

**Ways & Means Committee
Regular Meeting Minutes**

DATE & TIME: February 07, 2023 – 5:00 PM
LOCATION: KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building
PRESIDING OFFICER: Chairman Gavaris
LEGISLATIVE STAFF: Natalie Kelder, Legislative Financial Analyst
PRESENT: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, & Walter
ABSENT: Legislators Ronk & Roberts
QUORUM PRESENT: Yes

OTHER ATTENDEES: Legislators Erner, Greene, Heppner, Maloney, Nolan, Petit, & Uchitelle, Legislative Counsel Gordon & Pascale, Deputy County Executives Contreras & Kelly – UC Executive’s Office, Comptroller Gallagher & Deputy Comptroller DeMarco – UC Comptroller’s Office, District Attorney Clegg – UC District Attorney’s Office, Commissioner Gulnick – UC Department of Finance, Commissioner McDonald – UC Department of Mental Health, Director Macaluso – UC Information Services

Chairman Gavaris called the meeting to order at 5:01 PM

Motion No. 1: **MOTION TO APPROVE December 13, 2022, and December 19, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes**

Motion By: Legislator Cahill
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Walter

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Minutes APPROVED**

Resolutions for the February 14, 2023 Session of the Legislature

Resolution No. 11 of 2022: Requesting Enactment Of A Senate Bill And Assembly Bill In The New York State Legislature For A Special Law In Relation To The Hotel And Motel Room Occupancy Tax Rates In Ulster County

Resolution Summary: This Resolution requests the enactment of a Senate and Assembly Bill in the New York State Legislature to increase the Hotel & Motel Occupancy Tax to 8% for Short-Term Rentals.

Motion No. 2: **MOTION TO DISCUSS Resolution No. 11 OF 2022**
Motion By: Legislator Walter
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: Legislator Maloney summarized that the cost of this will mostly affect individuals visiting Ulster County and not the residents of Ulster County. The residents of Ulster County will however benefit from increased revenue. Legislator Maloney also stated that the delay in finalizing this resolution has also cost the county millions of dollars that could have been used for housing.

Legislative Chair Bartels informed the committee that she is not in favor of two different rates for hotels / motels and short-term rentals and would like to find one rate for all entities and would like to send one bill up to the state that also incorporates the definition changes. Legislative Chair Bartels also expressed support for dedicating a portion of the revenue to the creation of workforce housing and giving a portion of the short-term rental revenue to the towns.

Legislator Cahill stated support for a single tax rate.

Legislator Walter shared agreement for one single tax rate and was in favor of asking the state for the increase and work out the policy details while awaiting state approval for the increase.

Chair Gavaris questioned the legality of having two different tax rates. Chair Gavaris also added that for municipalities to receive money they should be cooperating and change zoning when able as there are several areas within Ulster County where the zoning prohibits affordable workforce housing.

Legislative Chair Bartels requested a one-month postponement to discuss the definition changes.

Discussion ensued on the tax percentage that various legislators were comfortable with and the potential impacts on tourism growth.

Motion No. 3: **MOTION TO POSTPONE Resolution No. 11 OF 2022 FOR 1 MONTH**
Motion By: Legislator Walter
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter

Voting Against: None

Votes in Favor: 4

Votes Against: 0

Disposition: **Resolution POSTPONED FOR 1 MONTH**

Resolution No. 400 of 2022: Amending The 2022 2023 Budget To Establish And Fund The Ulster County Agricultural Crisis Relief Program - Department Of Finance, Division Of Recovery And Resilience

Resolution Summary: This Resolution amends the 2023 Budget to fund the Ulster County Agricultural Crisis Relief Program in the amount of \$1,889,702 of American Rescue Plan funds.

Motion No. 4: **MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 400 OF 2022, AS PRESENTED**

Motion By: Legislator Walter
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter

Voting Against: None

Votes in Favor: 4

Votes Against: 0

Disposition: **Resolution ADOPTED AS PRESENTED**

Resolution No. 486 of 2022: Adopting The Ulster County Information Services/ Information Technology Security Policy – Department Of Information Services

Resolution Summary: This Resolution adopted the Ulster County Information Services / Information Technology Security Policy.

Motion No. 5: **MOTION TO DISCUSS Resolution No. 486 OF 2022**

Motion By: Legislator Walter

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: Legislative Chair Bartels requested a one-month postponement and asked that a stakeholder meeting be set up with the Director of Information Services.

Deputy Executive Kelly offered to facilitate the stakeholder meeting.

Motion No. 6: **MOTION TO POSTPONE Resolution No. 486 OF 2022 FOR 1 MONTH**

Motion By: Legislator Bartels

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Cahill

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter

Voting Against: None

Votes in Favor: 4

Votes Against: 0

Disposition: **Resolution POSTPONED FOR 1 MONTH**

Resolution No. 8: Establishing A Policy Requiring Disclosure Of The Names Of Individuals Holding Ownership Interest In Entities Doing Business With Ulster County

Resolution Summary: This Resolution establishes a policy to require the disclosure of individual names, prior to entering into a contract, that hold ownership of 10% or greater of any company seeking to do business with Ulster County.

