

**Ways & Means Committee  
Regular Meeting Minutes**

**DATE & TIME:** June 6, 2023 – 5:00 PM  
**LOCATION:** KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building  
**PRESIDING OFFICER:** Chair Gavaris  
**LEGISLATIVE STAFF:** Natalie Kelder, Legislative Financial Analyst  
**PRESENT:** Legislators Cahill, Criswell, Roberts & Ronk  
**ABSENT:** None  
**QUORUM PRESENT:** Yes

**OTHER ATTENDEES:** Legislators Bowen, Erner, Heppner, Levine, Nolan, Petit, & Uchitelle, Legislative Counsel Gordon & Pascale, Deputy Clerk Feaster – UC Clerk of the Legislature’s Office, Deputy County Executive Contreras, Kelly, & LaValle – UC Executive’s Office, Comptroller Gallagher & Deputy Comptroller DeMarco – UC Comptroller’s Office, Director Doyle – UC Planning Department, Interim Commissioner of Finance Juras UC Department of Finance, Roseann Daw – Executive nominee for Commissioner of Finance, Cheryl Schneider – UC Constituent

Chair Gavaris called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM

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Resolutions for the June 13, 2023 Session of the Legislature

**Motion No. 1:** **MOTION TO APPROVE the Special Meeting Minutes of May 3, 2023, and the May 9, 2023 and May 16, 2023 Regular Meetings Minutes**

**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Criswell

**Discussion:** None  
**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Cahill, Criswell, Gavaris, Roberts, & Roberts  
**Voting Against:** None  
**Votes in Favor:** 5  
**Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** **Minutes APPROVED**

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

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

**Motion No. 2:** **MOTION TO DISCUSS Resolution No. 486 OF 2022**  
**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Roberts

**Discussion:** None

**Motion No. 3:** **MOTION TO POSTPONE Resolution No. 486 OF 2022 FOR 1 MONTH**

**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Roberts

**Discussion:** Legislator Uchitelle confirmed that the committee is awaiting an update from the county executive's team.

Comptroller Gallagher noted that the policy is modeled after a municipality with a different form of government than Ulster County.

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Cahill, Criswell, Gavaris, Roberts, & Ronk  
**Voting Against:** None  
**Votes in Favor:** 5  
**Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** **Resolution POSTPONED FOR 1 MONTH**

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**Resolution No. 123:** Establishing A Policy To Formalize Procedures Relating To Future Hiring Freezes

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution establishes a policy to formalize procedures relating to future hiring freezes.

**Motion No. 4:** **MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 123**  
**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Roberts

**Discussion:** None

**Motion No. 5:** **MOTION TO POSTPONE Resolution No. 123 FOR 1 MONTH**  
**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Cahill

**Discussion:** None

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Cahill, Criswell, Gavaris, Roberts, & Ronk  
**Voting Against:** None  
**Votes in Favor:** 5  
**Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** **Resolution POSTPONED FOR 1 MONTH**

**Motion No. 6:** **MOTION TO RECONSIDER Resolution No. 123 FOR 1 MONTH**  
**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Roberts

**Discussion:** Legislator Petit informed the committee that the language questions have been worked out with the executive's office.

The committee agreed to postpone for one week to ensure that everyone has reviewed the amended version.

**Motion No. 7:** MOTION TO POSTPONE Resolution No. 123 FOR 1 WEEK  
**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Roberts

**Discussion:** None

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Cahill, Criswell, Gavaris, Roberts, & Ronk  
**Voting Against:** None  
**Votes in Favor:** 5  
**Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** Resolution POSTPONED FOR 1 WEEK

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**Resolution No. 199:** Establishing A Policy To Provide Healthy, Locally Sourced Food To Those Facing Food Insecurity, Through Community Supported Agriculture

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution establishes a policy to provide health, locally sourced food to those facing food insecurity through community supported agriculture.

**Motion No. 8:** MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 199, AS PRESENTED  
**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Roberts

**Discussion:** None

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Cahill, Criswell, Gavaris, Roberts, & Ronk  
**Voting Against:** None  
**Votes in Favor:** 5  
**Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** Resolution ADOPTED, AS PRESENTED

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**Resolution No. 305:** Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$56,000.00 ~~\$37,509.50,~~ Causing The Aggregate Contract Plus Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00, Entered Into By The County – C & S Engineers, Inc. – Department of Public Works

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment in the amount of \$56,000.00 with C & S Engineers, Inc. for an expanded scope for the Radio Tower at Tonche Mountain, such as additional site visits, a new topographic survey, additional simulations and meetings.

