

## Ways & Means Committee Special Meeting Minutes

**DATE & TIME:** October 30, 2024 – 4:45 PM  
**LOCATION(S):** KL Binder Library, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, County Office Building, Kingston  
Livestreamed at <https://www.youtube.com/@UlsterCountyLegislature/streams>  
**PRESIDING OFFICER:** Chair Gavaris  
**LEGISLATIVE STAFF:** Natalie Kelder, Legislative Financial Analyst,  
Tyron Rogers, Legislative Tech Support Specialist  
**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Legislators Collins, Criswell, Hansut, Kovacs, Nolan & Roberts  
**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None  
**QUORUM PRESENT:** Yes

**OTHER ATTENDEES:** Legislator Levine, Deputy County Executives Contreras, Capuano, Comptroller Gallagher, Deputy Comptroller Dinstuhl, Commissioner of Finance, Budget Director Juras, Commissioner of Finance Roseann Daw, Director of Purchasing Edward Jordan, Deputy Director of Purchasing Peter Esposito, Personnel Director Dawn Spader,

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Complete content of the meeting can be accessed via the Ulster County Legislature’s YouTube channel at <https://www.youtube.com/@UlsterCountyLegislature/streams>

Chair Gavaris called the meeting to order at 5:09 PM.

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Department heads under the committee’s purview were in attendance to discuss the County Executive’s Proposed 2025 Budget and Proposed 2025-2030 Capital Program as it pertained to their departments.

Order of appearance:

1. Department of Information Services - Director Alan Macaluso
2. Comptroller – Comptroller March Gallagher
3. Department of Personnel – Director Dawn Spader
4. Department of Purchasing/ Newly Proposed Department of General Services – Director Ed Jordan
5. Department of Finance & Real Property – Commissioner of Finance Roseann Daw
6. Department of Budget – Director Ken Juras

The following questions were asked of each department:

- Did you make any requests that were not included in the Proposed Budget or Capital Program?
- Are there any new programs, projects or initiatives planned for 2025? Any being eliminated?
- Do you feel the Proposed 2025 Budget and, if applicable, Capital Program, for your department is right-sized, including staffing, for your needs/workload?

Department responses and committee discussion can be via the Ulster County Legislature’s YouTube channel at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ollquQSF0fM>

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## **Adjournment**

**Motion Made By:** Legislator Collins  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Roberts  
**Votes in Favor:** 7  
**Votes Against:** 0

**TIME:** 6:28 PM

**Respectfully Submitted:** Natalie Kelder, Legislative Financial Analyst  
**Prepared By:** Lizvett Noriega, Legislative Administrative Assistant  
**Adopted:** December 12, 2024