Motion No. 7: **MOTION TO DISCUSS Resolution No. 8**

Motion By: Legislator Walter

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: Legislator Maloney, as the sponsor, requested that the committee postpone this resolution for one month after discussion.

Legislative Chair Bartels noted that some states have similar policies in place and would like to further discuss, with Legislator Maloney, to potentially strengthen it. Legislative Chair Bartels went on to explain that when companies must disclose who has a 10% or greater stake in a company, it gives the public a level of confidence in the transparency.

Legislator Cahill questioned if there was a benefit to this and expressed concern as this is a small community but was not opposed to having the information.

Legislator Petit noted that the owner of a company is not easy to find, and it should be available.

Legislative Chair Bartels added that there isn't a downside to the transparency aspect when having this type of information available when public funds are being used.

Deputy County Executive Kelly questioned what this change would look like.

Chairman Gavaris envisioned this as part of the bid document and noted that he is familiar with bid documents that include the answers to questions such as: 'do you have an interest or does a family member have an interest in the company' or do 'you have a relationship with anyone who has a position of influence'.

Motion No. 8: MOTION TO POSTPONE Resolution No. 8 FOR 1 MONTH
Motion By: Legislator Walter
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Cahill

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter

Voting Against: None

Votes in Favor: 4

Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution POSTPONED FOR 1 MONTH

Resolution No. 11: Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute A Grant Application With Required Assurances For The Medicare Improvements For Patients And Providers Act (MIPPA) With The New York State Office For The Aging – Office For The Aging

Resolution Summary: This Resolution authorizes the Chair of the Ulster County Legislature to execute a grant application with the New York State Office for the Aging for Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act (MIPPA).

Motion No. 9: MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 11

Motion By: Legislator Walter

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Cahill

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter

Voting Against: None

Votes in Favor: 4

Votes Against: 0

Disposition: **Resolution Adopted**

Resolution No. 12: Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$122,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Family Home Healthcare, Inc. – Office For The Aging

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract with Family Home Healthcare, Inc in the amount of \$122,000 for in-home personal care assistance for seniors residing in Ulster County.

Motion No. 10: MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 12

Motion By: Legislator Walter

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Cahill

Discussion: Legislative Chair Bartels asked if a Request for Proposal (RFP) for these services was completed. Deputy Executive Contreras explained that this is a one-year extension so a RFP was not necessary and would look into if the original contract was the result of a RFP. Legislative Chair Bartels added that the same question applies for the following two resolutions.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter

Voting Against: None

Votes in Favor: 4

Votes Against: 0

Disposition: **Resolution ADOPTED**

Resolution No. 13: Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$90,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Home Health Care & Companion Agency, Inc. – Office For The Aging

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract with Home Health Care & Companion Agency, Inc. in the amount of \$90,000 for in-home personal care assistance for seniors residing in Ulster County.

Motion No. 11: MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 13

Motion By: Legislator Walter

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Cahill

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution ADOPTED**

Resolution No. 14: Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$145,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Willcare, Inc. D/B/A Willcare – Office For The Aging

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract in the amount of \$145,000 with Willcare, Inc. for in-home personal care assistance for seniors residing in Ulster County.

Motion No. 12: **MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 14**
Motion By: Legislator Walter
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Cahill

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution ADOPTED**

Resolution No. 15: Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$172,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Health Research, Inc. – Department Of Health

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract for \$172,000 with Health Research, Inc for funding for overdose data to action (OD2A) from the Center for Disease Control Prevention.

Motion No. 13: **MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 15**
Motion By: Legislator Walter
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Cahill

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution ADOPTED**

Resolution No. 17: Amending The 2023 Ulster County Budget To Accept An Additional Allocation Of Funds From The New York State Office Of Children And Family Services To Continue Safe Harbour Programming – Department Of Social Services

Resolution Summary: This Resolution amends the 2023 Ulster County Budget to accept \$43,350 from the New York State Office of Children and Family Services to continue Safe Harbour Programming.

Motion No. 14: MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 17
Motion By: Legislator Walter
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution ADOPTED

Resolution No. 18: Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$114,983.00 Entered Into By The County – Family Of Woodstock, Inc. – Department Of Social Services

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment in the amount of \$114,983 with Family of Woodstock, Inc., to increase the not to exceed value for emergency assistance for a telephone hotline or walk-in services.

Motion No. 15: MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 18
Motion By: Legislator Walter
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: Legislative Chair Bartels asked if this Resolution is to increase funding because the contract was fully expended or to pay individuals more per hour. Deputy County Executive Contreras explained that Family of Woodstock is expanding services. Legislative Chair Bartels urged the group to do a better job advertising these services. Deputy Executive Contreras agreed to communicate this request to Michael Berg of Family of Woodstock and Commissioner of Social Services Iapoce.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution ADOPTED

Resolution No. 19: Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$75,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Family Of Woodstock, Inc. – Department Of Social Services

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract with Family of Woodstock Inc., in the amount of \$75,000 for the operation of the Independent Living Program which prepares youth ages 14-21 for the challenges and responsibilities of living as an adult after discharge from foster care.

