Energy & Environment Committee Regular Meeting Minutes

DATE & TIME: July 10, 2017 at 6:00

LOCATION: Howard C. St. John Business Resource Seminar Room,

SUNY Ulster, Stone Ridge, NY

PRESIDING OFFICER: Deputy Chairman Tracey Bartels **LEGISLATIVE STAFF:** Fawn A. Tantillo, Deputy Clerk

PRESENT: Legislators Jonathan Heppner, Ron G. Lapp, Jr and Mary Wawro

ABSENT: Legislator Richard Parete

QUORUM PRESENT: Yes

OTHER ATTENDEES: Legislator Manna Jo Greene; Tim Rose, Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency, David Halderman, UC Environmental Council, Jim Hoover, Stone Ridge resident

Chairman Bartels called the meeting to order at 6:04 and lead the pledge of allegiance.

Motion No. 1: To Approve the Minutes of May 8, 2017

Motion Made By: Legislator Lapp
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Heppner

Discussion: None

Voting in Favor: Legislators Bartels, Heppner, Lapp and Wawro

Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 4
No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Approved

Mr. Rose gave a report on potential regionalization of solid waste efforts. Ulster County may be joining Greene and Sullivan Counties for a feasibility study.

Old Business:

- **Proposed Plastic Bag Legislation** Legislator Bartels discussed plans with Chairman Parete before the meeting. The next step will be to draft a resolution so the members can discuss specifics.
- Climate Smart Committee Legislator Greene gave a brief update on issues discussed at the Climate Smart Committee.

Legislator Greene would like to see a more proactive way for the legislature to plan for and follow projects to ensure climate smart measures are incorporated.

• Solid Waste Management Improvement Commission- Legislator Bartels said the report was waiting for some finishing touches and editing. She noted that some areas may need to be updated in light of the information Tim Rose shared with the committee.

New Business:

Ulster County Fair – The committee discussed compliance by vendors at the County Fair with the county's new Styrofoam container ban. Last year members noted some vendors were still using the banned containers and the need to reach out to them ahead of time to ensure they comply.

There was also a brief discussion of composting and recycling at the fair. The committee felt that more recycling depository containers were needed. Legislator Bartels said she would reach out the Mr. Newkirk, the fair manager.

Deputy Chairman Bartels asked if there was any other business, hearing none

Motion to Adjourn

Motion Made By: Legislator Lapp
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Heppner

No. of Votes in Favor: 4 No. of Votes Against: 0

Time: 7: 10 pm

Respectfully submitted: Fawn Tantillo, Deputy Clerk

Minutes Approved: October 11, 2017