**Motion No. 9:** MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 305  
**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Roberts

**Discussion:** None

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Cahill, Criswell, Gavaris, Roberts, & Ronk  
**Voting Against:** None  
**Votes in Favor:** 5

**Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** Resolution ADOPTED

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**Resolution No. 322:** Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Intermunicipal Agreement With The Town Of Gardiner, As An ARPA-SLFRF Subrecipient, To Fund The Rehabilitation Of An Existing Sewer District – 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 Gardiner for \$148,896 of American Rescue Plan funds for water and sewer projects.

**Resolution No. 323:** Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Intermunicipal Agreement With The Town Of Saugerties, As An ARPA-SLFRF Subrecipient, To Fund The Extension Of The Kings Highway Water And Sewer System – 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 Saugerties for \$364,297 of American Rescue Plan funds for water and sewer projects.

**Resolution No. 324:** Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Intermunicipal Agreement With The Town Of Shawangunk, As An ARPA-SLFRF Subrecipient, To Fund The Extension Of The Route 208 South Sewer Extension – 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 Shawangunk for \$500,000 of American Rescue Plan funds for the extension of Route 208 South Sewer.

**Resolution No. 325:** Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Intermunicipal Agreement With The Town Of Wawarsing, As An ARPA-SLFRF Subrecipient, To Fund The Rehabilitation Of Two Wells Part Of The Napanoch Water District – 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 Wawarsing for \$24,361 of American Rescue Plan funds for the rehabilitation of two wells as part of the Napanoch Water District.

**Resolution No. 326:** Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Intermunicipal Agreement With The Town Of Woodstock, As An ARPA-SLFRF Subrecipient, To Fund The Replacement Of A Well Supply For The Woodstock Water District – 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 Woodstock for \$66,000 of American Rescue Plan funds for the replacement of a well supply.

**Motion No. 10:** MOTION TO BLOCK Resolution No. 322, 323, 324, 325, & 326  
**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Roberts

**Discussion:** None

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Cahill, Criswell, Gavaris, Roberts, & Ronk  
**Voting Against:** None  
**Votes in Favor:** 5  
**Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** Resolution BLOCKED

**Motion No. 11:** MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 322, 323, 324, 325, & 326  
**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Roberts

**Discussion:** None

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Cahill, Criswell, Gavaris, Roberts, & Ronk  
**Voting Against:** None  
**Votes in Favor:** 5  
**Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** Resolutions ADOPTED

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**Resolution No. 328:** Adopting Proposed Local Law No. 4 Of 2023, A Local Law Amending The Ulster County Charter, (Local Law No. 2 Of 2006), And Amending The Administrative Code For The County Of Ulster, (Local Law No. 10 Of 2008), To Establish The Department Of Budget

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution adopts Proposed Local Law No. 4 of 2023, amends the Ulster County Charter and Administrative Code to establish the Department of Budget.

**Motion No. 12:** MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 328  
**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Cahill

**Discussion:** None

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Cahill, Criswell, Gavaris, Roberts, & Ronk  
**Voting Against:** None  
**Votes in Favor:** 5  
**Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** Resolution ADOPTED

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**Resolution No. 332:** Approving An Increase In Funding For Capital Project No. 541 - SUNY Ulster – Facilities Equipment, And Amending The 2023 Ulster County Capital Fund – Ulster County Community College

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution approves a \$300,000 increase for Capital Project No. 541, SUNY Ulster Facilities Equipment, and amends the 2023 Ulster County Capital Fund, for the purchase of vehicles.

**Resolution No. 334:** Establishing Capital Project No. 672 SUNY Ulster – Wayfinding - Amending The 2023 Capital Fund Budget – SUNY Ulster

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution establishes Capital Project No. 672, SUNY Ulster – Wayfinding, in the amount of \$250,000 for architectural services.

**Motion No. 13:** MOTION TO BLOCK Resolution Nos. 332 & 334  
**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Criswell

**Discussion:** None

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Cahill, Criswell, Gavaris, Roberts, & Ronk  
**Voting Against:** None  
**Votes in Favor:** 5  
**Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** Resolutions BLOCKED

**Motion No. 14:** MOTION TO POSTPONE Resolution Nos. 332 & 334 FOR 1 WEEK  
**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Criswell

**Discussion:** None

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Cahill, Criswell, Gavaris, Roberts, & Ronk  
**Voting Against:** None  
**Votes in Favor:** 5  
**Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** Resolutions POSTPONED FOR 1 WEEK

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**Resolution No. 336:** Adopting The Ulster County Department Of Health And Emergency Services Medical Reserve Corps Unit Organization And General Operation Policy – Department Of Emergency Services

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution adopts a Medical Reserve Corps Policy for volunteers in the support of the County’s Department of Health and Department of Emergency Services with promoting health, preserving life, and preventing disability during times of disaster and/or community need.