Motion No. 16: MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 19

Motion By: Legislator Walter
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Cahill

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution ADOPTED**

Resolution No. 21: Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$200,301.00 Entered Into By The County – United Way Of Ulster County Inc. – Department Of Social Services

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract with the United Way of Ulster County in the amount of \$200,301 for family and youth empowerment partner for the division of coordinated children's services to provide life skills counseling services.

Motion No. 17: **MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 21**
Motion By: Legislator Walter
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Cahill

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution ADOPTED**

Resolution No. 22: Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute A Contract With The New York State Office Of Addiction Services And Supports – Department Of Mental Health

Resolution Summary: This Resolution authorizes the Chair of the Ulster County Legislature to execute a contract with the New York State office of Addiction Services and Supports for an additional \$321,516 of state funds for child and family emergency services and community support programs.

Motion No. 18: **MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 22**
Motion By: Legislator Walter
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution ADOPTED**

Resolution No. 23: Amending The 2023 Ulster County Budget To Accept Increased Funding From The New York State Office Of Mental Health For Child And Family Emergency Services And Community Support Programs – Department Of Mental Health

Resolution Summary: This Resolution amends the 2023 Ulster County Budget to accept an increase of funds in the amount of 321,516 for child and family emergency services and community support programs.

Motion No. 19: MOTION TO ADOPTED Resolution No. 23
Motion By: Legislator Walter
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Cahill

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution ADOPTED

Resolution No. 24: Amending The 2023 Ulster County Budget To Approve Reclassification Of A Financial Analyst Position To A Manager For Fiscal Operations Position – Department Of Mental Health

Resolution Summary: This Resolution amends the 2023 Ulster County Budget approve reclassification of a Financial Analyst position to a Manager for Fiscal Operations with an annual salary of \$92,420 and an additional \$16,633 in county appropriations.

Motion No. 20: MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 24
Motion By: Legislator Walter
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: Legislative Chair Bartels confirmed that this position upgrade is due to a desk audit.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution ADOPTED

Resolution No. 25: Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$115,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Cornerstone Family Healthcare – Department Of Mental Health

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract in the amount of \$115,000 with Cornerstone Family Healthcare to provide street outreach, harm reduction education, syringe exchange access, linkage to medication for opioid use disorder, naloxone distribution, case management,

and transportation to intake/admission appointments as needed for high-risk individuals living with substance and opioid disorder in Ulster County.

Motion No. 21: MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 25
Motion By: Legislator Walter
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Cahill

Discussion: Legislative Chair Bartels questioned where the funding is from, and Deputy Executive Contreras explained that the funding is from opioid settlements.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution ADOPTED

Resolution No. 26: Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$290,000.00 Entered Into By The County – SEI Design Group Architects DPC – Ulster County Community College

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract with SEI Design Group Architects DPC for architectural services for the renovation of the existing maintenance facility building at SUNY Ulster in amount of \$290,000.

Motion No. 22: MOTION TO DISCUSS Resolution No. 26
Motion By: Legislator Walter
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Cahill

Discussion: Legislative Chair Bartels noted that the Resolution states 50% Federal and 50% State Funding and there is no county contribution, which is abnormal for a SUNY project.

Deputy Executive Kelly and Commissioner of Finance Gulnick both noted that the funding was odd and agreed to look into why there is no county contribution listed.

Motion No. 23: MOTION TO POSTPONE Resolution No. 26 FOR 1 WEEK
Motion By: Legislator Bartels
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Walter

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution POSTPONED FOR 1 WEEK

Resolution No. 27: Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Enter Into Intermunicipal Agreements With Various Municipalities For The Operation Of The Summer Youth Employment Program, Gun Violence Prevention Initiative, And The Young Adult Employment Program – Office Of Employment And Training

Resolution Summary: This Resolution authorizes the Chair of the Ulster County Legislature to enter into intermunicipal agreements for the Summer Youth Employment Program, Gun Violence Prevention Initiative, and the Young Adult Employment Program.

Motion No. 24: MOTION TO DISCUSS Resolution No. 27
Motion By: Legislator Walter
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: Legislative Chair Bartels asked how the municipalities are chosen and if there was the opportunity to expand the program.

Deputy County Executive Kelly agreed to follow up with the answers.

Motion No. 25: MOTION TO POSTPONE Resolution No. 27 FOR 1 WEEK
Motion By: Legislator Bartels
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Cahill

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution POSTPONED FOR 1 WEEK

Resolution No. 28: Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$62,060.00 Entered Into By The County – Community Planning & Environmental Associates – Department Of Planning

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract in the amount of \$62,060 with Community Planning and Environmental Associates to prepare an update to the Ulster County Agricultural and Farmland Protection Plan, provide community engagement services, and work with Ulster County personnel to develop an ArcGIS Hub website.

