

# ULSTER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

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## AGENDA

August 15, 2023

## REGULAR MEETING

Also Available via *vimeo* Livestream <https://livestream.com/accounts/1512750/events/1824203>

7:00 PM

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY CHAIR:**

**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 Session.

### **MICROPHONES**

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

**ROLL CALL:**

Present:

Absent:

**BIRTHDAYS:**

Deputy Clerk - Amber Feaster, August 10<sup>th</sup>  
Vice Chair - Peter Criswell, August 13<sup>th</sup>  
Legislative Staff - Lizvett Bost, August 21<sup>st</sup>

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

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM:**

UC Legislative Chair, Tracey A. Bartels

Appt. R. Luchessi, Ulster County Safety Board – Resolution No. 376

Appt. C. Long, Ulster County Planning Board – Resolution No. 379

Appt. S McCarthy, Ulster County Planning Board – Resolution No. 379

Thank you for HRC application – Rose Eldie Desanges-Belfort

Thank you for HRC application – Doug Tyler

Thank you for HRC application – Kenneth Stephens

Thank you for HRC application – Des Salomone

Ulster County Clerk of the Legislature, Victoria Fabella

Notice of Special Informational Session – August 1, 2023

FOIL Acknowledgement and Response – C. Schneider

Minority Leader Ronk

Appt. Human Rights Commission – C. Van Dyke

Appt. Human Rights Commission – K. Roddey

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM (continued):**

Minority Leader Ronk

Legislative News

Ulster County Personnel Department

Director of Veteran Services Mark Cozzupoli

Ulster County Tourism Department

C. Schneider

J. Mason

S. Bruck

A. Fradon

Catskill Watershed Corporation

NYS Public Service Commission

In Flight Innovation for Developmental Achievement

J. Bishop

J. Campise

Comptroller Gallagher, Esq.

Central Hudson

Ulster County Workforce Development Board

Thank you – Human Rights Commission  
Service – D. Drimer

Ulster County Legislature Adopts Drag is  
Not a Crime Law in July Session

Civil Service Announcements

Veteran Related Communications

August 2023 Trending Calendar of Events

FOIL Request

Email – Supporting Resolution No. 330

Email - Supporting DNC Act

Email – Supporting Resolution No. 330

08-02-23 Notice of Preliminary Decision

Subsequent Filing- Matter No. 21-01188,  
July 31, 2023 - IP\_TF\_DOB Presentation  
2023-07-31

Subsequent Filing- Matter No. 21-01188,  
July 31,2023 - 2023-06-15 DOB Transcript

Subsequent Filing- Matter No. 21-01188,  
August 1, 2023 - Gov Announces Temple

Subsequent Filing- Matter No. 21-01188,  
August 2, 2023- Filing Letter -IPDOB  
Video 2023-07-31 Park Will Reopen after  
Comprehensive Soil Testing Reveals Park  
is Safe for Public Use

Email- Supporting CMRR expansion

Email- Supporting the Care Act

Email – Supporting CMRR expansion

Press Release, Audit of Ulster Count  
CARES 2 Grant Program

Energy Central, July 2023

July 19, 2023- Meeting Minutes

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM (continued):**

J. Sheehan	Email – CARES Act II funding
Woodstock Climate Smart Committee	Woodstock's Carbon-Neutral Initiative - Wed, Sept 20, 2023
NYS Agriculture and Markets	Letter re: Agricultural District No 2 renewal plan
NYS Department of Environmental Conservation	Notice of Public comment period for Proposed Policy Der-41
Ulster County Economic Development Alliance	Response to Draft Audit of the Ulster County "Cares II" Grant Program
NYS Comptroller	Invitation to Annual State Fair Breakfast
Acting Human Rights Commissioner Lewis	August 16, 2023 – HRC Meeting Agenda and July 5, 2023 Meeting Minutes

**COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS:**

Press Release, Ulster County Awards 16 Municipalities with ARPA Funding for Parks and Recreation Projects

Press Release, Public Workshops Announced for Ulster County Natural Resources Inventory and Municipal Toolkit Project

Appt. Human Rights Commission – S. Jobsis

Press Release, County Executive Jen Metzger Applauds Decision to Expedite End to Central Hudson Estimated Billing & Install Independent Monitor

Press Release, New Leadership and Members Announced for the Ulster County Human Rights Commission

Press Release, County Executive Jen Metzger Signs "Drag is Not a Crime Act" into Law

**COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS (continued):**

Press Release, Enhancing Agriculture in  
Ulster County – Take the Survey!