**Motion No. 15:** MOTION TO DISCUSS Resolution No. 336  
**Motion By:** Legislator Cahill  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Ronk

**Discussion:** Legislator Criswell questioned if the permanent resident clause is necessary and showed concern for the potential risk the county is assuming.

Deputy County Executive Contreras explained that there is a series of FEMA type trainings that the members will have to complete, and industry best practices are being followed but agreed to look into it further.

**Motion No. 16:** **MOTION TO POSTPONE Resolution No. 336 FOR 1 WEEK**  
**Motion By:** Legislator Criswell  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Ronk

**Discussion:** None

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Cahill, Criswell, Gavaris, Roberts, & Ronk  
**Voting Against:** None  
**Votes in Favor:** 5  
**Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** **Resolution POSTPONED FOR 1 WEEK**

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**Resolution No. 337:** Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Intermunicipal Agreement With The City Of Kingston, Where The County Is A Subrecipient Of The City's ARPA-SLFRF Funds, For The Renovation Of Elizabeth Manor, 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 City of Kingston, for \$500,000 of American Rescue Plan funds, to partially fund the renovations and administer the development and renovation of 21 Elizabeth Street, located in Kingston.

**Motion No. 17:** **MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 337**  
**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Roberts

**Discussion:** None

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Cahill, Criswell, Gavaris, & Roberts  
**Voting Against:** Legislator Ronk  
**Votes in Favor:** 4  
**Votes Against:** 1  
**Disposition:** **Resolution ADOPTED**

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**Resolution No. 338:** Approving The Execution Of An Amendment To The Intermunicipal Agreement With The City Of Kingston To Support The Pilot Program: Kingston Mobile Mental Health Team – Department Of Mental Health

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution approves the execution of an amendment to the intermunicipal agreement with the City of Kingston for the Kingston Mobile Mental Health Team for to extend the term through December 31, 2024 and utilize \$99,311 of previously budgeted State pass through funds.

**Motion No. 18:** **MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 338**  
**Motion By:** Legislator Cahill

**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Ronk

**Discussion:** None

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Cahill, Criswell, Gavaris, Roberts, & Ronk

**Voting Against:** None

**Votes in Favor:** 5

**Votes Against:** 0

**Disposition:** **Resolution ADOPTED**

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**Resolution No. 339:** Amending The 2023 Ulster County Budget To Accept Additional Funding From The New York State Office Of Mental Health For Increased Funding For Minimum Wage Personnel Services Enhancements – Department Of Mental Health

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution amends the 2023 Ulster County Budget to accept additional funding from the New York State Office of Mental Health for increased funding for minimum wage personnel in the amount of \$11,376.

**Motion No. 19:** **MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 339**

**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk

**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Criswell

**Discussion:** None

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Cahill, Criswell, Gavaris, Roberts, & Ronk

**Voting Against:** None

**Votes in Favor:** 5

**Votes Against:** 0

**Disposition:** **Resolution ADOPTED**

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**Resolution No. 340:** Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$257,767.00 Entered Into By The County – Astor Services For Children & Families – Department Of Mental Health

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment with Astor Services, in the amount of \$257,767, to add the school-based mental health satellite clinic and to increase the not-to-exceed value of various existing programs.

**Motion No. 20:** **MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 340**

**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk

**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Criswell

**Discussion:** None

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Cahill, Criswell, Gavaris, Roberts, & Ronk

**Voting Against:** None

**Votes in Favor:** 5

**Votes Against:** 0

**Disposition:** **Resolution ADOPTED**



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**Resolution No. 341:** Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$485.00, Causing The Aggregate Contract Plus Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00, Entered Into By The County – Family Of Woodstock Inc. – Department Of Mental Health

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment with Family of Woodstock, in the amount of \$485, for an increase of New York State Office of Mental Health aid for personal services enhancement.

**Motion No. 21:** MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 341

**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk

**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Criswell

**Discussion:** None

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Cahill, Criswell, Gavaris, Roberts, & Ronk

**Voting Against:** None

**Votes in Favor:** 5

**Votes Against:** 0

**Disposition:** Resolution ADOPTED

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**Resolution No. 342:** Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$320,100.00, Entered Into By The County – Family Of Woodstock Inc. – Department Of Social Services

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment with Family of Woodstock, in the amount of \$320,100 for emergency services to homeless individuals during inclement weather as part of the county’s Code Blue plan.

**Motion No. 22:** MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 342

**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk

**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Criswell

**Discussion:** None

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Cahill, Criswell, Gavaris, Roberts, & Ronk

**Voting Against:** None

**Votes in Favor:** 5

**Votes Against:** 0

**Disposition:** Resolution ADOPTED

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**Resolution No. 343:** Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$100,000.00, Entered Into By The County – Family Of Woodstock Inc. – Department Of Social Services

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment with Family of Woodstock, in the amount of \$100,000 for emergency shelter.

