

**Ways &
Means Committee
Regular Meeting Minutes**

DATE & TIME: March 15, 2021 – 5:00
LOCATION: Powered by Zoom Meeting by dialing 1-646-558-8656, Meeting ID 952 9088 8421
PRESIDING OFFICER: John Gavaris, Chairman
LEGISLATIVE STAFF: Natalie Kelder, Amber Feaster, and Jay Mahler
PRESENT: Legislators Kenneth J. Ronk, Jr., Lynn Archer, Tracey Bartels, Heidi Haynes, Mary Beth Maio (arrived at 5:07 PM), John Parete (arrived at 5:03 PM), and Eve Walter; and Legislative Chairman Donaldson (arrived at 5:09 PM; out from 5:11 PM to 5:13 PM)
ABSENT: None
QUORUM PRESENT: Yes
OTHER ATTENDEES: Legislators Bruno, Cahill, Greene, and Heppner; Legislative Counsel Chris Ragucci; Legislative Counsel Victor Cueva; Minority Counsel, Nick Pascale; Clerk of the Legislature, Victoria Fabella; Deputy County Executives Marc Rider, and John Milgrim; Director of Planning, Dennis Doyle; Comptroller March Gallagher; Deputy Comptroller, Alicia DeMarco; Director of Economic Development, Tim Weidemann; Conor Gillis, New York State Association of REALTORS, Inc.; “Citizen 001”, unknown resident

- **Chairman Gavaris called the meeting to order at 5:02 PM**

Motion No. 1: To approve Resolution No. 95 – Adopting Proposed Local Law No. 13 Of 2020 As Amended, 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 Further Clarify Departmental, Agency, Office Or Unit Estimates

Resolution Summary: This Resolution adopts Proposed Local Law No. 13 of 2020, as Amended, and, pending the approval of the County Executive, assigns a local law number consecutive to the last local law adopted and approved in 2021.

Motion Made By: Legislator Ronk
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: Legislator Ronk stated that he understands, respects, and agrees with the sponsor’s position but argued that the Resolution isn’t entitling the Legislature to anything more. Legislator Archer

answered that the Legislation is an attempt to clarify further, before resorting to other efforts. Discussion pursued as to whether the disagreement with the County Executive Office is due to lack of understanding or fundamental disagreement, and on the anticipated outcome if the Resolution is passed.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Archer, Bartels, Parete, and Walter; and Legislative Chairman Donaldson
Voting Against: Legislators Ronk, Haynes, and Maio
No. of Votes in Favor: 6
No. of Votes Against: 3
Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 2: To postpone Resolution No. 97 – Requiring The Payment Of A Living Wage To Employees Of Contractors And Sub-Contractors That Provide Services To The County Of Ulster

Resolution Summary: This Resolution requires that for every contract entered on and after September 1, 2021, compensation for covered employees employed by covered employers shall be set in an amount no less than fifteen (\$15.00) dollars per hour worked, in addition to retirement, health, or other benefits received by the overed employee, if any.

Motion Made By: Legislator Ronk
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: Legislator Bartels confirmed that Legislator Parete is in consent with the postponement. Legislator Parete agreed that a financial estimate will provide due diligence. Deputy County Executive John Milgrim stated that the County Executive office will support the intent of the Resolution once a financial analysis is completed.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Ronk, Archer, Bartels, Haynes, Maio, Parete, and Walter
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 8
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Postponed

Motion No. 3: To block Resolutions No. 100, 118, 132, 135, and 138

Motion Made By: Legislator Ronk
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Walter

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Ronk, Archer, Bartels, Haynes, Maio, Parete, and Walter
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 8
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 4: To approve the following Resolutions:

Resolution No. 100 – Authorizing Roof And Exterior Emergency Façade Renovation Improvements At Hasbrouck Hall And Multiple Other Buildings At Ulster County Community College-SUNY Ulster, In And For The County Of Ulster, New York, At A Maximum Estimated Cost Of \$2,448,000.00 And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$2,448,000.00 Bonds Of Said County To Pay The Cost Thereof

Resolution Summary: This Resolution authorizes the issuance of Bonds in the amount of \$2,448,000 for Phase 3 of the Campus Roof Capital Project for Hasbrouck Hall Roof and Exterior Emergency Façade Renovations, related to the Campus Roofs Capital Project No. 489.

