

ULSTER COUNTY LEGISLATURE



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AGENDA

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

TUESDAY, JANUARY 6, 2026

6:30 PM

Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building, 244 Fair Street, Kingston, NY
Also available via Livestream: <https://www.youtube.com/@UlsterCountyLegislature>

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY VICTORIA A. FABELLA, CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG AND MOMENT OF SILENT MEDITATION:

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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 Organizational Meeting.

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MICROPHONES

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

ROLL CALL:

Present:

Absent:

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SWEARING IN OF LEGISLATORS

BY

**THE HONORABLE DAVID M. GANDIN
NEW YORK STATE SUPREME COURT JUSTICE, THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT**

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NOMINATION OF THE TEMPORARY CHAIR OF THE ULSTER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

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CHAIR'S ACCEPTANCE

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THE FOLLOWING DESIGNATIONS ARE ON FILE:

Majority Leader – Abe Uchitelle

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Minority Leader – Kevin Roberts

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OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS

PUBLICATION OF CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS, ELECTION NOTICES ISSUED BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE, AND THE OFFICIAL CANVASS

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

PUBLICATION OF LOCAL LAWS AND VARIOUS NOTICES

(D) – Hudson Valley One
(R) – Shawangunk Journal

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

COMMUNICATIONS FROM:

Clerk of the Legislature, Victoria Fabella

FOIL Acknowledgement & Response –
Aliya Jessa

Legislative News

Press Release – Confirms Appointments
to the Ulster County Resource Recovery
Agency Board of Directors

Concerned Citizens (2)

Press Release – Chair of the Legislature
and County Executive Announce
Appointments to Ulster County Arts &
Culture Advisory Council

NYS Department of Taxation and Finance
NYS Public Service Commission

Emails - Opposed to Resolution No. 451
– Basin Road Bridge

Ulster County Budget Department

Ulster County Tax Apportionment

Subsequent Filings:

Matter No. 21-01188 - Letter – IPDOB
Video – December 11, 2025

November 2025 Budget Transfer Report

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COMMUNICATIONS FROM (continued):

Ulster County Tourism Department
Ulster County Chamber of Commerce

Top 10 Events for January 2026

Ribbon Cutting - Children's Home of Poughkeepsie: Children's Way Counseling Center - Thursday January 15th at 10:00 AM - 368 Broadway, Suite 301, Kingston

COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS:

Appointment Letter – Interim Director of Department of Economic Development – Joshua Stratton Rayner

Appointment Letter – Ulster County Arts and Culture Advisory Council – Bill Merchant, Margaret S. Inge, Meira Blaustein, Brendan Burke

Letter to the Environmental Management Council of Ulster County

MEMORIALIZING LETTER:

To Town of Ulster Town Board opposing the proposed Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) facility at 430 Hurley Avenue, the site of the former John A. Coleman Catholic High School

PUBLIC COMMENT (on Resolutions currently before the Legislature):

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE:

RESOLUTION NOS: 1 – 4

1	Adoption Of The Rules Of Order
2	Appointing Victoria A. Fabella As Clerk Of The Ulster County Legislature

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3	Creating Standing Committees For The Year 2026
4	Designation Of Official Newspapers

PUBLIC COMMENT (on subjects *not* currently before the Legislature):

MEETING ADJOURNED IN MEMORY OF:

Neil Rausch, Lake Katrine
George D. Haas, Stone Ridge
Paul Nicholas Fisher, Kingston

Steven Mackey, Lake Katrine
Jean Wroblewski, Kingston
Raymond John Lindhorst, Kingston

NEXT MEETING:

The next Regular Meeting of the Ulster County Legislature will be held on Tuesday, February 17, 2026 at 7:00 PM in the Legislative Chambers, Sixth Floor, Ulster County Office Building, 244 Fair Street, Kingston, New York.

Resolution deadline is Wednesday, January 21, 2026.

MEETING ADJOURNED: