

**Appointing Members To The Ulster County Open Space Partnership**

Chairman David B. Donaldson, the Environmental Committee (Chairman Shapiro and Legislators Bischoff, R.A. Parete, Rodriguez, Fabiano, Petit and Roberts) and the Economic Development, Housing, Planning and Transit Committee (Chairman Rodriguez and Legislators Bischoff, Loughran, Sheeley, Harris, Roberti and Terrizzi) offer the following:

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Legislature pursuant to Resolution No. 423 of December 2007 adopted the Ulster County Open Space Plan in recognition of the importance of preserving open spaces, protecting wildlife and creating new recreational opportunities, and

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Legislature pursuant to Resolution No. 153 of May 2008 authorized the Chairman of the Ulster County Legislature to form an Open Space Partnership as implementation of Strategic Recommendation #1 of the Ulster County's adopted Open Space Plan and providing for the legislature to confirm the appointments of members, and

WHEREAS, that the Partnership shall focus its activities on those responsibilities contained in the Open Space Plan and recommend policy and funding actions to the appropriate legislative committees, and

WHEREAS, that members of the Partnership shall serve for a one year term from the date of their appointment, and

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Planning Board Director and the Ulster County Department of the Environment Coordinator or their designees shall serve as Co-Chairs of the Partnership, and

WHEREAS, the Environmental Committee has met and reviewed said request with a majority of the members voting approval, and

WHEREAS, the Economic Development, Housing, Planning and Transit Committee has met and reviewed said request with a majority of the members voting approval.

RESOLVED, the following named persons and their alternates are hereby appointed as members of the Ulster County Open Space Partnership, the initial term of all appointments is: September 1, 2008 through August 31, 2009:

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**APPOINTMENTS**

**Nominee and Alternate**

**Stakeholder Group  
Being Represented  
(number of representatives)**

1. Dr. David Straus  
Chairman, Open Space Commmittee, UC EMC

Ulster County Environmental  
Management Council (1)

**Alternate:**

Hank Bartoski  
Vice-Chair, Open Space Committee, UC EMC

2. Seth McKee  
Scenic Hudson

Regional Environmental  
Protection Organization  
Representatives (2)

and

3. Philip Nicholas, Project Manager  
Trust for Public Land

(No alternates named)

4. Christopher Duncan, Executive Director  
Wallkill Valley Land Trust

Ulster County Land Trust  
Consortium Representative  
(1)

**Alternate:**

John Winter, Executive Director  
Woodstock Land Conservancy

5. Teresa Rusinek  
Horticulture and Ag Issues Educator  
UC Cornell Cooperative Extension  
10 Westbrook Lane  
Kingston, NY 12401-2928

Agricultural Representative  
(1)

(No alternate named)

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6. Cheryl Bowers  
Chair, Ulster County Chamber of Commerce  
Vice President of Business Banking &  
Branch Administration  
c/o Rondout Savings Bank  
300 Broadway  
Kingston, NY 12401

Chambers of Commerce (2)

(No alternate named)

and

7. Ernie Vandemark  
Chairman, NP Regional Chamber of Commerce  
Customer Accounts Services Supervisor  
Central Hudson

**Alternate:**

Helise Winters  
Dean of Regional Education  
SUNY New Paltz

8. Toni Hokanson, Supervisor  
Town of New Paltz

Ulster County Supervisors  
Association Representative  
(1)

**Alternate:**

Joe Katz, Supervisor  
Town of Gardiner

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9. Jeremy Kane, Planner  
Town of Saugerties

Ulster County Municipal  
Planning/Environment  
Representative (1)

(No alternate named)

10. Joe Liuni, Chairman  
Federated Sportsmens' Clubs of Ulster County  
PO Box 3134  
Kingston, NY 12402

Recreation/Sports/Hunting/  
Fishing

11. Chairman  
Ulster County Legislature

Ex-Officio, Ulster County  
Legislature

**Alternate:**

Chairman  
Ulster County Legislature Environmental Committee

and moves its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:

NOES:

FINANCIAL IMPACT:  
NONE

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**REFERRED BACK TO COMMITTEE**