Resolution No. 118 – Authorizing The Construction Of The Midtown Linear Park In Kingston, New York, In And For The County Of Ulster, New York, At A Maximum Estimated Cost Of \$1,744,275.00, And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$1,341,644.00 Bonds Of Said County To Pay A Portion Of The Cost Thereof

Resolution Summary: This Resolution authorizes the issuance of Bonds in the amount of \$1,341,644.00 for amendments approved for Capital Project No. 479 – Ulster County Midtown Linear Park.

Resolution No. 132 – Authorizing The Guide Rail Replacement Program Throughout And In And For The County Of Ulster, New York, At A Maximum Estimated Cost Of \$130,000.00, And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$130,000.00 Bonds Of Said County To Pay The Cost Thereof

Resolution Summary: This Resolution authorizes the issuance of Bonds in the amount of \$130,000.00 for Capital Project No. 589 Guide Rail Replacement Program for the replacement of damaged and destroyed guide rails.

Resolution No. 135 – Authorizing The Asphalt Overlay Program Of Various Roads Throughout And In And For The County Of Ulster, New York, At A Maximum Estimated Cost Of \$5,130,000.00, And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$5,130,000.00 Bonds Of Said County To Pay The Cost Thereof

Resolution Summary: This Resolution authorizes the issuance of Bonds in the amount of \$130,000.00 for the establishment of Capital Project No. 590 DPW Asphalt Overlay Program for final overlay over various roadways.

Resolution No. 138 – Authorizing The Reconstruction Of Various Roads Throughout And In And For The County Of Ulster, New York, At A Maximum Estimated Cost Of \$650,000.00, And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$650,000.00 Bonds Of Said County To Pay The Cost Thereof

Resolution Summary: This Resolution authorizes the issuance of Bonds in the amount of \$650,000.00 for the establishment of Capital Project No. 591 Reconstruction of Various Roads for pavement preservation of various County roads.

Motion Made By: Legislator Ronk
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Walter

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Ronk, Archer, Bartels, Haynes, Maio, Parete, and Walter
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 8
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 5: To approve Resolution No. 112 – Authorizing The Required Steps For The Transfer Of Real Property Owned By Ulster County And Located At Enterprise West, Town Of Ulster To The Ulster County Economic Development Alliance – Department Of Economic Development

Resolution Summary: This Resolution authorizes the transfer title to the Ulster County Economic Development Alliance in fee unless in the event the County shall need any of the Property for a limited period of time, then the County may transfer a title and/or a leasehold; and authorizes the Chair of the Legislature and the County Executive to execute any and all documents related to the disposition, including the deed and/or lease, along with any other agreements, forms, certificates, or applications necessary to effectuate the foregoing.

Motion Made By: Legislator Ronk
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Donaldson

Discussion: Legislator Walter vocalized concern that she received calls in support of the Resolution as if it applied only to one entity, when there are many applications. Legislator Ronk emphasized similar issues in the past.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Ronk, Archer, Bartels, Haynes, Maio, Parete, and Walter; and Legislative Chairman Donaldson
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 9
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Approved

Resolution No. 139 – Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For Rates Anticipated To Exceed \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Peckham Road Corp. – Department Of Public Works

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment with Peckham Road Corporation to extend the term of agreement for chip sealing services from March 31, 2021 through March 31, 2022 for rates anticipated to exceed \$50,000.00.

Disposition: Withdrawn

Motion No. 6: To block Resolutions No. 137, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, and 147

Motion Made By: Legislator Ronk
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Donaldson

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Ronk, Archer, Bartels, Haynes, Maio, Parete and Walter; and Legislative Chairman Donaldson

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 9

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 7: To approve the following Resolutions:

Resolution No. 137 – Establishing Capital Project No. 591 - 2021 Reconstruction Of Various Roads – Department Of Public Works (Highways And Bridges)

Resolution Summary: This Resolution establishes Capital Project No. 591 Reconstruction of Various Roads for pavement preservation of various County roads in the amount of \$650,000.00 and amends the 2021 Capital Fund Budget accordingly.

Resolution No. 140 – Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For Rates Anticipated To Exceed \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Gorman Brothers, Inc. – Department Of Public Works

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment with Gorman Brothers, Inc. to extend the term of agreement for cold in-place asphalt recycling from March 31, 2021 through March 31, 2022 for rates anticipated to exceed \$50,000.00.