**Motion No. 23:** MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 343

**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Criswell

**Discussion:** None

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Cahill, Criswell, Gavaris, Roberts, & Ronk  
**Voting Against:** None  
**Votes in Favor:** 5  
**Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** **Resolution ADOPTED**

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**Resolution No. 344:** Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$1,400,000.00, Entered Into By The County – Gateway Community Industries, Inc. D/B/A Gateway Hudson Valley – Office For The Aging

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment with Gateway Hudson Valley, in the amount of \$1,400,000 to extend the term of the agreement through May 31, 2024, and increase the price per meal.

**Motion No. 24:** **MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 344**  
**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Cahill

**Discussion:** Legislator Ronk asked if this was the last option to renew prior to issuing a new Request for Proposal (RFP) and if lack of bidders would still be a concern. Deputy Executive Contreras informed the committee that there would be an upcoming RFP later this year and it would be broken out so a firm could bid for the entire project or a subset.

Legislator Cahill confirmed that only one vendor is used currently but the future model may allow for multiple local vendors to serve their individual areas. Legislator Cahill also reminded the committee of the project resilience model that utilized local restaurants.

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Cahill, Criswell, Gavaris, Roberts, & Ronk  
**Voting Against:** None  
**Votes in Favor:** 5  
**Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** **Resolution ADOPTED**

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**Resolution No. 345:** Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$133,088.34, Entered Into By The County – Family Of Woodstock Inc. – Youth Bureau

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution approves the execution of a contract with Family of Woodstock, in the amount of \$133,088.34, for emergency residential and related respite services to runaway and homeless youth.

**Resolution No. 346:** Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$84,375.00, Entered Into By The County – Family Of Woodstock Inc. – Youth Bureau

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution approves the execution of a contract with Family of Woodstock, for \$84,375, for the transitional living program, which includes long term adolescent residential, transitional living, and non-residential case management for runaway and homeless youth.

**Motion No. 25:** MOTION TO BLOCK Resolution Nos. 345 & 346  
**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Cahill

**Discussion:** None

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Cahill, Criswell, Gavaris, Roberts, & Ronk  
**Voting Against:** None  
**Votes in Favor:** 5  
**Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** Resolutions BLOCKED

**Motion No. 26:** MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution Nos. 345 & 346  
**Motion By:** Legislator Cahill  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Ronk

**Discussion:** None

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Cahill, Criswell, Gavaris, Roberts, & Ronk  
**Voting Against:** None  
**Votes in Favor:** 5  
**Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** Resolutions ADOPTED

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**Resolution No. 347:** Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$55,575.00, Entered Into By The County – Capital Market Advisors, LLC – Legislature

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution approves the execution of a contract with Capital Market Advisors, LLC, in the amount of \$55,575 for the external analysis of the Ulster County Executive Recommended Budget.

**Motion No. 27:** MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 347  
**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Roberts

**Discussion:** Legislator Ronk stated his preference to invest in the Clerk of the Legislature staff.

Legislator Criswell informed the committee that after looking into the topic, many of the consultant recommendations have been implemented. Legislator Criswell suggested perhaps doing both, having an outside agency but also investing in the Clerk of the Legislature staff.

Legislator Uchitelle pointed out that the consultants suggested raising the occupancy tax.

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Cahill, Criswell, & Gavaris  
**Voting Against:** Legislators Roberts & Ronk  
**Votes in Favor:** 3  
**Votes Against:** 2  
**Disposition:** **Resolution ADOPTED**

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**Resolution No. 350:** Conveying Parcel Of County-Owned Real Property Acquired Pursuant To Article 11 Of The Real Property Tax Law For Unpaid Taxes To The Town Of Shandaken – Department Of The Environment

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution conveys a parcel of county-owned property to the Town of Shandaken in exchange for \$100.

**Motion No. 28:** **MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 350**  
**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Cahill

**Discussion:** None

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Cahill, Criswell, Gavaris, Roberts, & Ronk  
**Voting Against:** None  
**Votes in Favor:** 5  
**Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** **Resolution ADOPTED**

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**Resolution No. 352:** Amending Capital Project No. 482 – Countywide Radio System – Amending The 2023 Capital Fund Budget – Department Of Emergency Services

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution amends Capital Project No. 482, the Countywide Radio System, in the amount of \$299,999, to make changes to the land mobile radio system.

**Motion No. 29:** **MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 352**  
**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Cahill

**Discussion:** Legislator Criswell asked if all purchases would work with the new Government Operations Center (GOC). Legislator Uchitelle confirmed that this amendment is for the Golden Hill site, which would still be operational after the new GOC is up and running. Legislator Ronk added that the radio upgrade is completely necessary, as the current low band system is inadequate, and all purchases are looking towards the future.

