

Budget & Appropriations

BOL Meeting Minutes - Published Draft



Committee Chair: Jewel Williams Johnson

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Monday, July 28, 2025

10:00 AM

Committee Room

CALL TO ORDER

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Legislator Colin Smith will be participating remotely from 1132 Main Street, Suite 1, Peekskill, New York 10566

Legislator Judah Holstein will be participating remotely from 175 Memorial Highway, New Rochelle, 10801

With a quorum present, Chair Williams Johnson called the meeting to order at 10:12 AM.

Others in Attendance: GUESTS: Kathleen O'Connor (remote), Peter Tartaglia (remote), Robert Lopane (remote), Larry Soule, Dianne Vanadia (remote), Dr. Belinda Miles, Dr. Erik Fortune, Dr. Leroy Mitchell, Ben Naylor, Lamont Watson, Greg Robeson Smith, Garrett McAllister and Lyndon Williams; BOL: Legislator David Imamura, Legislator Margaret Cunzio, Legislator Benjamin Boykin, Legislator Emiljana Ulaj, Legislator Catherine Parker (remote), Legislator Terry Clements, Marcello Figueroa, Dylan Tragni (remote), Lisa Hochman (remote), Santiago Caceres, James Silverberg and Dayana Gómez-Holguín

Present: Legislator Williams Johnson, Legislator Barr, Legislator Pierce, Legislator Williams, Legislator Woodson-Samuels and Legislator Gashi

Absent: Legislator Smith and Legislator Tubiolo

Remote: Legislator Holstein

MINUTES APPROVAL

Monday, June 2, 2025 at 10:00 AM Minutes

On motion of Legislator Barr, seconded by Legislator Woodson-Samuels, the above item was approved. The motion carried.

I. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

1. [2025-312](#) **IMA-Sixth Grade Leadership Academy Program-Yonkers**

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into an inter-municipal agreement with the City of Yonkers, for a Sixth Grade Leadership Academy program for the period commencing retroactively on January 1, 2025 and expiring on December 31, 2025 for a total amount of TWO HUNDRED TWENTY THOUSAND (\$220,000) DOLLARS , comprised of an amount not to exceed ONE HUNDRED TEN THOUSAND (\$110,000) DOLLARS payable by the County plus a 100% match from the Municipality.

COMMITTEE REFERRAL: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS AND VETERANS, SENIORS & YOUTH

B&A Only.

Guest: Youth Bureau

Executive Director Ernest McFadden

On motion of Legislator Williams, seconded by Legislator Woodson-Samuels, the above item was signed by committee and referred to Board of Legislators. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Legislator Williams Johnson, Legislator Barr, Legislator Pierce, Legislator Williams, Legislator Woodson-Samuels and Legislator Gashi

Absent: Legislator Smith and Legislator Tubiolo

Away: Legislator Holstein

2. [2025-326](#) **ACT-Deferred Compensation Plan**

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to adopt the Deferred Compensation Plan for Employees of the State of New York and Other participating Public Jurisdictions for voluntary participation of all eligible employees.

SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEE ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS

B&A Only.

Guests:

Commissioner Karin Hablow-Finance

Director Larry Soule-Budget

Senior Assistant County Attorney J.P. Iannace

Program Director Patrick Ray-NYS Deferred Compensation Plan

Senior Vice President Frank Picarelli-Segal Marco Advisors

With a motion by Legislator Gashi seconded by Legislator Williams, the committee voted unanimously to go into executive session at 10:28am. With a motion by Legislator Woodson-Samuels seconded by Legislator Williams, the committee voted unanimously to come out of executive session at 11:02am. The committee voted to go into executive session pursuant to the New York State Open Meetings Law Section 105(f).

On motion of Legislator Pierce, seconded by Legislator Woodson-Samuels, the above item was signed by committee and referred to Board of Legislators. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Legislator Williams Johnson, Legislator Barr, Legislator Holstein, Legislator Pierce, Legislator Williams, Legislator Woodson-Samuels and Legislator Gashi

Absent: Legislator Smith and Legislator Tubiolo

3. [2025-319](#) **ACT-Acq. of Real Property and Permanent Easements-Village of Croton-on-Hudson-RB03W**

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to acquire real property and permanent easements from the Village of Croton-on-Hudson and execute a correction deed, with regard to the replacement of the bridge over the Croton River on Quaker Bridge Road in the Village of Croton-on-Hudson, Town of Cortlandt.

SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEE ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS

B&A Only.

Guest: Law Department

Associate County Attorney Rachel Noe

On motion of Legislator Pierce, seconded by Legislator Barr, the above item was signed by committee and referred to Board of Legislators. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Legislator Williams Johnson, Legislator Barr, Legislator Holstein, Legislator Pierce, Legislator Williams, Legislator Woodson-Samuels and Legislator Gashi

Absent: Legislator Smith and Legislator Tubiolo

4. [2025-302](#) **BOND ACT(Amended)-BSS21-2917-Infrast. Improvements to Shelter Facilities-Coachman Family Center '25-'29**

A BOND ACT (Amended) authorizing the issuance of THREE HUNDRED EIGHTY-FIVE THOUSAND (\$385,000) DOLLARS in bonds of Westchester County to finance a component of Capital Project BSS21 - Infrastructure Improvements to Shelter Facilities - Coachman Family Center 2025-2029).

SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS, PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION AND HUMAN SERVICES

Joint with HS and PWT.

Guest: Department of Social Services

Reimbursement Manager Thomas Rooney

On motion of Legislator Williams Johnson, seconded by Legislator Pierce, the above item was signed by committee and referred to Board of Legislators. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Legislator Williams Johnson, Legislator Barr, Legislator Holstein, Legislator Pierce, Legislator Williams, Legislator Woodson-Samuels and Legislator Gashi

Absent: Legislator Smith and Legislator Tubiolo

5. [2025-303](#) **BOND ACT-BSS21-2962-Infrast. Improvements to Shelter Facilities-Coachman Family Center '25-'29**

A BOND ACT authorizing the issuance of FOUR HUNDRED SEVENTY THOUSAND (\$470,000) DOLLARS in bonds of Westchester County to finance Capital Project BSS21 -

Infrastructure Improvements to Shelter Facilities - Coachman Family Center (2025-2029).

SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS, PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION AND HUMAN SERVICES

Joint with HS and PWT.

Guest: Department of Social Services

Reimbursement Manager Thomas Rooney

On motion of Legislator Williams Johnson, seconded by Legislator Williams, the above item was signed by committee and referred to Board of Legislators. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Legislator Williams Johnson, Legislator Barr, Legislator Pierce, Legislator Williams, Legislator Woodson-Samuels and Legislator Gashi

Absent: Legislator Smith and Legislator Tubiolo

Away: Legislator Holstein

6. [2025-323](#) **ACT-100 College Avenue, Sleepy Hollow-Approval of Transfer and Amendments to the DRC**

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to approve the transfer of real property located at 100 College Avenue in the Village of Sleepy Hollow and enter into an amendment to the County Declaration of Restrictive Covenants for one hundred sixty-three (163) affordable rental units located thereon, in order to delete the right of first refusal clause and extend the affordability period.

SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS, PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION AND HOUSING & PLANNING

Joint with HP and PWT.

Guests: Planning Department

Director of Housing Theresa Fleischman

Associate County Attorney David Vutera

Assistant County Attorney Sean Curtin

On motion of Legislator Williams Johnson, seconded by Legislator Barr, the above item was signed by committee and referred to Board of Legislators. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Legislator Williams Johnson, Legislator Barr, Legislator Pierce, Legislator Williams, Legislator Woodson-Samuels and Legislator Gashi

Absent: Legislator Smith and Legislator Tubiolo

Away: Legislator Holstein

II. OTHER BUSINESS

III. RECEIVE & FILE

1. [2025-317](#) **CLERK OF THE BOARD - DA Special Prosecutors**

Forwarded by the Clerk of the Board, pursuant to ACT 77-2025, is the quarterly update for

appointments and payments of special prosecutors.

COMMITTEE REFERRAL: COMMITTEE ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS

On motion of Legislator Pierce, seconded by Legislator Williams, the above item was received, filed, and approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Legislator Williams Johnson, Legislator Barr, Legislator Pierce, Legislator Williams, Legislator Woodson-Samuels and Legislator Gashi

Absent: Legislator Smith and Legislator Tubiolo

Away: Legislator Holstein

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Legislator Pierce, seconded by Legislator Williams Johnson, the Committee adjourned at 11:34am.

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