Resolution No. 141 – Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For Rates Anticipated To Exceed \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Gorman Brothers, Inc. – Department Of Public Works

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment with Gorman Brothers, Inc. to extend the term of agreement for application of fiber mat/fiber reinforced bituminous membrane from March 31, 2021 through March 31, 2022 for rates anticipated to exceed \$50,000.00.

Resolution No. 142 – Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For Rates Anticipated To Exceed \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Gorman Brothers, Inc. – Department Of Public Works

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment with Gorman Brothers, Inc. to extend the term of agreement for fiber reinforced microsurfacing from March 31, 2021 through March 31, 2022 for rates anticipated to exceed \$50,000.00.

Resolution No. 143 – Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For Rates Anticipated To Exceed \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Gorman Brothers, Inc. – Department Of Public Works

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment with Gorman Brothers, Inc. to extend the term of agreement for paver placed surface treatment from March 31, 2021 through March 31, 2022 for rates anticipated to exceed \$50,000.00.

Resolution No. 144 – Approving The Execution Of A Contract For Rates Anticipated To Exceed \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Gorman Brothers, Inc. – Department Of Public Works

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract with Gorman Brothers, Inc. from April 1, 2021 through March 31, 2022 for reclamation services for rates anticipated to exceed \$50,000.00.

Resolution No. 145 – Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For Rates Anticipated To Exceed \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Highway Rehabilitation Corp. – Department Of Public Works

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment with Highway Rehabilitation Corp. to extend the term of agreement for hot in place asphalt recycling from March 31, 2021 through March 31, 2022 for rates anticipated to exceed \$50,000.00.

Resolution No. 146 – Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For Rates Anticipated To Exceed \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Sealcoat USA, Inc. – Department Of Public Works

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment with Sealcoat USA, Inc. to extend the term of agreement for pavement crack sealing from March 31, 2021 through March 31, 2022 for rates anticipated to exceed \$50,000.00.

Resolution No. 147 – Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For Rates Anticipated To Exceed \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Seneca Pavement Marking, Inc. – Department Of Public Works

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment with Seneca Pavement Marking, Inc. to extend the term of agreement for road striping from March 31, 2021 through March 31, 2022 for rates anticipated to exceed \$50,000.00.

Motion Made By: Legislator

Motion Seconded By: Legislator

Discussion: Legislator Ronk stated he is glad these contracts are moving forward, emphasizing that the contracts are important to the people in Ulster County and that the County Executive has budgetary limitations.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Ronk, Archer, Bartels, Haynes, Maio, Parete and Walter; and Legislative Chairman Donaldson

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 9

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Approved

Old Business:

Motion No. 8: To postpone Resolution No. 7 – Requesting The New York State Legislature Introduce, And The Governor Sign, An Amendment To Article 31 Of The New York State Tax Law To Permit The County Of Ulster To Adopt A Local Law To Impose, Collect And Retain A Tax On Real Estate Transfers

Resolution Summary: This Resolution requests that the New York State Legislature and Governor pass legislation amending Article 31 of the New York State Tax Law, adding subdivision “H”, permitting the County of Ulster to adopt and amend a local law imposing in the County of Ulster a tax on each conveyance of real property or interest therein when the consideration exceeds \$500.00, at the rate of \$0.50 for each \$500.00 or fractional part thereof.

Motion Made By: Legislator Ronk

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Walter

Discussion: Legislator Walter asked if the intent is to postpone indefinitely or if this will be withdrawn and reintroduced once it’s ready. Legislative Chairman Donaldson answered that the Resolution is a work in process, and that he is working to continue necessary conversations to ensure the Resolution is ready as he feel it should be passed as the financial impact is important to the County.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Ronk, Archer, Bartels, Haynes, Maio, Parete, and Walter; and Legislative Chairman Donaldson
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 9
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Postponed

New Business: None

Chairman Gavaris asked the members if there was any other business, and hearing none;

Adjournment

Motion Made By: Legislator Ronk
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Walter
No. of Votes in Favor: 9
No. of Votes Against: 0

Time: 5:20 PM

Respectfully submitted: Amber Feaster
Minutes Approved: April 13, 2021

Chairman Gavaris: The March 16th meeting of Ways and Means. Do we have a quorum? Yes, we do. Okay. Um, we were going to postpone the Resolution 95 until after the public hearing. So can I get a motion to discuss?

Legislator Ronk: I'm move it for discussion.

