

TOWN OF ULSTER TOWN BOARD SPECIAL MEETING (12)

JULY 5, 2022

**MEETING HELD IN PERSON and VIRTUALLY THROUGH ZOOM
BROADCAST VIA FACEBOOK LIVE**

CALLED TO ORDER BY SUPERVISOR QUIGLEY, at 4:05 PM

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

ROLL CALL by Town Clerk, Suzanne Reavy:

TOWN COUNCILMAN CLAYTON VAN KLEECK

TOWN COUNCILMAN ROCCO SECRETO

TOWN COUNCILMAN ERIC KITCHEN

TOWN COUNCILWOMAN ANNA HAYNER

SUPERVISOR JAMES E. QUIGLEY 3rd

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

1. Frank Petramale, Highway Superintendent
2. Bill Kemble, Daily Freeman – Via Zoom
3. Three in-person attendees

ADDITIONS OR CHANGES TO AGENDA – None

PUBLIC DISCUSSION ON AGENDA ITEMS – None

COMMUNICATIONS – Letter from Laurie Knapp read by town clerk. Laurie requests town board permission to place a bench at Charles Rider Park in honor of her brother, Jim Harris. He and their parents, Nick and Joan Harris, have been lifelong town of Ulster residents. Town Board all in favor and Councilman Secreto will reach out to Laurie.

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New Business:

Resolution Requesting New York State Legislature Enact Legislation Pursuant to Section 40 of the Municipal Home Rule Law Declaring the Town of Ulster to be a Town of the First Class (2022-R-168)

Supervisor: Reprise of a resolution passed by this board in December, 2021, which did not have assigned senate and assembly bill numbers. We now have those numbers, and we need to submit a resolution with the bill numbers in it along with the proper forms. Doing this now so that when the assembly positions change this will be ready for the next assemblyman. If a special session is called between now and the end of the year, we have Assemblyman Cahill's commitment to place this item on the legislation agenda to be ruled on.

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN BOARD
TOWN OF ULSTER
Resolution Requesting New York State Legislature Enact Legislation
Pursuant to Section 40 of the Municipal Home Rule Law Declaring the Town
of Ulster to be a Town of the First Class

WHEREAS, pursuant to Town Law Section 10, towns containing a population of ten thousand or more are generally considered a Town of the "First Class," with the explicit exception of the Town of Ulster, which is, pursuant to Town Law Section 10, a town of the "Second Class;" and

WHEREAS, New York State towns of the "First Class" have more powers, obligations, and privileges under Municipal Home Rule than towns of the "Second Class;" and

WHEREAS, the only way to have the Town of Ulster declared a town of the "First Class" is by state law revising that portion of Town Law Section 10 which explicitly declares the Town of Ulster to be a town of the "Second Class;" and

WHEREAS, on December 2, 2021, the Town Board passed a resolution authorizing the Town Supervisor to submit one or more Home Rule Requests to the New York State Legislature pursuant hereto; and

WHEREAS, special legislation has been drafted for submission to the New York State Legislature, known as Bill # A. 10519 and Bill # S. 8180; and now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Ulster hereby requests and approves the submission of a Home Rule Request for the enactment of special state legislation, in the form

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of Senate Bill # S. 8180 and Assembly Bill # A. 10519, entitled “AN ACT to amend the town law, in relation to the classification of the town of Ulster in the county of Ulster” and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Supervisor and Town Clerk are authorized to execute and transmit all documents that may be necessary to effectuate this home rule request.

MOTION: Councilman Secreto
SECOND: Councilman Kitchen

ROLL CALL VOTE

Town Councilman Van Kleeck	-Yes
Town Councilman Secreto	-Yes
Town Councilman Kitchen	-Yes
Town Councilwoman Hayner	-Yes
Supervisor Quigley	-Yes

CARRIED

NO PUBLIC COMMENT

MOTION to adjourn (4:10 pm) (2022-M-169)

MOTION: Councilwoman Hayner
SECOND: Councilman Kitchen

Town Councilman Van Kleeck	-Yes
Town Councilman Secreto	-Yes
Town Councilman Kitchen	-Yes
Town Councilwoman Hayner	-Yes
Supervisor Quigley	-Yes

CARRIED

Respectfully Submitted by Suzanne Reavy
Ulster Town Clerk