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Cahill, Criswell, Gavaris, Roberts, & Ronk  
**Voting Against:** None

**Votes in Favor:** 5  
**Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** **Resolution ADOPTED**

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**Resolution No. 354:** Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With Ulster County Board Of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) To Provide Two (2) Deputy Sheriff's As School Resource Officers To Three (3) BOCES Locations – Ulster County Sheriff

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution authorizes the Chair of the Ulster County Legislature to execute an agreement with the Ulster County Board of Cooperative Educational Services to provide two Deputy Sheriff's as School Resource Officers to three locations.

**Motion No. 30:** **MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 354**  
**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Cahill

**Discussion:** None

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Cahill, Criswell, Gavaris, Roberts, & Ronk  
**Voting Against:** None  
**Votes in Favor:** 5  
**Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** **Resolution ADOPTED**

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**Resolution No. 355:** Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$11,858.00, Causing The Aggregate Contract Plus Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00, Entered Into By The County – New York Communications Company, Inc. – Ulster County Sheriff

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment in the amount of \$11,858 to add four additional radio packages.

**Motion No. 31:** **MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 355**  
**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Cahill

**Discussion:** None

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Cahill, Criswell, Roberts, & Ronk  
**Voting Against:** Legislator Gavaris  
**Votes in Favor:** 4  
**Votes Against:** 1  
**Disposition:** **Resolution ADOPTED**

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**Resolution No. 356:** Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$147,069.00 Entered Into By The County – Tyler Technologies, Inc. – Ulster County Sheriff

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment with Tyler Technologies, Inc, in the amount of \$147,069, to include Brazos, eCitation, and eCrash softwares and extend the term of the contract through December 31, 2024.

**Motion No. 32:** MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 356

**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk

**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Criswell

**Discussion:** None

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Cahill, Criswell, Gavaris, Roberts, & Ronk

**Voting Against:** None

**Votes in Favor:** 5

**Votes Against:** 0

**Disposition:** Resolution ADOPTED

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**Resolution No. 357:** Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$24,000.00, Causing The Aggregate Contract Plus Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00, Entered Into By The County – Verify Polygraph & Forensic Consultants, LLC – Ulster County Sheriff

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment with Verify Polygraph & Forensic Consultants, LLC, in the amount of \$24,000, to extend the term through June 30, 2024 for pre-employment polygraph evaluations of law enforcement applications.

**Motion No. 33:** MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 357

**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk

**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Roberts

**Discussion:** None

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Cahill, Criswell, Gavaris, Roberts, & Ronk

**Voting Against:** None

**Votes in Favor:** 5

**Votes Against:** 0

**Disposition:** Resolution ADOPTED

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**Resolution No. 358:** Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$12,512.51, Causing The Aggregate Contract Plus Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00, Entered Into By The County – Visual Computer Solutions Inc. – Ulster County Sheriff

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment with Visual Computer Solutions Inc., in the amount of \$12,512.51, to extend the term through May 31, 2024 and to increase the not-to-exceed value for licensing, installation, configuration, and maintenance of the Police Officer Scheduling System and Correction Officer Scheduling System.

**Motion No. 34:** MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 358

**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk

**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Roberts

**Discussion:** None  
**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Cahill, Criswell, Gavaris, Roberts, & Ronk  
**Voting Against:** None  
**Votes in Favor:** 5  
**Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** **Resolution ADOPTED**

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**Resolution No. 359:** Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Amend A Contract With The New York State Division Of Criminal Justice Services For The Alternative To Incarceration Program – Department Of Probation

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution authorizes the Chair of the Ulster County Legislature to amend a contract with the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services, in the amount of \$61,769, for the Alternative to Incarceration program.

**Motion No. 35:** **MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 359**  
**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Roberts

**Discussion:** None  
**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Cahill, Criswell, Gavaris, Roberts, & Ronk  
**Voting Against:** None  
**Votes in Favor:** 5  
**Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** **Resolution ADOPTED**

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**Resolution No. 360:** Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$244,425.00 Entered Into By The County – Family Of Woodstock Inc. – Department Of Probation

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment with Family of Woodstock, in the amount of \$244,425, for the operation and implementation of the Alternative to Juvenile Detention Project.

**Motion No. 36:** **MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 360**  
**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Cahill

**Discussion:** None  
**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Cahill, Criswell, Gavaris, Roberts, & Ronk  
**Voting Against:** None  
**Votes in Favor:** 5  
**Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** **Resolution ADOPTED**

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**Resolution No. 361:** Amending The 2023 County Budget To Upgrade A Part-Time Family Court Assistant Public Defender Position To Full-Time And Raise The Pay Rate – Public Defender

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution amends the 2023 County Budget to upgrade a part-time Court Assistant Public Defender to full time and increase the hourly rate for a financial impact of \$19,003 in 2023.