Motion No. 26: MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 28
Motion By: Legislator Walter
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution ADOPTED

Resolution No. 34: Amending The 2023 - 2028 Capital Improvement Program - Amending Capital Project No. 334 - Kingston Rail Trail (PIN 8758.04) To Provide Funding For Construction – Amending The 2023 Capital Fund Budget - Department Of Planning

Resolution Summary: This Resolution amends the 2023 – 2028 Capital Improvement Program and Capital Project No. 334, Kingston Rail Trail, for construction services in the amount of \$605,235.

Motion No. 27: MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 34
Motion By: Legislator Walter
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution ADOPTED

Resolution No. 38: Authorizing The Chair Of The Legislature To Execute A Development Agreement With AC Power Development Company LLC, For Development Of A Solar Array At The Hertel Landfill Site, A Foreclosure Eligible Parcel – Department Of Planning

Resolution Summary: This Resolution authorizes the Chair of the Legislature to execute a development agreement with AC Power Development Company LLC to develop a solar array at the Hertel Landfill Site.

Motion No. 28: MOTION TO DISCUSS Resolution No. 38
Motion By: Legislator Walter
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: Legislative Chair Bartels requested a one-week postponement noting that the project itself is worthwhile and appreciates that it is before the Legislature for consideration.

Legislator Walter added that there were still outstanding questions on this Resolution.

Legislative Chair Bartels explained that the intention is that the organization would own the property and pay the back taxes.

Deputy County Executive Kelly informed the committee that AC Power Development Company LLC was the only entity interested in owning the superfund site.

Legislator Petit added that the use of a solar site on a superfund or brownfield site is excellent.

Discussion ensued regarding an incomplete report on the topic, the lack of information plus the original bid information and the location of the site.

Motion No. 29: MOTION TO POSTPONE Resolution No. 38 FOR 1 WEEK
Motion By: Legislator Bartels
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Walter

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution POSTPONED FOR 1 WEEK

Resolution No. 39: Amending The 2023 Ulster County Budget To Accept Grant Funds Authorized In Prior Years – Department Of The Environment

Resolution Summary: This Resolution amends the 2023 Ulster County Budget to accept grant funds, authorized in prior years, in the amount of \$119,000.

Motion No. 30: MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 39
Motion By: Legislator Walter
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Cahill

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution ADOPTED

Resolution No. 40: Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute A Payment In Lieu Of Taxes Agreement With Lewis Solar Partners, LLC For Solar Energy Systems Pursuant To Real Property Tax Law Section 487

Resolution Summary: This Resolution authorizes the Chair of the Ulster County Legislature to execute a payment in lieu of taxes agreement with Lewis Solar Partners, LLC for Solar Energy Systems for the years 2023 through 2037.

Motion No. 31: MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 40
Motion By: Legislator Walter
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: Legislator Cahill confirmed with Commissioner of Finance Gulnick that the megawatt per site is negotiated with the town.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution ADOPTED**

Resolution No. 41: Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$20,000.00, Causing The Aggregate Contract Plus Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00, Entered Into By The County – County Waste And Recycling Service, Inc. – Department Of Public Works

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment with County Waste and Recycling Services, Inc, in the amount of \$20,000 through 12/31/2023.

Motion No. 32: **MOTION TO DISCUSS Resolution No. 41**
Motion By: Legislator Walter
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution ADOPTED**

Resolution No. 42: Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$400,000.00 Entered Into By The County – RUPCO, Inc. – Department Of Finance – ARPA

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract in the amount of \$400,000 of American Rescue Plan funds with RUPCO, Inc for energy retrofits and hands on training for new employees and interns.

Motion No. 33: **MOTION TO DISCUSS Resolution No. 42 FOR ONE MONTH**
Motion By: Legislator Walter
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: Legislative Chair Bartels noted that outstanding questions remain, and the County Executive was in support of Legislative Chair Bartels request for a one-month postponement to have a conversation with key stakeholders.

Motion No. 34: **MOTION TO POSTPONE Resolution No. 42 FOR ONE MONTH**
Motion By: Legislator Bartels
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Walter

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter
Voting Against: None

Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution POSTPONED FOR ONE MONTH**

Resolution No. 43: Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$136,666.00 Entered Into By The County – LaBella Associates D.P.C. – Department Of Finance – ARPA

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract in the amount of \$136,666 of American Rescue Plan Funds with LaBella Associates D.P.C. for Phase I and II environmental site assessments for certain foreclosure eligible properties.

