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NOVEMBER 5, 2014

PUBLIC HEARING

7:00 PM

PUBLIC HEARING CALLED TO ORDER BY: Chairman of the Ways & Means Committee,
Legislator Richard A. Gerentine: 7:07 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG: Led by Legislator Manna Jo Greene

MOMENT OF SILENT MEDITATION:

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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ROLL CALL:

Present: 9 (Bartels, Belfiglio, Gerentine, Greene, Maloney, J. Parete, Provenzano, Rodriguez, Ronk)

Absent:9 (Allen, Briggs, Fabiano, Litts, Loughran, Maio, R. Parete, Roberts, Wishnick)

Excused: 5 (Archer, Donaldson, Gregorius, Lopez, Wawro)

Legislator's attending their monthly Legislative Programs, Education & Community Services Committee meeting at SUNY Ulster.

CALL OF THE PUBLIC HEARING BY CLERK: Public Hearing On The Proposed 2015 Ulster County Budget And The Proposed 2015-2020 Capital Program)

PUBLIC COMMENT: There was (1) speaker signed up for public comment.

1. Cory Newton, Wawarsing, NY: Mr. Newton shared his research/fact checking with the State Comptroller and State Finance Office's with regard to the proposed budget loss of \$5.4 million in state sales tax revenues. Mr. Newton stated the budget numbers are inconsistent with his findings. Mr. Newton recommends a fact sheet be integrated as part of the budget - documenting everything mandated from the state and federal government. Mr. Newton also made the suggestion of putting the budget on an excel spread sheet on the county website.

Please Note: Complete content of the public comment period for tonight's Session can be heard on the Ulster County Legislative website.

Town of Olive Supervisor Sylvia Rozzelle asked if the Legislature will be voting on the election budget spread over the next 3 years – Legislator Gerentine concurred. Legislature Gerentine thanked Supervisor Rozzelle for hosting tonight's public hearing. He also thanked everyone for attending and expressed the final budget public hearing is set for tomorrow night at the Plattekill Town Hall.

Legislator Rodriguez motioned, seconded by Minority Leader Ronk to adjourn.
All in favor.

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