**Motion No. 37:** MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 361

**Motion By:** Legislator Cahill

**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Ronk

**Discussion:** Legislator Ronk commented on the need for this personnel upgrade.

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Cahill, Criswell, Roberts, & Ronk

**Voting Against:** Legislator Gavaris

**Votes in Favor:** 4

**Votes Against:** 1

**Disposition:** Resolution ADOPTED

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**Resolution No. 362:** Authorizing The Conveyance Of County-Owned Properties To The Original Owners – Department Of Finance

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution authorizes the conveyance of county-owned properties to the original owners and accepts unpaid taxes in the amount of \$408,046.

**Motion No. 38:** MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 362

**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk

**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Cahill

**Discussion:** None

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Cahill, Criswell, Gavaris, Roberts, & Ronk

**Voting Against:** None

**Votes in Favor:** 5

**Votes Against:** 0

**Disposition:** Resolution ADOPTED

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**Resolution No. 364:** Establishing A Restricted Capital Reserve Fund For The Government Operations Center Of The County Of Ulster Under Section 6-C Of The New York State General Municipal Law

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution establishes a restricted Capital Reserve Fund for the Government Operations Center in the amount of \$29,000,000.

**Motion No. 39:** MOTION TO REFER Resolution No. 364 to Law Enforcement & Public Safety Committee

**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk

**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Cahill



**Discussion:** None

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Cahill, Criswell, Gavaris, Roberts, & Ronk  
**Voting Against:** None  
**Votes in Favor:** 5  
**Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** **Resolution REFERRED Resolution No. 364 to Law Enforcement & Public Safety Committee**

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**Resolution No. 366:** Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 8 Of 2023, A Local Law Amending The Ulster County Charter, (Local Law No. 2 Of 2006), And Amending The Administrative Code For The County Of Ulster, (Local Law No. 10 Of 2008), To Provide Enhanced Transparency And Accountability Over County Finances, To Be Held On Tuesday, July 18, 2023 At 7:15 PM

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution sets a Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law No. 8 of 2023, amending the Ulster County Charter and Administrative Code to provide enhanced transparency and accountability over county finances.

**Motion No. 40:** **MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 366**  
**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Criswell

**Discussion:** None

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Cahill, Criswell, Gavaris, Roberts, & Ronk  
**Voting Against:** None  
**Votes in Favor:** 5  
**Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** **Resolution ADOPTED**

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**Resolution No. 367:** Amending The 2023 Budget To Provide Funding To The Ulster County Share Of Medicaid In Response To NYS Budget - Department Of Social Services, Division Of Medical Assistance, MMIS

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution amends the 2023 Ulster County Budget to provide funding for the increased share of Medicaid cost with New York State, in the amount of \$769,917.

**Motion No. 41:** **MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 367**  
**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Roberts

**Discussion:** None

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Cahill, Criswell, Gavaris, Roberts, & Ronk  
**Voting Against:** None  
**Votes in Favor:** 5  
**Votes Against:** 0

**Disposition: Resolution ADOPTED**

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**Resolution No. 368:** Establishing A Policy Prohibiting Dual Agency In Real Estate Transactions In Which The County Is A Purchaser, Seller, Lessor Or Lessee

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution establishes a policy prohibiting dual agency in real estate transactions.

**Motion No. 42: MOTION TO DISCUSS Resolution No. 368**

**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk

**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Roberts

**Discussion:** Legislator Criswell asked if this was standard practice. Legislator Ronk suggested postponing it as the sponsor is not present.

**Motion No. 43: MOTION TO POSTPONE Resolution No. 368 FOR 1 WEEK**

**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk

**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Cahill

**Discussion:** None

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Cahill, Criswell, Gavaris, Roberts, & Ronk

**Voting Against:** None

**Votes in Favor:** 5

**Votes Against:** 0

**Disposition: Resolution POSTPONED FOR 1 WEEK**

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**Resolution No. 369:** Establishing A Policy To Provide Legislators With Restricted Access To The New World Financial Management System

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution establishes a policy to provide Legislators with restricted access to the New World Financial Management System.

**Motion No. 44: MOTION TO DISCUSS Resolution No. 369**

**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk

**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Criswell

**Discussion:** Legislator Ronk expressed disapproval as the Clerk of the Legislature staff has access and he dislikes the idea of providing legislators access to the raw data.

Chairman Gavaris acknowledged Legislator Ronk's point but also felt there was not any harm in providing read-only access to legislators and did not see a downside.

Legislator Criswell asked if training would be provided for all legislators.

Legislator Cahill confirmed that the county does not pay per logon, and it is just a general licensing fee. Legislator Cahill also expressed concern regarding the devices in which users are logging in from.