Motion No. 35: **MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 43**
Motion By: Legislator Walter
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution ADOPTED**

Resolution No. 44: Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Intermunicipal Agreement With The Town Of Lloyd, As An ARPA-SLFRF Subrecipient, To Partially Fund Replacement Of A Municipal Water Storage Tank – Department Of Finance, Division Of Recovery And Resilience

Resolution Summary: This Resolution authorizes the Chair of the Ulster County Legislature to execute an intermunicipal agreement with the Town of Lloyd, as an American Rescue Plan subrecipient to partially fund a municipal water storage tank.

Motion No. 36: **MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 44**
Motion By: Legislator Bartels
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Walter

Discussion: Legislative Chair Bartels noted that this is the first of many resolutions that will be coming from the American Rescue Plan funding.

Deputy Executive Kelly noted that that there are 13 or 14 contracts in process but being held up by the excess of exhibits and additional details. Deputy Executive Kelly went on to explain that resources are being allocated to accelerate the contracts.

Chair Gavaris added that any time a water tank is being completed, in-line turbines should be considered.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter

Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution ADOPTED**

Resolution No. 45: Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$28,287.61, Causing The Aggregate Contract Plus Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00, Entered Into By The County – NDI Technologies Inc – Ulster County Sheriff

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment in the amount of \$28,287.61 with NDI Technologies Inc to extend the term of the agreement and increase funding for support and maintenance.

Motion No. 37: **MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 45**
Motion By: Legislator Walter
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Cahill

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution ADOPTED**

Resolution No. 46: Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$28,290.48, Causing The Aggregate Contract Plus Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00, Entered Into By The County – Motorola Solutions Inc. – Emergency Management

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment in the amount of \$28,290.48 with Motorola Solutions Inc. to extend the term of the agreement and support maintenance of the 911 phone system.

Motion No. 38: **MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 46**
Motion By: Legislator Walter
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution ADOPTED**

Resolution No. 47: Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement And Any Amendments Thereto, With The New York State Division Of Homeland Security And Emergency Services For Domestic Terrorism Prevention Grant – Department Of Emergency Management

Resolution Summary: This Resolution authorizes the Chair of the Ulster County Legislature to execute an agreement with the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services for Domestic Terrorism Prevention Grant in the amount of \$172,413.

Motion No. 39: MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 47
Motion By: Legislator Walter
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution ADOPTED

Resolution No. 48: Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The New York State Division Of Criminal Justice Services Funding Of A Gun Violence Grant And Amending the 2023 Ulster County Budget – District Attorney

Resolution Summary: This Resolution amends the 2023 Ulster County Budget and authorizes the Chair of the Ulster County Legislature to execute an agreement with the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services, in the amount of \$50,000, for the funding and appropriation of a gun violence grant.

Motion No. 40: MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 48
Motion By: Legislator Walter
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution ADOPTED

Resolution No. 49: Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$100,000.00 Entered Into By The County – National Network For Safe Communities – District Attorney

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract with National Network for Safe Communities in the amount of \$100,000 for 2023, 2024, and 2025 appropriations to provide ongoing guidance and technical support to the implementation of the Initiate Partner Violence Intervention.

Motion No. 41: MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 49

Motion By: Legislator Walter
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter

Voting Against: None

Votes in Favor: 4

Votes Against: 0

Disposition: **Resolution ADOPTED**

Resolution No. 50: Amending The 2023 Ulster County Budget To Revise Compensation Of A Current Part-Time Investigator Position To A Full-Time Investigator Position – District Attorney

Resolution Summary: This Resolution amends the 2023 Ulster County Budget to increase a part-time investigator to a full-time investigator and utilize \$48,398 from unassigned fund balance.

Motion No. 42: **MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 50**

Motion By: Legislator Walter

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: Legislator Walter explained that she and Legislative Chair Bartels visited the District Attorney’s Office and structured a plan with the support of District Attorney Clegg to defeat this resolution and the District Attorney has the power to and will increase the part-time investigator hours as necessary. In addition, Sheriff Figueroa will complete a security analysis and the group will create a new plan to fully solve all issues regarding the new office space.

Legislator Nolan questioned why the committee wouldn’t postpone the resolution, as it is possible this ends up being the final solution.

Legislative Chair Bartels noted that she supports Legislator Walter but would consider a one-month postponement.

Legislator Walter and Chair Gavaris both expressed that they did not support a postponement.

District Attorney Clegg added that there are security concerns and expressed the need for the full-time position to be approved for the next two months to allow for time to assess the situation. District Attorney Clegg indicated that there is no mechanism to force the review of the situation.

Legislative Chair Bartels explained to District Attorney Clegg that he has the power to assign full time hours to the part-time investigator, immediately. District Attorney Clegg acknowledged that he can and would increase the hours for the investigator. Legislator Walter added that Sheriff Figueroa had committed to completing the security analysis in the upcoming week. Legislative Chair Bartels also confirmed with Commissioner Gulnick that the discussion will happen regarding the alternative work schedule.

