ULSTER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

MINUTES

July 25, 2012

SPECIAL SESSION 6:30 PM

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN: 6:50 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG: Led by Chairman Terry L. Bernardo

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 Session.

MICROPHONES

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ROLL CALL: Present: 17 Absent: 6
(Legislators Aiello, Briggs, Loughran, Provenzano and Wawro)

MOTION TO DISPENSE WITH THE READING OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

PUBLIC COMMENT: There were two public commentators.

1. Gloria Waslyn of Parrots for Peace - Delighted to have seen Executive Michael Hein at the Healthy Ulster Big Run and that he was delighted to tell her that he was very much behind no fracking on the roads. She was very hopeful that there would be a standing ovation of celebration. Hoping that they can urge Andrew Cuomo not to go forward.

2. Kathy Nolan of Catskill Mountainkeeper – Offered congratulations on process and that Legislature provided the needed leadership.

RESOLUTION NO. 189 WITHDRAWN BY SPONSER.

Leg. Ronk made Motion to take Resolution 192 out of order, seconded by Leg. Donaldson.

Resolution No. 192 - Issuing A Negative Declaration With Respect To The Adoption Of Introductory Local Law No. 1 Of 2012 (A Local Law Of The County Of Ulster, New York Known As The “Hydraulic Fracturing Brine Prohibition Act”) Hereinafter Known As Local Law No. 6 of 2.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE: AYES: 17 NOES: 0
(Absent: Legs. Aiello, Briggs, Loughran, Maloney, Provenzano and Wawro)

Resolution No. 191 - Adopting Introductory Local Law No. 1 Of 2012 (A Local Law Of The County Of Ulster, New York Known As The “Hydraulic Fracturing Brine Prohibition Act”) Hereinafter Known As Local Law No. 6 of 2012

Leg. Donaldson asked that there be a friendly “resolved” amendment that the Resolution be forwarded to the Governor of New York and the various Counties throughout New York State. Attorney Chapman indicated that the Local Law itself not be amended but that the action requested could take place. Leg. Donaldson than asked that the Chairman assures that it was forwarded to which Chairman Bernardo responded that she would direct the Clerk to forward the Local Law. Leg. Donaldson further added that he wished to thank Leg. Wishnick for his work on the law and that he spearheaded this legislation.
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Leg. Ronk withdrew vote in order to take comment from Leg. Belfiglio. Leg. Belfiglio wanted to thank his Committee and all of the members and that the legislation was a bipartisan effort. Leg. Belfiglio believed other Counties were looking at Ulster County’s Law. Leg. Belfiglio wished to second Leg. Donaldson’s action to send it to Governor and especially the Towns in Ulster County.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:   AYES 17  NOES: 0
(Absent: Legs. Aiello, Briggs, Loughran, Maloney, Provenzano and Wawro)

The next Regular Meeting of the Ulster County Legislature will be held on Tuesday, August 14, 2012 at 7:00 PM in the Legislative Chambers, Sixth Floor, Ulster County Office Building, 244 Fair Street, Kingston, New York.

Legislator Ronk motioned to adjourn, seconded by Legislator Donaldson. All in favor

MEETING ADJOURNED:  7:03 PM