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Committee Chair: Colin Smith

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1:00 PM

Committee Room

Joint with P&E and L&HR

CALL TO ORDER

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

With a quorum present, Chair Smith called the meeting to order at 1:09 p.m.

Others in Attendance: BOL: Legislators: Erika Pierce and Jewel Williams Johnson; Legislators (Remote): Judah Holstein and Catherine Parker; Committee Coordinators: Jill Axelrod, James Silverberg, and Shatika Parker; Marcello Figueroa; Lisa Hochman (Remote); Law Dept.: Carla Chaves; Parks Dept.: Peter Tartaglia (Remote); County Executive's Office: Copernicus Crane Present: Legislator Smith, Legislator Boykin, Legislator Nolan, Legislator Tubiolo, Legislator

Ulaj, Legislator Woodson-Samuels and Legislator Imamura

Absent: Legislator Cunzio

MINUTES APPROVAL

Monday, May 19, 2025 at 1:00 p.m.

On motion of Legislator Imamura, seconded by Legislator Woodson-Samuels, the minutes were approved. The motion carried unanimously.

I. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

1. <u>ACT-2025-111</u> <u>IMA-Volunteer Training Program-Putnam-Northern Westchester</u> BOCES

Guests: Law Dept.: Senior Assistant County Attorney Carla Chaves; Parks Dept.: Commissioner Kathy O'Connor and First Deputy Commissioner Peter Tartaglia Ms. Chaves said this IMA allows Putnam/Norther Westchester BOCES to implement a volunteer training program wherein middle and high school students supplement classroom instruction by volunteering at various County park facilities to conduct activities such as

landscape maintenance, painting, and other general maintenance of grounds and buildings.

First Deputy Commissioner Tartaglia said that this is beneficial for the County because we are vocationally training young people, which creates a pipeline for future employees, whether they start as hourly employees or become full-time employees.

Legislator Boykin wanted to put on the record that for insurance purposes, the County is only liable in cases arising out of the County's sole negligence. Ms. Chaves said that the IMA contains a standard indemnity obligation where BOCES is responsible to indemnify the County, and there is additional language in the Act providing that if an injury is due solely to the County's negligence, then the County must indemnify BOCES or the student.

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

2. RES-2025-63 RES-2025 Federal Joint Legislative Package

Guest: Representative from the County Executive's Office

Mr. Crane discussed the items in the packet: Ensure Medicaid/Medicare Benefits Remain at Current Levels; Prevent Social Security Payment Delays and Reopen a White Plains Office; Oppose Cuts to FEMA and to the Department of Health and Human Services; Reopen the Montrose Hudson Valley VA Hospital; Restore the SALT Deduction (SALT); Pass a Middle Class Tax Cut; Protect Childcare and Free School Lunches; Fund a Child Tax Credit; End the Trade War and New Tariffs; End Unlawful Circumvention of Due Process; Oppose Education Cuts to High Schools and Colleges; Block Any Cuts to Section 8 Vouchers or Federal Housing Program; Data Protection and the Misuse of Artificial Intelligence; and Oppose Cuts to SNAP Benefits and Environmental Remediation Programs.

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

Aye: Legislator Smith, Legislator Boykin, Legislator Tubiolo, Legislator Ulaj,

Legislator Woodson-Samuels and Legislator Imamura

Absent: Legislator Cunzio

Away: Legislator Nolan

RES-2025-64 HOME RULE-A8029A-S7422A-Red Light Camera-Saw Mill River Parkway

With a motion by Legislator Boykin seconded by Legislator Woodson-Samuels, the item was added to the agenda.

Chair Smith explained that the previously approved Home Rule in connection with State legislation regarding red light cameras needed to be amended because the State legislation has been amended. Mr. Crane said the prior legislation gave the County 100% of the revenue, which would have been atypical for a red light camera program, but now provides for an 80%/20% split between the County and the municipality where the red light camera is being installed. He added that the new law requires that the County have written permission to install the cameras rather than an agreement.

On motion of Legislator Woodson-Samuels, seconded by Legislator Imamura, the above item

was signed by committee and referred to Board of Legislators. The motion carried.

II. OTHER BUSINESS

III. RECEIVE & FILE

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Legislator Woodson-Samuels, seconded by Legislator Tubiolo, the Committee adjourned at 2:32 p.m.

