

**Ways & Means Committee
Regular Meeting Minutes**

DATE & TIME: February 14, 2023 – 5:15 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, Ronk, & Walter
ABSENT: Legislators Roberts
QUORUM PRESENT: Yes

OTHER ATTENDEES: Legislators Erner, Fabiano, Litts, Nolan, & Uchitelle, Legislative Counsel Gordon & Pascale, Deputy County Executives LaValle – UC Executive’s Office, Comptroller Gallagher & Deputy Comptroller DeMarco – UC Comptroller’s Office, Director Doyle – UC Planning Department, Acting Director Roser – UC Area Transit

Chairman Gavaris called the meeting to order at 5:15 PM

Resolutions for the February 14, 2023 Session of the Legislature

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

Motion No. 1: MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 26
Motion By: Legislator Ronk
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Walter

Discussion: Legislative Chair Bartels noted that the typo was fixed.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, Ronk & Walter
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 5
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution ADOPTED

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 with various municipalities for the operation of the Summer Youth Employment Program, Gun Violence Prevention Initiative, and the Young Adult Employment Program.

Motion No. 2: MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 27

Motion By: Legislator Walter

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Ronk

Discussion: Legislative Chair Bartels informed the committee that the list of communities and organizations is not static and will be distributing the list to all legislators and encourages everyone to discuss the benefits of the program with their communities if they are not already.

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

Voting Against: None

Votes in Favor: 5

Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution ADOPTED

Resolution No. 35: Authorizing The Issuance Of An Additional \$605,235.00 Bonds Of The County Of Ulster, New York, To Pay Part Of The Cost Of The Construction Of The Kingston Rail Trail Project, In And For Said County

Resolution Summary: This Resolution authorizes the issuance of an additional \$605,235 of bonds for the construction of the Kingston Rail Trail, Capital Project No. 334.

Motion No. 3: MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 35

Motion By: Legislator Ronk

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Walter

Discussion: Chair Gavaris informed the committee that he will be voting no on all bonds going forward, until there is a policy on bonding.

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

Voting Against: Legislator Gavaris

Votes in Favor: 4

Votes Against: 1

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 Ulster County Legislature to execute an agreement for the development of a solar array at the Hertel Landfill Site.

Motion No. 4: MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 38

Motion By: Legislator Ronk

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Walter

Discussion: Legislative Chair Bartels noted that this Resolution will allow the application to move forward, and work will continue in the meantime as this is not a binding agreement.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, Ronk, & Walter
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 5
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. 5: **MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 53**
Motion By: Legislator Ronk
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Walter

Discussion: Legislative Chair Bartels noted that the lease expense is fully covered in the sublease.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Cahill, Gavaris, Ronk, & Walter
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 5
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution POSTPONED**

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. 6: **MOTION TO APPROVE Resolution No. 54**
Motion By: Legislator Ronk
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Walter

Discussion: None

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

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

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

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
(Postponed for 1 Month in Ways & Means Committee on 2/7/2023)

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. 486 of 2022 - Adopting The Ulster County Information Services/ Information Technology Security Policy – Department Of Information Services
(Postponed for 1 Month in Ways & Means Committee on 2/7/2023)

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)

Resolution No. 8 - Establishing A Policy Requiring Disclosure Of The Names Of Individuals Holding Ownership Interest In Entities Doing Business With Ulster County
(Postponed for 1 Month in Ways & Means Committee on 2/7/2023)

Resolution No. 42 - Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$400,000.00 Entered Into By The County – RUPCO, Inc. – Department Of Finance – ARPA
(Postponed for 1 Month in Ways & Means Committee on 2/7/2023)

Resolution No. 73 - Establishing A Policy To Prohibit Appointees Of Ulster County Elected Officials And Board Of Elections From Holding Any Elective Public Office Of Any City, Town or Village Within Ulster County
(Postponed in Laws, Rules, & Government Services Committee on 2/9/2023)

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

Adjournment

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

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

TIME: 5:19 PM

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