

Budget & Appropriations

BOL Meeting Minutes - Published Draft



Committee Chair: Jewel Williams Johnson

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Monday, September 23, 2024

10:00 AM

Committee Room

Joint with ITC, PE and PWT

CALL TO ORDER

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

With a quorum present, Vice-Chair Barr called the meeting to order at 10:07 AM.

Others in Attendance: GUESTS: James Luciano, Mike DeMaio, Mike Cindrich, Charlie Geraci, Richard Wishnie, Neil Caputo, Ernest McFadden, Peter Tartaglia, Rob Lopane, Aleksandar Milovanovic, Keith Hoffman, Vincent Kopicki, Nat Federici, Jazmin Logan, Robert Zambardino, Gayle Katzman, Robert Abbamont, Lindsay Jackson, David Kvinge, Doug Stiller; BOL: Catherine Parker, Warren Watson, Dayana Gomez, Ethan Samuel, Lisa Hochman, James Silverberg, Marcello Figueroa

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

Absent: Legislator Williams Johnson

Remote: Legislator Smith

MINUTES APPROVAL

I. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

1. [2024-433](#) **IMA-School Resource Officers-Somers Central School District**

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into an intermunicipal agreement with the Somers Central School District whereby the County will assign four (4) uniformed police officers to act as School Resource Officers for the District for a five (5) year term.

SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS AND PUBLIC SAFETY

B&A Only.

Guests: Department of Public Safety
Lieutenant Michael Demaio

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

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

Absent: Legislator Williams Johnson

2. [2024-447](#) **IMA-Justice Assistance Grant-Yonkers, Mount Vernon, New Rochelle**

AN ACT to authorize the County of Westchester to enter into a four-year intermunicipal agreement with the Cities of Yonkers, Mount Vernon and New Rochelle for the administration of the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant for 2023.

SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS AND PUBLIC SAFETY

B&A Only.

Guests: Department of Public Safety
Lieutenant Charlie Geraci

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

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

Absent: Legislator Williams Johnson

3. [2024-448](#) **IMA-RICI System-Putnam, Rockland, Dutchess**

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into intermunicipal agreements with the municipalities located within the County of Westchester, the counties of Putnam, Rockland and Dutchess, and the municipalities located within such counties, whereby the County will provide the counties and municipalities with access to a system called the Westchester County Repository for Integrated Criminalistic Information (RICI System) to allow for the electronic transmission and storage of criminal record and police blotter information.

SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS, PUBLIC SAFETY AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY & CYBERSECURITY

Joint with ITC.

Guests: Department of Public Safety
Lieutenant Michael Cindrich

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

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

Absent: Legislator Williams Johnson

4. [2024-430](#) **ACT-Enter into IMAs with Fire Districts to Distribute Equipment to Provide Emergency Medical Intervention Svcs.**

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester, acting by and through its Department of Emergency Services, to enter into intermunicipal agreements with the Hartsdale Fire District, Greenville Fire District and Fairview Fire District pursuant to which the County will distribute specialized equipment to the Fire Districts for use when providing emergency medical intervention services during incidences of domestic violence extremism as part of mutual aid.

SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS AND PUBLIC SAFETY

B&A Only.

Guests: Department of Emergency Services
Commissioner Richard Wishnie
Chief Neil Caputo, Fire Division Director

On motion of Legislator Holstein, 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 Barr, Legislator Holstein, Legislator Pierce, Legislator Smith, Legislator Tubiolo, Legislator Williams, Legislator Woodson-Samuels and Legislator Gashi

Absent: Legislator Williams Johnson

5. [2024-450](#) **ACT-Regional Partnership Agreement-Dutchess & Putnam Counties FY2021**

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into a Regional Partnership Agreement with Dutchess County and Putnam County in order to receive funding from the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services under the FY2021 Hazardous Materials Grant Program.

SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS AND PUBLIC SAFETY

B&A Only.

Guests: Department of Emergency Services
Commissioner Richard Wishnie
Chief Neil Caputo, Fire Division Director

On motion of Legislator Tubiolo, 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 Barr, Legislator Holstein, Legislator Pierce, Legislator Smith, Legislator Tubiolo, Legislator Williams, Legislator Woodson-Samuels and Legislator Gashi

Absent: Legislator Williams Johnson

6. [2024-451](#) **ACT-Regional Partnership Agreement-Dutchess & Putnam Counties FY2022**

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into a Regional Partnership Agreement with Dutchess County and Putnam County in order to receive funding from the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services under the FY2022 Hazardous Materials Grant Program.

SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS AND PUBLIC SAFETY

B&A Only.

Guests: Department of Emergency Services

Commissioner Richard Wishnie

Chief Neil Caputo, Fire Division Director

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

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

Absent: Legislator Williams Johnson

Away: Legislator Smith

7. [2024-453](#) **IMA-Summer Youth Employment & Training Services-Municipalities**

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into inter-municipal agreements with the cities of Mount Vernon, New Rochelle, Peekskill, Yonkers and White Plains, and the Villages of Ossining and Port Chester, through their respective youth bureaus, and the Town of Greenburgh, through its community center, pursuant to which the municipalities will provide summer youth employment and training services to eligible Westchester youth.