Press Release, Ulster County Launches  
“Participate Ulster” Website and  
Community Survey for Future County  
Website

Budget Transfers July 2023

Press Release, Ulster County Executive Jen  
Metzger signs Law Strengthening  
sustainable Green Fleet Policy

**ANNUAL REPORTS**

Ulster County Prevention Council

7/1/22-6/30/23

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**DATE:**

Economic Development, Planning, Education,  
Employment, Arts & Agriculture

July 6, 2023

Energy, Environment & Sustainability

July 6, 2023

Health, Human Services & Housing

July 5, 2023

Law Enforcement and Public Safety

July 6, 2023

Laws and Rules, Government Services

July 13, 2023

Public Works, Capital Projects & Transportation

July 17, 2023

Ways and Means

July 11, 2023

July 18, 2023

American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)

June 28, 2023

**PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:**

Chair Tracey A. Bartels is granting Privilege of the Floor to County Executive Metzger and the Climate Corps Internship participants. This group of 18 innovative thinkers spent the summer gaining hands-on experience in developing climate policies and programs to aid the county in meeting aggressive climate targets. Six of the 2023 Climate Corps members are in attendance and will speak on their work. Dylan Moscoso, SUNY New Paltz – Ulster Stays Hydrated; Misha Kuznetsov, SUNY New Paltz – Flood Plain Mapping; Abrielle Hamilton, SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry - Green Business Champions; Naseem Haidaoui, SUNY New Paltz - Climate Justice Outreach Plan; Maria Domingo, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute - HVAC Electrification; Erin-Rose Cooney, SUNY New Paltz - Workforce Wardrobe

**PUBLIC COMMENT (on items currently before the Legislature):**

**RESOLUTION NOS: 486 of 2022, 330, 348, 349, 369, 370, 381, 382, 419, 421, 430, 432, 434, 436 – 446, 448 – 461, 463, 465, 470 – 472; 126, 127, 309, 364, 447 – NO ACTION TAKEN; 337, 371, 372, 386, 423, 425 – 429, 433, 462, 464, 468, 469 – POSTPONED; 124, 299, 424, 435 – WITHDRAWN BY SPONSOR; 387, 466 & 467 – DEFEATED IN COMMITTEE**

	<b>Consent</b>
<b>421</b>	<b>Requiring Dedicated Space Within The Workplace For Nursing Mothers Employed By Ulster County</b>
<b>430</b>	<b>Establishing A Traffic Demand Policy</b>
<b>434</b>	<b>Amending Resolution No. 286 Of 1968, Adopted February 13, 1969, Imposing Taxes On Sales And Uses Of Tangible Personal Property And Of Certain Services And On Occupancy Of Hotel Rooms And On Amusement Charges, Pursuant To Article 29 Of The Tax Law Of The State Of New York, As Amended On Various Occasions To Increase The Rate Of Sales And Compensating Use Taxes</b>

