321 - Adopting Proposed Local Law No. 16 Of 2016, (A Local Law Establishing A Comprehensive Ulster County Human Rights Law)

POSTPONED IN COMMITTEE

Resolution No. 374 – Amending Resolution No. 319 Of 2001, Amending The Policy Of The County Of Ulster With Regard To Project Labor Agreements

POSTPONED IN COMMITTEE

Resolution No. 375 - Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 8 Of 2017, 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 Establish The Department Of Economic Development, To Be Held On Tuesday, November 14, 2017 At 7:10 PM

POSTPONED IN COMMITTEE

Resolution No. 393 - Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 9 Of 2017, A Local Law Amending Local Law No. 5 Of 1991 (A Local Law Adopting A Hotel And Motel Room Occupancy Tax) To Update The Tax Law's Application To Short-term And Vacation Rentals, To Be Held On Tuesday, November 14, 2017 At 7:15 PM

POSTPONED IN COMMITTEE

A motion was made by Majority Leader Maio, seconded by Minority Leader Rodriguez, to move Resolution Nos. 377, 378 and 381 out of the Non-Consent Agenda and into the Consent. All in favor.

Consent

- 376 Confirming The Appointment Of Jose M. DeLeon, Jr. As Director Of Information Services**

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 22 NOES: 0
(Absent: Legislator Delaune)

- 377 Confirming The Appointment Of Shelley J. Wagar As Director Of The Office For The Aging**

MOVED FROM NON-CONSENT

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 22 NOES: 0
(Absent: Legislator Delaune)

- 378 Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Cornell Cooperative Extension – Department Of Public Works**

MOVED FROM NON-CONSENT

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 22 NOES: 0
(Absent: Legislator Delaune)

- 379 Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment Causing The Aggregate Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Technical Building Services Inc. – Department Of Public Works**

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 22 NOES: 0
(Absent: Legislator Delaune)

- 380 Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Callanan Industries, Inc. – Department Of Public Works**

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 22 NOES: 0
(Absent: Legislator Delaune)

- 381 Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment Causing The Aggregate Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Dan’s Hauling & Demo, Inc. – County Attorney**

MOVED FROM NON-CONSENT

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 22 NOES: 0
(Absent: Legislator Delaune)

- 382 Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Dan’s Hauling & Demo, Inc. – Emergency Management**

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 22 NOES: 0
(Absent: Legislator Delaune)

- 383 Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – NewCastle Communications – Information Services**

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 22 NOES: 0
(Absent: Legislator Delaune)

- 384 Establishing Capital Project No. 511 – Watson Hollow Slope Stabilization – Amending the 2017 – 2022 Capital Program -Department of Public Works (Highways And Bridges)**

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 22 NOES: 0
(Absent: Legislator Delaune)

- 386 Amending Capital Project No. 336 – South Putt Corners Road (PIN 8759.90) – Increasing Funding for Construction, Construction Supervision and Construction Inspection Phase and – Amending the 2017- 2022 Capital Improvement Program – Public Works (Highways and Bridges)**

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 22 NOES: 0
(Absent: Legislator Delaune)

- 388 Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Accept Additional Funding From The New York State Prosecutors Training Institute (NYPTI) – Amending The 2017 Ulster County Budget – District Attorney**

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 22 NOES: 0
(Absent: Legislator Delaune)

- 389 Amending The 2017 Ulster County Budget And Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services – Sexual Assault Crisis And Prevention Program — Department Of Probation**

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 22 NOES: 0
(Absent: Legislator Delaune)

390 Appropriating Funds From Self Insurance Revenues For Replacement Of Sheriff's Office Unit 130 & Unit 114 - Amending The 2017 Ulster County Budget - Ulster County Sheriff

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 22 NOES: 0
(Absent: Legislator Delaune)

391 Authorizing The Conveyance Of County-Owned Properties To The Original Owners – Department Of Finance

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 22 NOES: 0
(Absent: Legislator Delaune)