Voting In Favor: None
Voting Against: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter
Votes in Favor: 0
Votes Against: 4
Disposition: **Resolution DEFEATED**

Resolution No. 51: Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute A Contract Amendment With The New York State Office Of Indigent Legal Services For Distribution #10 – Public Defender’s Office

Resolution Summary: This Resolution authorizes the Chair of the Ulster County Legislature to execute a contract amendment with the New York State Office of the Indigent Legal Services for Distribution #10 for \$440,544.

Motion No. 43: **MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 51**
Motion By: Legislator Walter
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Cahill

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution ADOPTED**

Resolution No. 52: Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Amend An Agreement With The New York State Unified Court System – Department Of Public Works (Buildings And Grounds)

Resolution Summary: This Resolution authorizes the Chair of the Ulster County Legislature to amend an agreement with the New York State Unified Court System in the amount of \$394,229 for cleaning and for minor and emergency repairs of court facilities.

Motion No. 44: **MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 52**
Motion By: Legislator Walter
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Cahill

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution ADOPTED**

Resolution No. 53: Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute A Lease Agreement With The Ulster County Board Of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) For Classroom Space At 521 Boices Lane – Department Of Public Works (Buildings And Grounds)

Resolution Summary: This Resolution authorizes the Chair of the Ulster County Legislature to execute a lease agreement for classroom space at 521 Boices Lane with the Board of Cooperative Educational Services.

Motion No. 45: MOTION TO DISCUSS Resolution No. 53
Motion By: Legislator Walter
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Cahill

Discussion: Legislative Chair Bartels asked if the sublease is for the same price that the county pays on their lease.

Chairman Gavaris requested the motion to postpone, and Deputy Executive Kelly agreed to follow up with the exact lease amount.

Motion No. 46: MOTION TO POSTPONE Resolution No. 53 FOR 1 WEEK
Motion By: Legislator Walter
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter

Voting Against: None

Votes in Favor: 4

Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution POSTPONED FOR 1 WEEK

Resolution No. 54: Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute A Memorandum Of Understanding And A Government Entity Lease Disclosure Sheet With The State Of New York, Allowing The New York State Department Of Labor To Utilize Space On Boices Lane - Department Of Public Works (Buildings & Grounds)

Resolution Summary: This Resolution authorizes the Chair of the Ulster County Legislature to execute a memorandum of understanding and a government entity lease disclosure sheet with the State of New York to allow the New York State Department of Labor to utilize space on Boices Lane.

Motion No. 47: MOTION TO DISCUSS Resolution No. 54
Motion By: Legislator Bartels
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Walter

Discussion: Legislative Chair Bartels had noted during the Resolution No. 53 discussion that the same issue applies, and Deputy County Executive Kelly will confirm the lease and sublease prices.

Motion No. 48: MOTION TO POSTPONE Resolution No. 54 FOR 1 WEEK
Motion By: Legislator Bartels

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Walter

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter

Voting Against: None

Votes in Favor: 4

Votes Against: 0

Disposition: **Resolution POSTPONED FOR 1 WEEK**

Resolution No. 55: Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For Rates Anticipated To Exceed \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Callanan Industries, Inc. – Department Of Public Works

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment with Callanan Industries, Inc. for rates anticipated to exceed over \$50,000 for in-place paving of various County roads.

Motion No. 49: **MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 55**

Motion By: Legislator Walter

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter

Voting Against: None

Votes in Favor: 4

Votes Against: 0

Disposition: **Resolution ADOPTED**

Resolution No. 56: Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For Rates Anticipated To Exceed \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Gorman Bros., Inc. – Department Of Public Works

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract with Gorman Bros. for rates anticipated to exceed \$50,000 for the purchase and application of paver placed surface treatment or NovaChip for various Ulster County roadways.

Resolution No. 57: Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For Rates Anticipated To Exceed \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Gorman Bros., Inc. – Department Of Public Works

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment with Gorman Bros. for rates anticipated to exceed \$50,000 for cold-in-place asphalt recycling for certain Ulster County roadways.

Resolution No. 58: Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For Rates Anticipated To Exceed \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Gorman Bros., Inc. – Department Of Public Works

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment with Gorman Bros. for rates anticipated to exceed \$50,000 for the purchase and apply fiber reinforced microsurfacing for various Ulster County roadways.

Resolution No. 59: Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For Rates Anticipated To Exceed \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Gorman Bros., Inc. – Department Of Public Works

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment with Gorman Bros. for rates anticipated to exceed \$50,000 for crack sealing for certain Ulster County roadways.

Motion No. 50: MOTION TO BLOCK Resolution Nos. 56, 57, 58 & 59
Motion By: Legislator Walter
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Cahill

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter

Voting Against: None

Votes in Favor: 4

Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolutions BLOCKED

Motion No. 51: MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution Nos. 56, 57, 58 & 59
Motion By: Legislator Walter
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Cahill

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter

Voting Against: None

Votes in Favor: 4

Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolutions ADOPTED

Resolution No. 60: Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$32,000.00, Causing The Aggregate Contract Plus Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00, Entered Into By The County – Peak Power Systems, Inc. – Department Of Public Works

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment for \$32,000 with Peak Power Systems, Inc. to expand the scope of services for preventative maintenance and repair service for electrical generators

Motion No. 52: MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 60
Motion By: Legislator Walter
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Cahill

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter

Voting Against: None

Votes in Favor: 4

Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution ADOPTED

Resolution No. 61: 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 for rates anticipated to exceed \$50,000 with Peckham Road Corp. for chip sealing services.