Chairman Gavaris: Motion Ronk. Second? Legislator Bartels. Discussion? Legislator Ronk.

Legislator Ronk: Thanks, I just want to put it on record. I'm gonna be very brief. I was brief last night as well. I respect the point of view of the sponsors of this resolution. But this feels like one of those things that we do to either look or feel like we're doing something when in actuality, we're not actually doing anything. You know, if you know, with respect to Legislator Archer, I understand that she thinks that this is a step to give, you know, sort of one last chance, you know, for the Executive's office to do the right thing and, and give us these budget estimates that we're entitled to, you know, we're entitled to them in the charter. And then last year, we passed a law to clarify that we're entitled to them. And this is pretty much saying, you know, you know those budget estimates that we're entitled to that we reminded you last year that we were entitled to, we're still entitled to them. You know, and to me, it's a waste of the taxpayers time and money to even have this printed, because it doesn't entitle us to anything more than we are already entitled to. And I'm not, you know, I'm not a fan no matter what side of the aisle they come from have duplicative pieces of legislation that are not going to end up with us having any more information than we did yesterday. So for those reasons, I'll be a no even though I understand, agree with, and respect the sponsors positions.

Chairman Gavaris: Thank you, anybody else? Legislator Ronk, sorry, Archer.

Legislator Archer: Yes, and I and I can appreciate that. I believe this piece of legislation is an attempt to clarify so that there is no misunderstanding. And in fact, I think that, you know, as was brought up last night, if I'm not mistaken, Legislator Ronk had motioned, said we should be doing an Article 78. I think that what this does is tees us up, there should be no doubt in the clarification of what we're putting through in this go around, around information that's going to be helpful to us as we go through this budget in a very tight timeframe budget cycle. I think this is a last-ditch effort for, for the administration to understand, we're very serious about this. And and that would tee us up for an Article 78 if it's not complied with. So I don't think it's a waste. I think it's a further clarification. We're trying to give the benefit of the doubt and clarity around this issue. And I think it is well worth taking that step. Thank you.

Chairman Gavaris: Thank you, Legislator Ronk.

Legislator Ronk: Thanks. And if I thought that there was a misunderstanding, or a lack of understanding by the Executive's office on what we were looking for my position on this may be

different. In every conversation, I've had with the Deputy County Executives, they know exactly what we're looking for, and they just tell us that we're not entitled to it. So to me, it's not a it's not a issue of a lack of understanding about what we're looking for. So no clarification is going to make it any better. You know, it's it's a fundamental disagreement over what the Legislature's is entitled to. Frankly, I don't understand how they can argue that. I don't understand how they can take, you know, something that in the charter that says that, you know, these these departmental budget estimates, you know, are to be made a public record, and then tell us in the same breath, that the Legislature's is not entitled to them. So, you know, if, again, I respect your point of view, but I don't think there's any lack of clarity on what we're looking for what we believe we're entitled to I just think it's a disagreement and disagreements are what the courts are for.

Chairman Gavaris: Legislator Walter.

Legislator Walter: Thank you. I mean, I feel like it's a little Potato-Potato. I mean, if if given the extensive response by the Executive's attorney, whether they disagree because they don't understand or disagree because they think they do understand. Clearly there is, we're not in the same place. So that just to me, feels like all the more reason to have further fuel behind the position that we're taking because I think anything we can do to add fuel to that does not hurt, especially given the, you know, the very clear response that they made, feeling that we were completely in the wrong.

Chairman Gavaris: Legislator Ronk.

Legislator Ronk: Thank you. I promise this would be my last, my last,

Chairman Gavaris: I'll hold you to it.

Legislator Ronk: famous last words. But, you know through, through you, Mr. Chairman to Legislator Walter. Do you honestly believe that if we pass this law, and it's filed with the Secretary of State, after that time the Executive's office is going to have this information forthcoming to us?

Chairman Gavaris: Legislator Walter.

Legislator Walter: I am approaching this year with the beliefs of honesty and trust. And I believe that if we pass this, the executives office will show us the respect and and abide. I think that we have a greater chance if we pass this than if we don't. I could be, you know, they may not do it. But I would like to believe that this resolution is enough for them to recognize the significance of this, and and come along with this. And so I don't think we'll be in a worse situation, if we pass it, and I do think that we have some chance of actually being in a better situation.

