

**American Rescue Plan Act Special Committee
Regular Meeting Minutes**

DATE & TIME: August 8, 2024 – 4:00 PM
LOCATION(S): KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building, Kingston
Livestreamed at <https://www.youtube.com/@UlsterCountyLegislature/streams>
PRESIDING OFFICER: Chair Corcoran
LEGISLATIVE STAFF: Amber Feaster, Deputy Clerk – Finance, and Tyron Rogers, Legislative Technical Support Specialist
MEMBERS PRESENT: Legislators Levine, and Sperry
MEMBERS ABSENT: Legislators Clinton, and Lopez
QUORUM PRESENT: Yes

OTHER ATTENDEES: Legislator Collins; Deputy County Executives Jamie Capuano; Director of Research and Operations Laura Nordstrom; ARP Administration Ashlee Long, and Alyssa Hart; Comptroller Gallagher

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Chair Corcoran called the meeting to order at 4:03 PM

Motion No. 1: **Motion to Approve the minutes of the June 6, 2024 Meeting**
Motion Made By: Legislator Sperry
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Levine

Voting in Favor: Legislators Corcoran, Levine, and Sperry
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 3
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Minutes Approved**

Resolutions for the August 20, 2024 Session of the Legislature:

Resolution No. 419 – Amending And Decreasing ARPA Funding For CP 635, And Amending And Increasing ARPA Funding In The Ulster County 2024 Operating Budget To Provide \$154,611 For Rental Assistance Services Through Legal Services Of The Hudson Valley - ARP Division – Department Of Finance

Resolution Summary – This Resolution amends the 2024 Operating Budget and the 2024 Capital Fund Budget to reduce the ARPA Parks Program in the amount of \$154,611.00 to reallocate these funds for Eviction Legal Services.

Motion No. 2: **Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 419**
Motion Made By: Legislator Sperry
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Levine

Voting in Favor: Legislators Corcoran, Levine, and Sperry
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 3
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution Adopted**

Resolution No. 420 – Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$658,279.76 Entered Into By The County – Legal Services Of The Hudson Valley – Department Of Social Services

Resolution Summary – This Resolution authorizes the execution of a contract amendment in the amount of \$658,279.76 with Legal Services of the Hudson Valley to extend the term of agreement, increase funding and expand scope of services to include development and delivery of a grant program to benefit Ulster County residents facing housing insecurity by delaying or prevention of eviction – legal services to provide low-income tenants with the information, resources, services, and support they need to exercise their rights, including access to free legal representation, when facing eviction from their homes.

Motion No. 3: **Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 420**
Motion Made By: Legislator Sperry
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Levine

Voting in Favor: Legislators Corcoran, Levine, and Sperry
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 3
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution Adopted**

Resolution No. 421 – Establishing A Policy Of A Contract Deadline On Municipal ARPA Awards For CP 604 And CP 635 - ARPA - Department Of Finance, Division Of Recovery And Resilience

Resolution Summary – This Resolution sets a Policy where awarded municipalities for CP 604 and CP 635 who do not have a fully signed contract with the County by October 1, 2024 may have the award rescinded to allow the County to re-allocate funding prior to the County's end of year U.S. Treasury deadline for obligating ARPA funds.

Disposition: **Resolution Withdrawn**

Forthcoming Resolutions: None

New Business:

- Director of Research and Operations Laura Nordstrom – Update on Capital Project No. 659 - ARPA Solar and EV Charging Infrastructure Project

Old Business: None

Adjournment

Motion Made By: Legislator Sperry
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Levine
Votes in Favor: 3
Votes Against: 0

TIME: 4:19 PM

Respectfully Submitted: Amber Feaster, Deputy Clerk of the Legislature - Finance
Adopted: October 3, 2024

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