

**ULSTER COUNTY RESOURCE RECOVERY AGENCY
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
July 9, 2026 at 6:57 PM
Meeting End Time: 8:26 PM**

The Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency held the Special Board Meeting at the Agency's Main Office, 999 Flatbush Road, Kingston, NY and live streamed on Youtube.com @UCRRA5008.

ROLL CALL**Board Members**

James Gordon	<u> X </u>
Donna Egan	<u> X </u>
Erica Brown	<u> X </u>
Mike Baden	<u> X </u>
Chris Hurlbert	<u> X </u>

Agency Staff

Marc Rider	<u> X </u>
Nancy Lam	<u> X </u>
Tim Weidemann	<u> X </u>

The meeting was convened to inform the Board about a newly awarded technical assistance grant from the Department of Energy, which will support the evaluation of project options for a waste diversion and anaerobic digestion initiative. The meeting and discussion were for informational purposes.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Donna Egan made a motion to approve the Agenda. It was Seconded by Erica Brown.
5 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 absent.

DISCUSSION OF THE GLOBAL NRG PROJECT

Marc Rider, Executive Director provided the following status update for the Global NRG Project:

Key takeaways:

- The Department of Energy has awarded free technical assistance through the National Renewable Energy Lab (also known as the National Lab of the Rockies) under the Waste to Energy and Materials Technical Assistance for State, Local, and Tribal Governments program.
- The assistance includes 40 hours of expert review focused on feasibility, pricing, emissions, contract considerations, and funding opportunities.
- This support eliminates the need for immediate board decisions; the GLOBAL NRG project is effectively on hold until the Lab provides its evaluation and recommendations, expected in late summer or early fall.
- The board agreed to eliminate two options: (1) continuing with business as usual and (5) revisiting the second-ranked proposer, due to their lower viability.
- The Lab will evaluate three remaining options (options 2-4), including different tonnage and partnership models with Global NRG particularly focusing on feedstock sourcing and financial projections like renewable natural gas revenue.

Action Items / Next Steps:

- Confirm kickoff timing with the National Lab of the Rockies

- Executive Director to finalize and distribute confidential memo on remaining three project options for the Board
- Prepare technical and financial materials for Lab review
- Schedule board presentation for fall based on Lab's recommendations

EXECUTIVE SESSION (If necessary)

At 7:23PM Mike Baden motioned to enter Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the employment history of an individual. Donna Egan seconded the motion. Vote 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent.

The Board entered Executive Session at 7:28PM and requested everyone to leave except, Marc Rider, Executive Director and Agency Counsel.

Approximately halfway through Executive Session, the Board asked Executive Director to exit Executive Session. The Board continued their discussion during Executive Session with only Agency Counsel present.

Chris Hurlbert motioned to exit Executive Session at 8:24PM and it was seconded by Donna Egan. Vote 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent.

No executive decisions were made or votes taken during the executive session.

ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn July 9, 2026, Special Board Meeting at 8:26 PM was made by Mike Baden and seconded by Chris Hurlbert. 5 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 absent.

October 22, 2026

Motion to approve the above transcribed Minutes of July 9, 2026 Special Board Meeting was made by _____, seconded by _____.
in favor, _____ opposed, _____ absent.

The Minutes were approved by the Board.

Transcribed by: Nancy Lam, Agency Counsel

Signatures:

James Gordon, Chair