<b>440</b>	<b>Confirming Appointment Of Kevin Lynch As Director Of Economic Development</b>
<b>441</b>	<b>Authorizing The Ulster County Executive To Execute A Contract With The New York State Housing Trust Fund Corporation Represented By The Office Of Community Renewal, For Federal Funding For The Implementation Of Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) And Amending The 2023 Ulster County Budget – Department Of Economic Development</b>
<b>442</b>	<b>Authorizing The Office Of Employment And Training To Submit An Application To The New York State Office Of Strategic Workforce Pay For Performance Grant Program: Operating Grants – Office Of Employment And Training</b>
<b>443</b>	<b>Approving The Execution A Contract For \$80,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Arts Mid-Hudson, Inc. – Legislature</b>
<b>444</b>	<b>Amending The 2023 Ulster County Budget To Accept An Additional Allocation Of Adult Protective Services Funds From The New York State Office Of Children And Family Services – Department Of Social Services</b>
<b>445</b>	<b>Authorizing The Chair Of The Legislature To Execute An Intermunicipal Agreement With The Dutchess County Department Of Behavioral &amp; Community Health - Department Of Mental Health</b>
<b>446</b>	<b>Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute A Lease Agreement With SAMADHI For Office Space At 368 Broadway – Department Of Public Works</b>
<b>448</b>	<b>Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute A License Agreement With The Ulster County Board Of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) In Relation To A One-Month License At 701 Grant Avenue - Department Of Public Works</b>
<b>449</b>	<b>Amending The 2023-2028 Capital Improvement Program – Establishing Capital Project No. 676 – 2023 Various Embankment Repairs – Amending The 2023 Capital Fund Budget – Department Of Public Works (Highways &amp; Bridges)</b>
<b>451</b>	<b>Approving The Execution A Contract For \$379,600.00 Entered Into By The County – Otis Elevator Company – Department Of Public Works</b>

<b>452</b>	<b>Amending The 2023-2028 Capital Improvement Program - Amending Capital Project No. 653 – Hall Of Records Building Rooftop Solar Array Project For Construction Services — Amending The 2023 Capital Fund Budget - Department Of Public Works (Buildings &amp; Grounds)</b>
<b>454</b>	<b>Amending The 2023-2028 Capital Improvement Program -Establishing Capital Project No. 675 – Jail Axon Body Camera Purchase - Amending The 2023 Capital Fund Budget - Ulster County Sheriff</b>
<b>457</b>	<b>Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$7,200.00, Causing The Aggregate Contract Plus Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00, Entered Into By The County – Verify Polygraph &amp; Forensic Consultants, LLC – Ulster County Sheriff</b>
<b>458</b>	<b>Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$9,815.80, Causing The Aggregate Contract Plus Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00, Entered Into By The County – Eaton Corporation – Information Services</b>
<b>459</b>	<b>Amending The 2023 Ulster County Budget To Fund A Salary Study – Department Of Personnel</b>
<b>460</b>	<b>Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$130,090.00 Entered Into By The County – Baker Tilly US, LLP – Personnel</b>
<b>461</b>	<b>Confirming Appointment Of Joe McDonald As Ulster County Commissioner Of Human Rights</b>
<b>463</b>	<b>Adopting Proposed Local Law No. 7 Of 2023, A Local Law To Authorize County Registry For Domestic Partners</b>
<b>465</b>	<b>Establishing A Policy To Record Electronically All County Public Meetings</b>
<b>470</b>	<b>Authorizing The Submittal Of An Application To The Federal Highway Administration For Funding Under The PROTECT Grant Program – Department Of Planning</b>



<b>471</b>	<b>Authorizing The Department Of Environment To Submit An Application To The New York Environmental Facilities Corporation (NYSEFC) Via The New York State Consolidated Funding Application (CFA) – Department Of The Environment</b>
<b>472</b>	<b>Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 10 Of 2023, A Local Law Amending Part II, §218, Of The Code Of The County Of Ulster, To Extend Participation In The New York State Hunting Pilot Program For 12 – 13 Year Old Deer Hunters, To Be Held On Tuesday, September 19, 2023 At 7:10 PM</b>
	<b>Non-Consent</b>
<b>486 of 2022</b>	<b>Adopting The Ulster County Information Services/ Information Technology Security Policy – Department Of Information Services</b>
<b>330</b>	<b>Dedicating Funding To Housing Affordability, Establishing A Policy For Its Use, And Authorizing The Release Of A Notice Of Funding Availability (NOFA) For 2023 – Department Of Planning</b>
<b>348</b>	<b>Confirming Appointment To The Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency</b>
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<b>369</b>	<b>Establishing A Policy To Provide Legislators With Restricted Access To The New World Financial Management System</b>
<b>370</b>	<b>Authorizing Legislative Review Of Certain Non-Commodity Draft Bid Documents</b>
<b>381</b>	<b>Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The New York State Department Of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) To Accept Grant Funds For The Golden Hill Renewable Energy Project - Amending The 2023 Ulster County Budget – Department Of Planning</b>