Legislator Ronk: Thank, thank you, Legislator Walter, I appreciate your optimism. And I look forward to you know, the next several months.

Chairman Gavaris: Legislator Parete

Legislator Parete: Thank you Mr. Chairman. I've listened to the discussion over the last few months. It's most interesting. The one thing that I think I see in this legislation is that there's no consequences. I hear an Article 78 thrown around, there's no consequences, if there's no performance. Um, I'm going to vote yes on this. But I will say this, if the Executive vetoes it, I think it'll be a very interesting scenario. When we hear the briefs from both sides. It'll be a most interesting discussion. And if he vetoes it, then my my vote will be even more important in my own mind.

Chairman Gavaris: Thank you Legislator Parete. Chair Donaldson.

Legislative Chairman Donaldson: Sorry, I kept trying to get in but it wouldn't allow me in. Vicky had to send me a link to do it. I couldn't use the number that is on the, can anybody else attempt to use the number or did you use the direct link that was sent to you? I was curious.

Legislator Ronk: The link.

Legislative Chairman Donaldson: Alighty because I couldn't get on with the number.

Legislator Parete: That was by design.

Chairman Gavaris: All right, anything else?

Legislative Chairman Donaldson: Where are we on? Where, what are we on right now?

Chairman Gavaris: We're on Resolution 95. We were wrapping up discussion on that.

Legislative Chairman Donaldson: Which is, which one?

Chairman Gavaris: The Local Law number 13.

Legislative Chairman Donaldson: I don't have in front of me. Which, which one is that?

Chairman Gavaris: Amending

Legislator Ronk: This is the further further clarifying budget estimates, Dave.

Legislative Chairman Donaldson: Oh, Okay.

Chairman Gavaris: All right. Nothing else. All those in favor? Anybody opposed? Legislator Ronk, Maio, and Haynes. Motion pass.

Resolution 97: We discussed this last week. And also there's some additional language with the Execs office. So we have to get a motion to postpone this to the next meeting.

Legislator Ronk: So moved.

Chairman Gavaris: Legislator Ronk. Second? Sec, Legislator Bartels. Deputy Exec Milgrim.

Legislator Bartels: I just wanted to make sure that Legislator Parete is still okay with the postponement, waiting for the language.

Legislator Parete: To Legislator Bartels. Yes. Yes, ma'am. I probably said somewhere during the conversation last week that I don't really care how much it costs, we have to get it done. But I suppose in an effort to be somewhat responsible, we least ought to have some sort of a number. And I've been assured that the information will be, be made available, post haste. So thank you.

Chairman Gavaris: Deputy Executive Milgrim. Yeah, just to, I did have a discussion with Legislator Parete about this earlier today. I did commit that the administration is fully supportive of the intent, the intent of his resolution, but that the budget estimate their resolutions are required to have some sort of budget impact statement within them. And we ask that that be provided. I mentioned that last week, I think during some of these meetings as well as the caucuses, we're going to go ahead and do the estimate internally here with our finance department, they'll look at some contracts. But as a matter of good governance and transparency, it's important that if a piece of legislation that does have an impact on the budget, actually signify with an estimate of what that, what that impact is going to be. So we did have a discussion earlier today, myself and Legislator Parete. I also talked to the Chairman, and it seemed everyone was agreement, but we will support the intent of the resolution once we have a good budget estimate number in there, so.

Chairman Gavaris: Okay, thank you. So on the postponement All those in favor? Opposed? So carried.

The next ones are roll call, they're long roll on the floor is the resolution so can I have a motion to block all the bonds, which is resolution 100, 118, 132, 135, and 138?

Legislator Ronk: I'll make that motion.

Chairman Gavaris: Second? Legislator Walter. Any discussion? All those in favor?

Group: Aye

Chairman Gavaris: Any opposed? So carried.

Resolution 112: Authorizing

Amber Feaster: Excuse me, can you approve the block please.

Chairman Gavaris: Oh, correct. You're right.

Amber Feaster: Thank you

Chairman Gavaris: Motion to approve the block.

Legislator Ronk: Moved.

Chairman Gavaris: Second, Legislator Walter. All those in favor?

Group: Aye.

Chairman Gavaris: Opposed? Okay. Thank you.

Resolution 112: Authorizing required steps for the transfer of real property owned by the County of Ulster and located at Enterprise West, Town of Ulster, Ulster County Economic Development Agency. Motion.

