ULSTER COUNTY LEGISLATURE



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MINUTES

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

TUESDAY, JANUARY 3, 2012

6:00 PM

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY KAREN L. BINDER, CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE: 6:05 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG: Led by former Chairman Peter J. Savago

INVOCATION: Pastor Ian Winter offered the invocation. He is the Pastor of the Maple Ridge Bruderhof Community in Ulster Park and is the Director of Breaking the Cycle of Violence.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF FIRE EVACUATION PLAN

PLEASE NOTE THAT IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY THE FIRE DEPARTMENT HAS REQUESTED THAT LEGISLATORS AND ALL OTHERS MOVE AT LEAST ONE BLOCK AWAY FROM THE COUNTY OFFICE BUILDING IN ORDER NOT TO IMPEDE THE FIREFIGHTERS IN THEIR DUTIES

CELL PHONES

Please silence cell phones for the duration of the Session.

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MICROPHONES

Please be reminded to use your microphones when speaking so that you are recorded for the official records.

ROLL CALL Present: 22 Absent: 1

(Legislator Rodriguez)

(Legislator Rodriguez arrived at 6:42 PM)

SWEARING IN OF LEGISLATORS

BY THE

HON. MARIANNE O. MIZEL FAMILY COURT JUDGE

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NOMINATION OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE ULSTER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Clerk Karen L. Binder announced that nominations were open for the election of the Temporary Chairman.

Legislator Ronk motioned, seconded by Legislator Maio, to nominate Legislator Aiello as Temporary Chair.

Clerk Karen L. Binder asked if there were any other nominations. With no other nominations, the Clerk asked for a motion that nominations be closed.

Legislator Ronk motioned, seconded by Legislator Maio to close the nominations.

MOTION ADOPTED: AYES: 22 NOES: 0

(Absent: Legislator Rodriguez)

Clerk Karen L. Binder appointed an escort committee of Legislators Ronk and Provenzano to accompany Temporary Chairman Aiello to the podium.

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Temporary Chairman Aiello announced that nominations are open for the election of a Permanent Chairman.

Legislator Wawro motioned, seconded by Legislator Provenzano, to nominate Legislator Bernardo.

Temporary Chairman Aiello asked if there were any other nominations. With no other nominations, the Temporary Chairman called for a motion that nominations be closed.

Legislator Ronk motioned, seconded by Legislator Fabiano, to close nominations.

MOTION ADOPTED: AYES: 20 NOES: 2

(Legislators Donaldson and Loughran)

(Absent: Legislator Rodriguez)

Temporary Chairman Aiello appointed an escort committee of Ulster County Clerk Nina Postupack and Ulster County Sheriff Paul VanBlarcum to accompany Chairman Bernardo to the podium.

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CHAIRMAN'S ACCEPTANCE

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THE FOLLOWING DESIGNATIONS ARE ON FILE

Majority Leader – Kenneth J. Ronk, Jr., District No. 13 Minority Leader – David B. Donaldson, District No. 6

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OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS

PUBLICATION OF CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

(R) – Saugerties Post Star(D) – Ulster Publishing

(includes five separate editions in the "Almanac" section)

PUBLICATION OF ELECTION NOTICES OF THE OFFICIAL CANVAS

(R) – Southern Ulster Times (D) – Daily Freeman

MOTION TO DISPENSE WITH THE READING OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

COMMUNICATIONS FROM:

Central Hudson

Enderick I Wednels Chairman (2010/2011)	Appointment to Hymen Dights
Frederick J. Wadnola, Chairman (2010/2011)	Appointment to Human Rights
History Country Domyhlicon I ogislatura	Commission, P. Mountan
Ulster County Republican Legislature	Certification/Designation Majority
	Leader for 2012, Kenneth J. Ronk, Jr.
	Designation of Southern Ulster Times
	as Official Publication for 2012
	Election Notices
	Designation of Saugerties Post Star as Official Publication for 2012
	Concurrent Resolutions Notices
Ulster County Democratic Legislature	Certification / Designation Minority
	Leader for 2012, David B. Donaldson
	Designation of Daily Freeman as
	Official Publication for 2012 Election
	Notices
	Ulster County Democratic Legislature
	Designation of Ulster Publishing
	(includes five separate editions in the
	"Almanac" section) as Official
	Publication for 2012 Concurrent
	Resolution Notices
State of NY Department of State	The Local Government Citizens Re-
	Organization Empowerment Grant and
	The Local Government Efficiency