Legislator Criswell expressed concern with the possibility of information being downloaded and widely shared.

Legislator Ronk stated that he was concerned this would cause more problems than it was going to solve and prefers that the requests be filtered through legislative staff.

Legislator Uchitelle agreed that legislative staff is trained on the system and there are more controls on an employee of the county than a legislator.

Chairman Gavaris stated his view that this information is all available to the public through a FOIL (Freedom of Information Law) request.

Legislator Uchitelle noted that FOIL requests are often redacted prior to release, and this could put a legislator in the position where they are responsible for withholding specific information.

**Motion No. 45:** **MOTION TO POSTPONE Resolution No. 369 FOR 1 WEEK**  
**Motion By:** Legislator Gavaris  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Cahill

**Discussion:** None

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Cahill, Criswell, Gavaris, Roberts, & Ronk  
**Voting Against:** None  
**Votes in Favor:** 5  
**Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** **Resolution ADOPTED**

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**Resolution No. 370:** Authorizing Legislative Review Of Certain Non-Commodity Draft Bid Documents

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution authorizes legislative review of certain non-commodity draft bid documents and provides for two legislative appointments to take part in the Request for Proposal / Request for Quote procurement process.

**Motion No. 46:** **MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 370**  
**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Criswell

**Discussion:** Legislator Nolan suggested that this Resolution is illegal.

Legislator Ronk stated that this falls under operations and not policy.

Legislator Petit agreed that commodities would be operations, but this resolution is for non-commodities, and is therefore not overstepping.

Legislator Cahill noted the professionalism of the purchasing employees during the Request for Proposal (RFP) process and agrees that this is overstepping.

Legislator Roberts expressed concern regarding how legislators would impact the process.

Legislator Cahill asked and discussion ensued on the number of bids that would ultimately be affected by this potential change.

**Motion No. 47:** **MOTION TO POSTPONE Resolution No. 370 FOR 1 WEEK**  
**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Criswell

**Discussion:** None

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Cahill, Criswell, Gavaris, Roberts, & Ronk  
**Voting Against:** None  
**Votes in Favor:** 5  
**Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** **Resolution POSTPONED FOR 1 WEEK**

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**Resolution No. 327:** Confirming The Appointment Of Roseann Daw As Commissioner Of Finance

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution confirms Rosann Daw as Commissioner of Finance with an annual salary of \$132,915.

**Motion No. 48:** **MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 327**  
**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Criswell

**Discussion:** Interim Commissioner of Finance Juras introduced Rosann Daw, Comptroller at Ellenville Regional Hospital, as County Executive Metzger’s candidate for the Commissioner of Finance.

Ms. Daw informed the committee that she has over twenty-five years of accounting experience in various positions across a variety of institutions and has obtained a payroll certification. Ms. Daw focused on her management style and the environment she intends to foster.

Legislator Criswell acknowledged the difficulties the department has undergone and asked Ms. Daw how she would approach the first month. Ms. Daw anticipated meeting with individuals, finding out their comfort level, concerns, and knowledge base, and focusing on creating a team environment.

Legislator Cahill asked how Ms. Daw would go about changing the current environment in the Department of Finance. Ms. Daw stated that it will take time and a lot has to do with the interactions of the supervisor and their team, plus transparency of expectations. Ms. Daw shared experiences of former

workplaces where moral was extremely low but was able to turn it around after time.

Legislator Ronk noted that the Commissioner of Finance is responsible to both the county legislature and the county executive and questioned how Ms. Daw would navigate this. Ms. Daw stated that she would do her job the best that she could, and she would strive to provide information to all parties so they can make their decisions.

Legislator Ronk noted the fantastic job that Interim Commissioner of Finance did during this time.

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Cahill, Criswell, Gavaris, Roberts, & Ronk  
**Voting Against:** None  
**Votes in Favor:** 5  
**Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** **Resolution ADOPTED**

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

**Resolution No. 86** - Amending The 2023 Ulster County Budget To Create Two Fully Reimbursable Full-Time Positions – Ulster County Industrial Development Agency  
*(Postponed in Economic Development, Planning, Education, Arts & Agriculture Committee on 5/30/2023)*

**Resolution No. 87** – Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$430,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Ulster County Industrial Development Agency  
*(Postponed in Economic Development, Planning, Education, Arts & Agriculture Committee on 5/30/2023)*

**Resolution No. 126** - Dedicating Funding To Housing Justice  
*(No Action in Health, Human Services & Housing Committee on 5/31/2023)*

**Resolution No. 127** - Establishing A Policy To Prioritize Meals For Ulster County Residents Living In Emergency Housing  
*(No Action in Health, Human Services & Housing Committee on 5/31/2023)*

