

# ULSTER COUNTY LEGISLATURE



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## AGENDA

### ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 6, 2026**

**6:30 PM**

Legislative Chambers, 6<sup>th</sup> 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.

**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

Legislative News

Concerned Citizens (2)

NYS Department of Taxation and Finance

NYS Public Service Commission

Ulster County Budget Department

FOIL Acknowledgement & Response –  
Aliya Jessa

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

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

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

Ulster County Tax Apportionment

Subsequent Filings:

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

November 2025 Budget Transfer Report

**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**

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

<b>3</b>	<b>Creating Standing Committees For The Year 2026</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>Designation Of Official Newspapers</b>

**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:**