392 Authorizing The Commissioner Of Finance To Accept Bids For Parcels Of County-Owned Real Property For Private Sale And Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Convey Such Parcel – Department Of Finance

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 22 NOES: 0
(Absent: Legislator Delaune)

Non-Consent

- 294 Adopting Proposed Local Law No. 4 Of 2017, (A Local Law To Provide For The Collection Of Village Real Property Taxes)**

NO ACTION TAKEN IN COMMITTEE

- 373 Amending The Rules Of Order In Relation Appointing Authority Of Legislative Staff**

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 17 NOES: 5
(Noes: Legislators Bartels, Berky, Greene,
Heppner, and Rodriguez)
(Absent: Legislator Delaune)

- 374 Amending Resolution No. 319 Of 2001, Amending The Policy Of The County Of Ulster With Regard To Project Labor Agreements**

POSTPONED IN COMMITTEE

- 377 Confirming The Appointment Of Shelley J. Wagar As Director Of The Office For The Aging**

MOVED TO CONSENT

- 378 Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Cornell Cooperative Extension – Department Of Public Works**

MOVED TO CONSENT

- 381 Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment Causing The Aggregate Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Dan’s Hauling & Demo, Inc. – County Attorney**

MOVED TO CONSENT

**385
BOND** **Authorizing The Reconstruction And Restabilization Of Watson Hollow Road, In And For The County Of Ulster, New York, At A Maximum Estimated Cost Of \$412,000.00, And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$412,000.00 Bonds Of Said County To Pay The Cost Thereof**

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING LONG ROLL VOTE:

AYES: 22 NOES: 0
(Absent: Legislator Delaune)

**387
BOND** **Authorizing The Issuance Of An Additional \$635,326.00 Bonds Of The County Of Ulster, New York, To Pay Part Of The County's Share Of The Reconstruction Of South Putt Corners Road, In And For Said County, And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$635,326.00 Additional Bonds Of Said County To Pay The Cost Thereof**

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING LONG ROLL VOTE:

AYES: 22 NOES: 0
(Absent: Legislator Delaune)

MEETING ADJOURNED IN MEMORY OF: Read by Legislator Mary Beth Maio.

Patricia Beckert Hackett, Saugerties, NY
Lyle Schuler, Hurley, NY
Joseph J. Benjamin, Lake Katrine, NY
Elizabeth A. Roarke, Stone Ridge, NY
Harry E. Giles, Jr., Port Ewen, NY
Gregory A. Mulstay, Saugerties, NY
Michele "Mike" Tagliafierro, Glasco, NY
Clifford Tienken, Sr., Saugerties, NY
William Appa Johns, Rosendale, NY

Margaret A. Gutridge, Kingston, NY
Ethel Pilz, Saugerties, NY
Rose M. Scott, Town of Ulster, NY
Gerald T. Coccozza, Milton, NY
Anthony J. Cavallaro, Saugerties, NY
Shirley M. VanVlack, New Paltz, NY
Jeffrey A. Kelly, Kingston, NY
Marquerite Prinz, Saugerties, NY
Melanie S. Milite, Marlboro, NY

Motion by Legislator Herbert Litts, III and seconded by Minority Leader Hector Rodriguez to adjourn Legislative Session. All in favor.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:02 PM

NEXT MEETING:

Chairman Kenneth J. Ronk, Jr. announced a Special Session Meeting of the Legislature will be held on **Monday, October 23, 2017 at 6:30 PM** in the Legislative Chambers, Sixth Floor, Ulster County Office Building, 244 Fair Street, Kingston, New York to vote on Resolutions for the Ulster County Family Court Relocation.

The next Regular Meeting of the Ulster County Legislature will be held on **November 14, 2017 at 7:00 PM** in the Legislative Chambers, Sixth Floor, Ulster County Office Building, 244 Fair Street, Kingston, New York.

Resolution deadline is next **Wednesday, October 25, 2017 at 12 Noon.**