Motion No. 53: MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 61

Motion By: Legislator Walter

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter

Voting Against: None

Votes in Favor: 4

Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution ADOPTED

Resolution No. 62: Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For Rates Anticipated To Exceed \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Sullivan County Paving & Construction, Inc. – Department Of Public Works

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment for rates anticipated to exceed \$50,000 with Sullivan County Paving & Construction, Inc. for in-place paving of various County Roads.

Motion No. 54: MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 400

Motion By: Legislator Walter

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter

Voting Against: None

Votes in Favor: 4

Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution ADOPTED

Resolution No. 63: 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 for rates anticipated to exceed \$50,000 with Highway Rehabilitation Corp. for hot-in-place asphalt recycling of various County roads.

Motion No. 55: MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 400
Motion By: Legislator Walter
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution ADOPTED

Resolution No. 64: Supporting A Grant Application To The NYS Department Of Transportation To Apply, Accept And Administer Public Transportation Accelerated Transit Capital Grant Funding, And Authorizing The Ulster County Executive To Execute Any Required Applications Or Agreements To Accept Funding - Department Of Public Transportation (UCAT)

Resolution Summary: This Resolution supports a grant application to the NYS Department of Transportation to apply, accept, and administer public transportation accelerated transit capital grant funding for amounts anticipated to be \$168,239.

Motion No. 56: MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 64
Motion By: Legislator Walter
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Cahill

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution ADOPTED

Resolution No. 65: Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The New York State Department Of Transportation To Accept New York State Funds For Ulster And Dutchess County Public Transit Service (LINK) – Department Of Public Transportation (Ulster County Area Transit)

Resolution Summary: This Resolution authorizes the Chair of the Ulster County Legislature to execute an agreement with the New York State Department of Transportation to accept New York State Funds for Ulster and Dutchess County Public Transit Service in the amount of \$360,000.

Motion No. 57: MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 65
Motion By: Legislator Walter
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution ADOPTED**

Resolution No. 66: Supporting A Grant Application To The NYS Department Of Transportation To Apply, Accept And Administer Public Transportation Modernization And Enhancement Funding For Bus & Bus Facilities Capital Investment Program And Authorizing The Ulster County Executive To Execute Any Required Applications Or Agreements To Accept Funding - Department Of Public Transportation (UCAT)

Resolution Summary: This Resolution supports a grant application to the New York State Department of Transportation to apply, accept, and administer public transportation modernization and enhancement funding for bus and bus facilities anticipated to be \$982,170.

Motion No. 58: **MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 66**
Motion By: Legislator Walter
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution ADOPTED**

Resolution No. 67: Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement, And Any Amendments Thereto, With The New York State Division Of Homeland Security And Emergency Services For Participation In The FY2020 Cyber Security Grant Program – Department Of Information Services

Resolution Summary: This Resolution authorizes 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 FY2020 Cyber Security Grant of \$50,000.

Motion No. 59: **MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 67**
Motion By: Legislator Walter
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution ADOPTED**

Resolution No. 68: Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$64,880.00 Entered Into By The County – AssetWorks LLC – Department Of Information Services

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract with AssetWorks LLC in the amount of \$64,880 for telematics & samsara adaptor license, implementation, and subscription.

Motion No. 60: MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 68
Motion By: Legislator Walter
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution ADOPTED

Resolution No. 69: Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$111,240.00 Entered Into By The County – ClearGov, Inc. – Department Of Information Services

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment with ClearGov, Inc. in the amount of \$111,240 to extend the term of agreement and increase funding for budgeting software licensing.

Motion No. 61: MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 69
Motion By: Legislator Walter
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Cahill

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution ADOPTED

Resolution No. 70: Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$8,800.00, Causing The Aggregate Contract Plus Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00, Entered Into By The County – Trapeze Software Group, Inc. – Department Of Information Services

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment for \$8,800 with Trapeze Software Group, Inc for fleet scheduling and routing software license, support and maintenance agreement.

Motion No. 62: MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 70

Motion By: Legislator Walter
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: Legislative Chair Bartels explained to the committee that this contract is on an automatic renewal and hasn't been coming before the Legislature and only is currently because there is an actual change that is discussed in the amendment. Legislative Chair Bartels expressed that she did not believe the oversight was intentional, however it is inappropriate and needs to be reviewed to see if this mistake exists anywhere else within the county.

Deputy County Executive Kelly agreed to review the issue.

