

Creating Standing Committees For The Year 2013

Legislators Ronk and Maio offer the following:

WHEREAS, Section 154 of County Law of the State of New York provides that the Ulster County Legislature may create standing committees for the purpose of aiding and assisting the Legislature in the transaction of its business; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned State Law requires that “any local law or resolution creating any such committee shall specify the powers, duties and number of its members;” and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the County of Ulster to formally create standing committees for the purpose of aiding and assisting the Ulster County Legislature in the transaction of its business; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that all standing committees for the year 2013 are hereby set forth as follows and described below:

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM

To set legislative policy for all aspects of Economic Development, Tourism, and Planning. Responsible for issues pertaining to: Ulster County Industrial Development Agency, Ulster County Development Corporation, Employment and Training, and Public Transportation. To foster relations with the County and local Chambers of Commerce.

ENVIRONMENTAL, ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGY

To set policy pertaining to the Department of the Environment, Environmental Management Council, Fish and Wildlife Management Board, Forest Practice Board and Soil and Water Conservation District, including the protection of water ways and the County’s recycling efforts. To set policy and review contracts pertaining to but not limited to the activities of the Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency and the Department of Information Services.

HEALTH AND PERSONNEL

To set policy for and review contracts pertaining to the following County Departments: Health, Mental Health, Residential Health Care Facilities, and Personnel.

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LAW ENFORCEMENT AND PUBLIC SAFETY

To set policy and review contracts pertaining to the following County Departments: Ulster County Sheriff and the Law Enforcement Center, Probation, Emergency Communications/Emergency Management, Arson Task Force, Traffic Safety, Fire Coordinator, District Attorney, and Public Defender.

LAWS AND RULES, GOVERNMENTAL SERVICES

To set policy and review contracts pertaining to the following County Departments: Board of Elections, Consumer Fraud Bureau (including Weights and Measures), Human Rights, Insurance and Safety. To be liaison from Legislature to the Charter Revision Commission and the Special Committee to Update the Administrative Code. To oversee Legislative policy and revisions the Legislature wants to see implemented in the Ulster County Charter and the Administrative Code. To review and maintain the Rules of the Legislature and to review and approve all local laws. To approve all late resolutions, considering lateness and content prior to submittal to the full Legislature. To approve resolutions required to be referred to it under the Rules of the Legislature as adopted and amended from time to time. These shall include but not be limited to late filed resolutions under the Rules of the Legislature adopted January 3, 2012, and amended December 4, 2012, unless and until such Rules are changed.

LEGISLATIVE PROGRAMS, EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

To set policy and review contracts pertaining and related to the following: Arts, Ulster County Community College, Historian, Libraries, Cornell Cooperative Extension, STOP DWI, Community Action, Office for the Aging, Youth Bureau, and Veterans Affairs.

PUBLIC WORKS AND CAPITAL PROJECTS

To set policy for and review contracts pertaining to the following County Departments: Public Works (including Parks, Highways, and Buildings and Grounds), Transportation and Capital Projects.

SOCIAL SERVICES

To set policy for and review contracts pertaining to the following County Department: Social Services.

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WAYS AND MEANS

To recommend the Legislature's position on all budgetary and financial matters of the County. To review contracts pertaining to the following departments: County Clerk, Finance, Comptroller, Purchasing, and Real Property Tax Services. To approve all resolutions with financial impacts to the County;

and, be it further

RESOLVED, that each of the standing committees set forth herein and above shall consist of five to seven members; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that nothing herein shall be deemed to authorize the delegation of any of the powers, duties or responsibilities of the County Legislature or any officer thereof except as otherwise expressly authorized by law,

and move its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 20 NOES: 1
(Noes: Legislator Bartels)
(Absent: Legislators Richard and Robert Parete)
(Legislator John Parete arrived at 7:10 PM)

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
NONE

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STATE OF NEW YORK

ss:

COUNTY OF ULSTER

This is to certify that I, the undersigned Clerk of the Legislature of the County of Ulster have compared the foregoing resolution with the original resolution now on file in the office of said clerk, and which was adopted by said Legislature on the 2nd day of January, 2013, and that the same is a true and correct transcript of said resolution and of the whole thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of the County of Ulster this 4th day of January in the year Two Thousand and Thirteen.

|s| Victoria A. Fabella
Victoria A. Fabella, Clerk
Ulster County Legislature