

Laws, Rules & Government Services Committee Regular Meeting Minutes

DATE & TIME: September 10, 2025 – 4:00 PM
LOCATION(S): Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston
 Livestreamed at <https://www.youtube.com/@UlsterCountyLegislature/streams>
PRESIDING OFFICER: Chair Kovacs
LEGISLATIVE STAFF: Jay Mahler, Deputy Clerk & Tyron Rogers, Technical Support Specialist
MEMBERS PRESENT: Legislators Criswell, Gavaris, Hansut, Harmon, Kitchen, Levine & Uchitelle
MEMBERS ABSENT: None
QUORUM PRESENT: Yes

OTHER ATTENDEES: Legislators Collins, Greene, Nolan & Stewart; Legislative Counsel Ragucci and Minority Counsel Pascale; Deputy County Executive James Amenta; Executive Director Marc Rider – Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency; Steve Ellman – Kingston Wire

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Chair Kovacs called the meeting to order at 4:10 PM and asked those present to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion No. 1: Motion to Approve the Minutes of the August 14th Regular Meeting

Motion Made By: Legislator Uchitelle
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Levine

Voting in Favor: Legislators Criswell, Gavaris, Hansut, Harmon, Kitchen, Kovacs, Levine & Uchitelle

Voting Against: None

Votes in Favor: 8

Votes Against: 0

Disposition: **Minutes Approved**

Resolutions for the September 16, 2025 Session of the Legislature:

Resolution No. 406 – Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 11 Of 2025, A Local Law Amending § 312-4 Of The Code Of The County Of Ulster To Increase The Income Range By Which Senior Land Owners With Limited Income Are Eligible For A Partial County Tax Exemption On Their Residence, To Be Held On Tuesday, October 21, 2025 At 7:05 PM

Resolution Summary – This Resolution sets a public hearing on Proposed Local Law No. 11 Of 2025, A Local Law Amending § 312-4 Of The Code Of The County Of Ulster To Increase The Income Range By Which Senior Land Owners With Limited Income Are Eligible For A Partial County Tax Exemption On Their Residence, to be held on Tuesday, October 21, 2025 At 7:05 PM

Motion No. 2:	Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 406
Motion Made By:	Legislator Gavaris
Motion Seconded By:	Legislator Hansut

Voting in Favor:	Legislators Criswell, Gavaris, Hansut, Harmon, Kitchen, Kovacs, Levine & Uchitelle
Voting Against:	None
Votes in Favor:	8
Votes Against:	0
Disposition:	Resolution Adopted

Resolution No. 438 – Confirming Appointment Of John DeGasperis To The Ulster County Board Of Ethics

Resolution Summary – This Resolution confirms the appointment of John DeGasperis upon the nomination by the Majority Leader of the Ulster County Legislature to the Board of Ethics for the term present through August 31, 2030

Motion No. 3:	Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 438
Motion Made By:	Legislator Uchitelle
Motion Seconded By:	Legislator Kitchen

Voting in Favor:	Legislators Criswell, Gavaris, Hansut, Harmon, Kitchen, Kovacs, Levine & Uchitelle
Voting Against:	None
Votes in Favor:	8
Votes Against:	0
Disposition:	Resolution Adopted

Forthcoming Resolutions

- **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, October 21, 2025 At 7:00 PM (*Postponed in Energy, Environment & Sustainability Committee on September 2nd*)
- **Resolution No. 371** – Adopting Proposed Local Law No. 3 Of 2025, A Local Law To Ensure The Safety Of Vulnerable Road Users In Ulster County (*Postponed in Housing & Transportation Committee on September 4th*)

New Business	None
Old Business	None

Adjournment

Motion Made By:	Legislator Uchitelle
Motion Seconded By:	Legislator Harmon
Votes in Favor:	8
Votes Against:	0

TIME:	4:10 PM
Respectfully Submitted:	Jay Mahler, Deputy Clerk
Approved:	October 16, 2025

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