Chair Gavaris was under the impression that in New York State an automatic renewal agreement could not be longer than five years.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution ADOPTED**

Resolution No. 71: Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Enter Into Agreements With The Villages Of Ellenville, New Paltz, And Saugerties Relating To The Enforcement Of Real Property Tax Liens Under Article 11, Sections 1102, 1110 And 1150 Of The New York State Real Property Tax Law – Department Of Finance

Resolution Summary: This Resolution authorizes the Chair of the Ulster County Legislature to enter into agreements with the Villages of Ellenville, New Paltz, and Saugerties relating to the enforcement of real property tax liens.

Motion No. 63: **MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 71**
Motion By: Legislator Walter
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution ADOPTED**

Resolution No. 72: Authorizing The Conveyance Of County-Owned Property To The Original Owner – Department Of Finance

Resolution Summary: This Resolution authorizes the conveyance of county-owned property to the original owner for \$37,944.76 of previously unpaid taxes.

Motion No. 64: MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 72

Motion By: Legislator Walter

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Cahill

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter

Voting Against: None

Votes in Favor: 4

Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution ADOPTED

Resolution No. 75: Adopting Proposed Local Law No. 13 Of 2022, A Local Law Adopting Recommendations Of The Periodic Compensation Review Committee And Applying Salary Revisions For Certain Elected Ulster County Officials Serving For Fixed Terms

Resolution Summary: This Resolution adopts Proposed Local Law No. 13 of 2022, adopting the recommendations of the periodic compensation review committee and applies salary revisions for certain elected Ulster County officials.

Motion No. 65: MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 75

Motion By: Legislator Walter

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Cahill

Discussion: Legislative Chair Bartels explained that this local law takes the recommendations of the periodic compensation review committee and applies them to all pertinent elected officials and does not typically vote on her own salary increase within an existing term but does agree that the legislature deserves the modest increase and is paid less than neighboring counties.

Chair Gavaris also expressed issue with voting for a salary increase for the current term and not a future term.

Legislator Walter noted that she didn't like that the salary increases were listed together as she doesn't want the other elected officials to be affected.

Legislator Uchitelle clarified that this is the process that is outlined in the charter and that the process itself should change if there are issues with the process.

Legislative Cahill noted that removing the legislature from the Resolution would be a substantive change and require a new public hearing.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, & Walter

Voting Against: None

Votes in Favor: 4

Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution ADOPTED

Chairman Gavaris moved on to the Forthcoming Local Laws portion of the agenda.

Resolution No. 461 of 2022: Adopting Revised Ulster County Fund Balance Policy To Dedicate Funding To Housing Justice

(No Action in Health, Human Services, & Housing Committee on 2/1/2023)

Resolution No. 541 of 2022 – Amending The 2022 - 2027 2023 – 2028 Capital Improvement Program – Amending Capital Project No. 604 – ARPA Water And Sewer Infrastructure – Amending The 2022 2023 Capital Fund Budget – Department Of Finance

(No Action in Public Works, Capital Projects & Transportation Committee on 2/6/2023)

Resolution No. 553 of 2022 - Establishing A Policy To Require Public Notification Of Changes To Ulster County Area Transit Bus Routes And Schedules

(No Action in Public Works, Capital Projects & Transportation Committee on 2/6/2023)

Comptroller Gallagher informed the committee that \$163 Million was collected of \$143 Million Budgeted for sales tax, for 2022, and there is still one final payment yet to be received. Occupancy Tax is at \$3.6 Million or 126% of its budgeted value but Comptroller Gallagher does not believe that the full short-term rental market is being captured and is being reviewed by the Comptroller’s Office. In addition, \$1.2 Million of interest income has been earned since the increased rate at Bank of Green County, however, an additional \$280,000 could have been earned by investing with NYCLASS.

Comptroller Gallagher noted that the Comptrollers Office is finalizing their delinquent real property tax audit and the annual risk assessment process is well underway and encouraged all legislators to reach out at any point.

Comptroller Gallagher informed the committee that the new state budget radically changes the in-rem process and puts a huge burden on the Commissioner of Finance by taking the equity realized from the sale of a foreclosed property and gives it back to the taxpayer instead of the county. All liens will need to be reviewed for residential and commercial properties and will cost the county money. Legislative Chair Bartels confirmed that the equity transferred to the previous homeowner is the sale price less back taxes and fees. Commissioner of Finance Gulnick expressed several areas of concerns including a scenario where an owner creates a LLC and puts a lien on their own property. Commissioner of Finance Gulnick also noted that the New York State Association of Counties (NYSAC) has been collecting the input from counties.

Commissioner of Finance Gulnick added that the rates for assigned council are moving from \$75 to \$158 per hour. Legislative Chair Bartels requested a memo that quantifies the changes.

Chairman Gavaris asked if there was any old or new business.

Adjournment

Motion Made By: Legislator Cahill

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Walter

No. of Votes in Favor: 4

No. of Votes Against: 0

TIME: 6:54 PM

Respectfully submitted: Natalie Kelder
Minutes Approved: March 7, 2023