Legislator Ronk: I'll move it.

Chairman Gavaris: Second?

Legislative Chairman Donaldson: Seconded.

Chairman Gavaris: Chair Donaldson. Discussion? All those in, Legislator Walter

Legislator Walter: Yeah, the only thing, I'm going to support this, um, I guess I just wanted to say that I was a little concerned about the fact that I heard from several constituents to their desire that I vote in favor of this, because they want to see the, what's it called, farm, farm-share. That one, one, one entity be able to thrive in Ulster County. So it makes it sound like this resolution is for that one entity as and and that's very deceiving. Because this resolution, as you all know, is not to allow one of those, there's 20 applications or whatever. And so I just, you know, I don't know how they got the information that

this resolution was really about that one, but it just sort of felt, you know, and I had to respond saying we'll I'll support it, you know, just so you know, don't think that supporting it is then therefore saving this one, one organization. And I just wanted to put that out there.

Chairman Gavaris: Legislator Ronk.

Legislator Ronk: Thanks, I mean, I would go on record and say that it's the same kind of thing that happened when we were all getting emails and letters saying that they wanted the IDA changed, because they were going to help people with their PPP loans. You know, the Executive's office puts out, you know, you know, a, a call to action to folks that are supportive of them on certain issues. And I was I was against that, you know, particular resolution, but I understand the way that these things work. So I'm, I'm certain that that's the way that happened.

Right or wrong.

Chairman Gavaris: All right, any further questions? All those in favor?

Group: Aye.

Chairman Gavaris: Opposed? So carried. All right.

Resolution said we were having waiting for estimates cost estimates for resolution. So can I get a motion to block 137, 139, 140, 141, 142, all the way to 40, 147?

Legislator Ronk: I'll make that motion.

Chairman Gavaris: Second?

Legislative Chairman Donaldson: Seconded.

Chairman Gavaris: Walters, okay. On The Block? All those in favor?

Group: Aye.

Chairman Gavaris: Opposed? Legislator Ronk.

Legislator Ronk: Thanks. I just, you know, I, I'm glad that these are gonna move forward. These contracts are very important to the people of Ulster County. You know, to me, the postponement for a week, although it didn't stop anything is of concern because this is the way we've done resolutions a couple of times. You know, when when we're dealing with road projects and whatnot. So, again, I, I just

I would have, I was ready to vote for these last, you know, last week. I'm ready to vote for them now. You know, the Executive's office can't spend farther than the Legislature's appropriating the budget for road repairs. So I understand, I, I understand the concerns. But this isn't the first year that we've had these resolutions like this. So I just wanted to make that clear that I was ready last week.

Chairman Gavaris: Thank you. And just to clarify it actually 139 has been withdrawn. So that's not part of this block. All right. Any other discussion? All those in favor?

Group: Aye.

Chairman Gavaris: Opposed?

Old business. The, Resolution number seven, I don't think anybody is prepared to be doing anything tonight. So can I get a motion to postpone resolution number seven? Legislator Ronk. Second, Walter. Any discussion? All right. All those in favor?

Legislator Walter: I have a question, sorry. So and maybe I'm wrong, this is through the Chair to the Chair. The, I, I thought I heard it was sort of a postponement indefinitely. Does that mean, we're going to just continue to postpone it at every meeting? Or is it kind of coming off the list until it's ready? Or ever? Maybe I misheard that.

Chairman Gavaris: Chair Donaldson.

Legislative Chairman Donaldson: Yeah. It's a, you know it's a work in progress. I think it's probably going to be tucked away for a while. But, you know, I need to have some conversations with more people that, that are interested in doing it. I mean, I have a lot of opposition. And, you know, my concern is I want to make sure if this is done, it's done right. So I'm in not a hurry to do this. I mean, it is something that should be done, in my opinion. And in the opinion of, you know, many people that, you know, understand that, you know, our finances in this County, we need to assure that we have, you know, revenue from various places. And like I said, I like to earmark it so. And it'll probably be postponed for quite some time. Yes.

Chairman Gavaris: Any other discussion? All right, all those in favor on the postponement?

Group: Aye.

Chairman Gavaris: Any opposed? Motion to adjourn? Leader Ronk, Legislator Walter.

Legislative Chairman Donaldson: Motion to adjourn.

Chairman Gavaris: All those, everybody, all those in favor? Opposed? Okay, great. See you all tonight. Thank you.