<b>382</b>	<b>Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute Various Agreements To Fulfill Requirements For Grant Funding Through The New York State Climate Smart Communities Program For Renewable Energy Equipment At The Golden Hill Housing Site – Department Of Planning</b>
<b>419</b>	<b>Opposing Moving Certain Local Elections To Even Numbered Years And Urging New York State Governor Hochul To Veto A.04282B/S.3505B</b>
<b>432</b>	<b>A Policy Requiring Venders To Comply With All Applicable Ulster County Policies</b>
<b>436</b>	<b>Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment Causing A \$419,079.00 Reduction In The Original \$1,000,000.00 Contract Amount, Resulting In A New Not To Exceed Amount Of \$580,921.00 Entered Into By The County – Ulster County Economic Development Alliance, Inc. – Department Of Finance – ARPA</b>
<b>437</b>	<b>Approving The Execution A Contract For \$395,611.00 Entered Into By The County – Ulster County Economic Development Alliance, Inc. – Department Of Finance – ARPA</b>
<b>438</b>	<b>Authorizing The Conveyance Of County-Owned Property To The Original Owner – Department Of Finance</b>
<b>439</b>	<b>Authorizing The Execution Of Sub-Lease Agreement With The Ulster County Economic Development Alliance, Inc. For Space At The Work Force Innovation Center Located At iPark87 In The Town Of Ulster – Department Of Public Works (Buildings &amp; Grounds)</b>
<b>450 BOND</b>	<b>Authorizing Embankment Stabilization, In And For The County Of Ulster, New York, At A Maximum Estimated Cost Of \$325,000.00, And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$325,000.00 Bonds Of Said County To Pay The Cost Thereof</b>
<b>453 BOND</b>	<b>Authorizing The Issuance Of An Additional \$361,600.00 Bonds Of The County Of Ulster, New York, To Pay Part Of The Cost Of The Hall Of Records Rooftop Solar Array Project, In And For Said County</b>

<b>455 BOND</b>	<b>Authorizing The Purchase Of Axon Body Cameras For County Jail Use, For The County Of Ulster, New York, At A Maximum Estimated Cost Of \$440,753.00, And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$440,753.00 Bonds Of Said County To Pay The Cost Thereof</b>
<b>456</b>	<b>Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$8,000.00, Causing The Aggregate Contract Plus Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00, Entered Into By The County – New York Communications Company, Inc. – Ulster County Sheriff</b>

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

**MEETING ADJOURNED IN MEMORY OF:**

Melissa Miller, Port Ewen, NY  
John J. Schaffer, Ardonia, NY  
Rose Crowder, Highland, NY  
David Brian Conklin, Wallkill, NY  
Susan Jo Lorino, Marlboro, NY  
Patricia Bruhn, Stone Ridge, NY  
Rosalie J. Maneen, Kingston, NY  
Mary J. Provost, Saugerties, NY  
Gerard J. Spratt, Port Ewen, NY  
Edward Bennett, Jr., Kingston, NY

Sharon L. Brown, Kingston, NY  
Jean Ciccarelli, New Paltz, NY  
Elaine J. Connolly, Kerhonkson, NY  
Nancy Parsons, Kingston, NY  
Roy Stephen Parker, Kingston, NY  
William Arthur Tubby, Kingston, NY  
Richard J. Dempsey, Kingston, NY  
Ian Dunn, Phoenicia, NY  
Stephen F. Brucker, Kingston, NY  
Peter F. Mills, Town of Ulster, NY

**MEETING ADJOURNED:**

**NEXT MEETING:**

The next Regular Meeting of the Ulster County Legislature will be held on **September 19, 2023 at 7:00 PM** in in the Legislative Chambers, Sixth Floor, Ulster County Office Building, 244 Fair Street, Kingston, New York.

Resolution deadline is **Friday, August 25, 2023 at 12 Noon.**