**Resolution No. 299** - Amending The 2023 Ulster County Budget - Authorizing Payment Of Retroactive COVID Pay – Ulster County  
*(Postponed in Law Enforcement & Public Safety Committee on 6/1/2023)*

**Resolution No. 309** - Placing A Spending Cap Of \$XX,XXX,XXX.00 On All Costs Related To The Proposed Government Operations Center At Paradies Lane In New Paltz  
*(No Action in Law Enforcement & Public Safety Committee on 6/1/2023)*

**Resolution No. 330** - Dedicating Funding To Housing Affordability, Establishing A Policy For Its Use, And Authorizing The Release Of A Notice Of Funding Availability (NOFA) For 2023 – Department Of Planning

*(Postponed in Economic Development, Planning, Education, Arts & Agriculture Committee on 5/30/2023)*

**Resolution No. 331 - Approving The 2023-2024 Ulster County Community College Budget – SUNY Ulster**

*(Postponed in Economic Development, Planning, Education, Arts & Agriculture Committee on 5/30/2023)*

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

**Motion No. 49:** MOTION TO MAINTAIN NON-COUNTY CONTRACT AGENCY FUNDING AT \$919,250 FOR 2024 ULSTER COUNTY BUDGET

**Motion By:** Legislator Ronk

**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Criswell

**Discussion:** None

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Cahill, Criswell, Gavaris, Roberts, & Ronk

**Voting Against:** None

**Votes in Favor:** 5

**Votes Against:** 0

**Disposition:** MOTION TO MAINTAIN NON-COUNTY CONTRACT AGENCY FUNDING AT \$919,250 FOR 2024 ULSTER COUNTY BUDGET

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Comptroller Gallagher informed the committee that audit letters have been issued for CARES funding I & II.

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Director of Planning Doyle provided a summary of the Housing Action Fund.

Director Doyle explained that this fund is in response to the 2021 Housing Action Plan, where it was recommended to establish a housing fund and establish an advisory group in addition to legislative and executive initiatives.

Director Doyle went on to explain that the Resolution would put the monies into an assigned fund balance, which allows a portion of the county fund balance to be set aside for the purpose of housing and it would carry forward from year to year.

The counties who have instituted similar programs and were reviewed were Tompkins, Dutchess, and Westchester Counties.

Legislators Criswell and Cahill confirmed that the money can be moved out of the assigned fund balance if there is an emergency, or the money is no longer deemed necessary for housing.

Legislator Roberts asked if this money would be utilized for new units or assisting existing units. Director Doyle answered that the primary focus is to provide new units or additional housing opportunities and would not be rental assistance.

Legislator Uchitelle explained that the housing action fund makes this process public and the county is alerting the public to the types of things they're looking to accomplish, all while creating the fund and setting the money aside plus establishing a committee of experts that will provide recommendations to the legislature.

Legislator Cahill questioned the amounts that Tompkins County contributed to the housing opportunities and if the low figures would really make a difference in the potential construction. Deputy County Executive Kelly explained that the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit through Homes and Community Renewal is extremely competitive, and part of the decision-making process includes considering local support.

Director Doyle explained the Housing Smart Communities Initiative, which includes 11 municipalities and 12 actions, which has helped create additional affordable housing units within various housing construction projects.

Legislator Cahill noted that there are discrepancies between Towns in that some do more to take care of the homeless population than others and urged all municipalities to step up. Director Doyle noted that there could be incentives but also disincentives to the Towns that don't participate in Housing Smart Communities or have streamlined zoning.

Legislator Roberts asked what types of housing will be built, noting that individuals may take more pride in ownership in a small house over an apartment complex. Director Doyle suggested the combination of having at least one affordable unit per project, gap financing – for low- and moderate-income individuals, and foresees a mix of private and non-profit owners but does not see the county owning many properties.

Legislator Roberts expressed concern with the suggested makeup of the board.

Legislator Erner asked if there were any restrictions on administrative costs or profits, would the county retain an equity, and could county property transfer to private developers. Director Doyle answered that with legislative action, property can transfer from the county to another entity and felt there was public benefit and therefore equity in the creation of the project and does not require ownership to maintain equity. Director Doyle commented on the significant impact of low- and moderate-income housing projects to those individuals.

Chairman Gavaris asked if there was an estimate for administration costs and Director Doyle explained that there is expected to be ½ FTE, potentially located in the Planning Department. Chairman Gavaris expressed serious disbelief that the job would be only ½ FTE.

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## **Adjournment**

**Motion Made By:** Legislator Cahill  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Criswell

**No. of Votes in Favor:** 5  
**No. of Votes Against:** 0

**TIME:** 6:50 PM

**Respectfully submitted: Natalie Kelder**  
**Minutes Approved: July 11, 2023**