

Ulster County Legislature



Energy, Environment and Sustainability Committee

Meeting Agenda

October 14, 2025 at 4:00 PM

Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, Ulster County Office Building, Kingston, New York

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Committee Members:

Chris Hewitt, Chair
Richard Walls, Deputy Chair
Joseph Donaldson
Manna Jo Greene

Herbert Litts
Kathy Nolan
Eric Stewart

Call Meeting to Order

Approval of the September 2, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes

Presentation –

- Assemblymember Sarahana Shrestha – Public Power Authority

Reports

- UCRRA – Director Marc Rider
- Department of the Environment – Andy Bicking
- Department of Economic Development – Industrial Hemp Conference
- Recycling Oversight Committee update – Legislator Greene

Resolutions for October 21, 2025 Legislative Session:

- 1) **Resolution No. 178** – Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 4 Of 2025, A Local Law Providing For The Protection And Restoration Of The Esopus Creek, Rondout Creek And Wallkill River In Ulster County, And Providing For The Rights Of The Residents Of Ulster County To Clean Water And A Healthy And Productive Ecosystem, To Be Held On Tuesday, November 18, 2025 At 7:00 PM
- 2) **Resolution No. 273** - Opposing The Establishment Of A County-Wide Landfill Anywhere Within The Geographical Boundaries Of Ulster County, And Urging The Exploration Of Alternative Locations And Waste Management Solutions
- 3) **Resolution No. 447** - Opposing The Development, Construction, And Operation Of Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS) In Ulster County

- 4) **Resolution No. 448** - Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 12 Of 2025, A Local Law To Require Notification To The Department Of Emergency Communications/ Emergency Management Of Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS) By Local Municipalities In The County Of Ulster, To Be Held On Tuesday, November 18, 2025 At 7:05 PM
- 5) **Resolution No. 449** - Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute A Payment In Lieu Of Taxes Agreement With ELP Marlborough Solar LLC For Solar Energy Systems Pursuant To Real Property Tax Law Section 487

New Business

- Local Pesticide Protections – Geoff Horsfield
- Decentral Hudson Study discussion
- Statewide Conference of Municipal Environmental Councils to be held in Kingston – October 24 & 25th from 7:30 AM to 5:00 PM

Old Business

Upcoming Meeting

- November Regular Meeting and Department Head Budget Discussion moved to **Monday, November 3, 2025 at 3:00 PM**

Adjournment