

# Public Safety

## BOL Meeting Minutes - Published Draft



Committee Chair: Terry Clements

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**Tuesday, January 30, 2024**

**4:15 PM**

**Committee Room**

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### CALL TO ORDER

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Legislator Colin Smith joined remotely from 1132 Main St Suite 1 Peekskill, NY 10566

Legislator Margaret Cunzio joined remotely from 770 Commerce Street Thornwood, NY 10594

With a quorum present, Chair Clements called the meeting to order at 4:17 PM.

Others in Attendance: GUESTS: Brian Powers and James Luciano BOL: Legislator Judah Holstein, Shatika Parker

**Present:** Legislator Clements, Legislator Boykin and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

**Remote:** Legislator Cunzio and Legislator Smith

### MINUTES APPROVAL

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On motion of Legislator Boykin, seconded by Legislator Woodson-Samuels, the minutes were approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** Legislator Clements, Legislator Boykin, Legislator Cunzio, Legislator Smith  
and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

### I. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

[ACT-2024-7](#) **IMA-Project STRIV-Putnam Northern Westchester BOCES**

Guests:

Patricia Tomassi, Stop DWI  
Chief James Luciano, Department of Public Safety  
Sergeant Brian Powers, Department of Public Safety

*Patricia Tomassi began to discuss the legislation by thanking Legislators Cunzio and Pierce for their support. She stated this is a stop the school violence initiative that is much needed.*

On motion of Legislator Woodson-Samuels, seconded by Legislator Boykin, the above item was signed by committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** Legislator Clements, Legislator Boykin, Legislator Cunzio, Legislator Smith and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

[ACT-2024-9](#) **BOND ACT-BPS37-New Stop DWI Simulator, BPS39-Helicopter Airborne Camera**

Guests:

Patricia Tomassi, Stop DWI  
Chief James Luciano, Department of Public Safety  
Sergeant Brian Powers, Department of Public Safety

*Legislator Clements asked Patricia Tomassi if this was the same project the committee met about last year regarding STOP DWI and Ms. Tomassi confirmed. The previous machine was outdated and needed to be replaced.*

*Legislator Woodson-Samuels asked questions in relation to the helicopter camera and the infrared light. Chief Luciano and Sgt. Powers explained that a new helicopter camera is necessary because the old camera is not compatible with the new helicopter recently purchased. They also explained the new technology of the new infrared light that will assist them in executing their duties more effectively.*

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

**Aye:** Legislator Clements, Legislator Boykin, Legislator Cunzio, Legislator Smith and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

[ACT-2024-10](#) **BOND ACT-BES25-Replacement of Fire Engine Pumper Truck, BES26-Mobile Emergency Communications Unit**

Guests:

CMSR Richard Wishnie, Department of Emergency Services  
Deputy CMSR Susan Spear, Department of Emergency Services  
Chief Neil Caputo, Department of Emergency Services  
Chief Michael Volk, Department of Emergency Services

*Legislator Clements asked about the timing as it relates to the Fire Engine Pumper Truck replacement. They department said that it can take up to 2 years before it is delivered.*

*Legislator Woodson Samuels asked about being able to borrow resources from neighboring*

*municipalities and the department confirmed the availability of other resources until the Fire Engine Pumper is replaced.*

*Legislator Boykin clarified, the new Mobile Emergency Communications Unit will have the capacity to communicate across municipalities.*

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

**Aye:** Legislator Clements, Legislator Boykin, Legislator Cunzio, Legislator Smith and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

**II. OTHER BUSINESS**

**III. RECEIVE & FILE**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Legislator Woodson-Samuels, seconded by Legislator Boykin, the Committee adjourned at 4:36 PM by the following vote:

**Aye:** Legislator Clements, Legislator Boykin, Legislator Cunzio, Legislator Smith and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

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