Grant

Energy Bulletin, December 2011

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COMMUNICATIONS FROM (continued):

Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency Beatrice Havranek, Esq., County Attorney

Town of Lexington Supervisor

Ulster County Regional Chamber of Commerce

C&S Companies

NYS Senator John J. Bonacic

Town of Middletown, Delaware County

NYS Division of Human Rights

Lewis County

Hodgson Russ, LLP

NACo

UCRRA Reports, December 2011 County Action Report, Month of November

Proposal to Allocate Portions of the NYC Land Acquisition Program Funds for Flood Mitigation Watershed Affairs

2012 Business Review and Forecast Ad Cost

Advances, Fall 2011

Letter to DEC Commissioner Urging Consideration of Ulster County

Resolution Nos. 235 & 236

Receipt & Acknowledgement of Resolution No. 237

Resolution: Proposal to Allocate Portions of the NYC Land Acquisition Program Funds for Flood Mitigation Watershed Affairs

Determination & Order of Dismissal

For Lack of Jurisdiction

Resolution No. 462-2011: Calling Upon NYSAC's Executive Committee to Prepare & Disseminate an Action Plan to Bring Mandate Relief to NYS

Counties

UCIDA Central Hudson Gas &

Electric Corporation Project

County News, Vol. 43, No. 24,

December 19, 2011

COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS:

2012 Adopted Budget Relevant to Department

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COMMITTEE REPORTS:

DATE:

Ways & Means

December 19, 2011

PUBLIC COMMENT: There was one speaker at tonight's meeting.

1. James McCasland, Port Ewen, NY:

He is a 36 year resident of Ulster County. His one request this evening is for the Legislature to control spending.

RESOLUTION NOS: 1-6

Resolution No. 1 – Adoption Of Rules Of Order

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE: AYES: 23 NOES: 0

Resolution No. 2 – Creating Standing Committees For The Year 2012

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE: AYES: 23 NOES: 0

Resolution No. 3 – Authorizing The Issuance And Sale Of Up To \$15,000,000.00 Revenue Anticipation Notes Of The County Of Ulster, New York, In Anticipation Of The Collection Or Receipt Of Revenues Estimated To Be Received From Sales And Compensating Use Taxes During The Current Fiscal Year Of Said County

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE: AYES: 23 NOES: 0

(Approved by the County Executive)

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Resolution No. 4 – Authorizing The Issuance And Sale Of Up To \$20,000,000.00 Tax Anticipation Notes Of The County Of Ulster, New York, In Anticipation Of The Collection Or Receipt Of 2012 Real Property Taxes Based On 2011 Real Property Tax Assessments For The Current Fiscal Year Of Said County

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE: AYES: 23 NOES: 0

(Approved by the County Executive)

Resolution No. 5 – Amending The 2012 Ulster County Budget – Department Of Social Services

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE: AYES: 23 NOES: 0

(Approved by the County Executive)

Resolution No. 6 – Designation Of Newspapers

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE: AYES: 23 NOES: 0

(Approved by the County Executive)

MEETING ADJOURNED IN MEMORY OF:

Alden Roosa, Kingston, NY
George H. Jorgensen, Saugerties, NY
Vincent Brancato, Tillson, NY
Elizabeth Hurd, Clintondale, NY
Frieda B. Groeters, Lomontville, NY

Grace W. Winne, Kingston, NY
Thomas J. Wickman, Glenmont, NY
Anne E. Gaffney, Hurley, NY
Roselyn F. Freese, Saugerties, NY
Thomas A. Hricisak, Kingston, NY

BENEDICTION: Rabbi Yitzchok Hecht

Legislator Ronk motioned, seconded by Legislator Donaldson, to adjourn. All in favor.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 7:30 PM

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NEXT MEETING:

The next regular meeting* of the Ulster County Legislature will be held on **Tuesday, January 24, 2012, 7:00 PM** in the Legislative Chambers, Sixth Floor, Ulster County Office Building, 244 Fair Street, Kingston, New York.

*Please note this meeting is being postponed from its original date Tuesday, January 17, 2012.