



Parks & Recreation

BOL Meeting Minutes - Final

Committee Chair: David Tubiolo

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White Plains, NY 10601
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Wednesday, June 1, 2022

10:00 AM

Committee Room

CALL TO ORDER

Joint with Budget and Appropriations and Public Works & Transportation

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<https://westchestercountyny.legistar.com>.*

With a quorum present, Legislator Damon Maher called the meeting to order at 10:12 AM.

*Others in Attendance: BOL: Legislator Tyrae Woodson-Samuels, Legislator Colin Smith, Legislator Jewel Williams Johnson, Beth LoBello, Jill Axelrod, James Silverberg
REMOTE: Parks Department, Kathleen O'Connor, Peter Tartaglia, Ken Uhle and Gideon Grande*

Present: Legislator Barr and Legislator Maher

Remote: Committee Chair Tubiolo, Legislator Nolan, Committee Vice-Chair Parker and Legislator Shimsky

MINUTES APPROVAL

May 17, 2022 at 10AM Minutes

On motion of Legislator Barr, seconded by Legislator Shimsky, the above item was approved. The motion carried unanimously.

I. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

[RES-2022-117 ENV RES-RCL01-Cranberry Lake Nature Center](#)

AN ENVIRONMENTAL RESOLUTION determining that there will be no significant adverse impact on the environment from the Amended Bond Act for Capital Project RCL01 - Cranberry Lake Nature Center.

Submitted by: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS, PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION AND PARKS & RECREATION

Joint with B&A and PW&T

Guest: Department of Parks & Recreation, First Deputy Commissioner Peter Tartaglia
First Deputy Commissioner Tartaglia said that the Parks Department requested and received

design funding for this in 2013. The need was there then and is certainly there now. There is currently a 1,000 square foot shack being used as a nature center at Cranberry Lake Preserve. The new building will be 4,900 square feet, and will provide patrons with year round use, serve school groups and children's ecology programs. This will become a biodiversity hub and training center.

Legislator Maher asked for photos of what the shack looks like now and renderings of what we plan to do. Due to technical problems, Mr. Tartaglia was unable to share them with the committee members present in the committee room. He said he would email them to the legislators. Legislator Maher asked if there is sufficient parking. Mr. Tartaglia said there is a second project coming next year to build additional parking and site work. Legislator Williams Johnson asked if they are going to incorporate solar on the new roof. Mr. Tartaglia said that solar is not practical because there are so many trees.

On motion of Legislator Maher, seconded by Legislator Barr, the above item was signed by committee.

[ACT-2022-75](#) BOND ACT(Amended)-RCL01-Cranberry Lake Nature Center

A BOND ACT (Amended) authorizing the issuance of additional bonds of Westchester County in the amount of FOUR MILLION, SIX HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND (\$4,650,000) DOLLARS to finance Capital Project RCL01 - Cranberry Lake Nature Center.

Submitted by: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS, PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION AND PARKS & RECREATION

Joint with B&A and PW&T

Guest: Department of Parks & Recreation, First Deputy Commissioner Peter Tartaglia

See discussion of Item #1 above.

On motion of Legislator Maher, seconded by Legislator Barr, the above item was signed by committee to the Board of Legislators committee.

II. OTHER BUSINESS

III. RECEIVE & FILE

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Committee Chair Tubiolo, seconded by Legislator Barr, the above item was adjourned at 10:49 AM. The motion carried unanimously.