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

B&A Only.

Guests: Youth Bureau

Director Ernest McFadden

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

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

Absent: Legislator Williams Johnson

Away: Legislator Smith

8. [2024-467](#) **ACT-NYS Easement for George's Island Boat Launch and Dock**

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to accept an easement from the State of New York in order to use and maintain a boat launch, a floating dock and appurtenances on a parcel of land underwater, located in the Town of Cortlandt, New York, commonly known as the "George Island Park."

SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS AND PARKS & ENVIRONMENT

Joint with PE.

Guests: Department of Parks, Recreation & Conservation
First Deputy Commissioner Peter Tartaglia
Program Coordinator-Capital Planning Rob Lopane

On motion of Legislator Woodson-Samuels, 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 Barr, Legislator Holstein, Legislator Pierce, Legislator Tubiolo, Legislator Williams, Legislator Woodson-Samuels and Legislator Gashi

Absent: Legislator Williams Johnson

Away: Legislator Smith

9. [2024-500](#) **CBA-BLR12-Labs & Research Facility Rehabilitation and Upgrade**

AN ACT amending the 2024 County Capital Budget Appropriations for Capital Project BLR12-Labs & Research Facility Rehabilitation and Upgrade.

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

Joint with PWT.

Guests: Department of Labs & Research
Dr. Aleksandar Milovanovic
Chief Administrator Keith Hoffman

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

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

Absent: Legislator Williams Johnson

10. [2024-501](#) **BOND ACT-BLR12-Labs & Research Facility Rehabilitation and**

Upgrade

A BOND ACT authorizing the issuance of FOUR MILLION, TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$4,200,000) DOLLARS in bonds of Westchester County to finance Capital Project BLR12 - Labs & Research Facility Rehabilitation and Upgrade.

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

Joint with PWT.

Guests: Department of Labs & Research

Dr. Aleksandar Milovanovic

Chief Administrator Keith Hoffman

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

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

Absent: Legislator Williams Johnson

11. [2024-434](#) **CBA-SPK20-Forcemain Rehabilitation-Peekskill SSD**

AN ACT amending the 2024 County Capital Budget Appropriations for Capital Project SPK20 - Forcemain Rehabilitation - Peekskill Sanitary Sewer District.

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

Joint with PWT.

Guests: Department of Environmental Facilities

Commissioner Vincent Kopicki

On motion of Legislator Woodson-Samuels, 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 Barr, Legislator Holstein, Legislator Pierce, Legislator Smith, Legislator Tubiolo, Legislator Williams, Legislator Woodson-Samuels and Legislator Gashi

Absent: Legislator Williams Johnson

12. [2024-435](#) **BOND ACT-SPK20-Forcemain Rehabilitation-Peekskill SSD**

A BOND ACT authorizing the issuance of FIFTEEN MILLION, EIGHT HUNDRED NINETY FIVE THOUSAND (\$15,895,000) DOLLARS in bonds of Westchester County to finance Capital Project SPK20 - Forcemain Rehabilitation - Peekskill Sanitary Sewer District.

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

Joint with PWT.

Guests: Department of Environmental Facilities
Commissioner Vincent Kopicki

On motion of Legislator Woodson-Samuels, 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 Barr, Legislator Holstein, Legislator Pierce, Legislator Smith, Legislator Tubiolo, Legislator Williams, Legislator Woodson-Samuels and Legislator Gashi

Absent: Legislator Williams Johnson

13. [2024-436](#) **BOND ACT-SPK95-Pumping Station Rehabilitation Program-Peekskill SSD**

A BOND ACT authorizing the issuance of TWELVE MILLION, SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND (\$12,750,000) DOLLARS in bonds of Westchester County to finance Capital Project SPK95 - Pumping Station Rehabilitation Program - Peekskill SSD.

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

Joint with PWT.

Guests: Department of Environmental Facilities
Commissioner Vincent Kopicki

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

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

Absent: Legislator Williams Johnson

14. [2024-498](#) **CBA-SM034-Anita Lane Bridge, Mamaroneck SSD**

AN ACT amending the 2024 County Capital Budget Appropriations for Capital Project SM034 - Anita Lane Bridge - Mamaroneck Sanitary Sewer District.

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

Joint with PWT.
Guests: Department of Environmental Facilities
Commissioner Vincent Kopicki

Department of Public Works & Transportation
First Deputy Commissioner Gayle Katzman
Director of Operations Robert Abbamont

Department of Planning
Assistant Commissioner David Kvinge
Director of Flood Mitigation and Stability Dean Tarulli

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

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

Absent: Legislator Williams Johnson

15. [2024-499](#) **BOND ACT-SM034-Anita Lane Bridge, Mamaroneck SSD**

A BOND ACT authorizing the issuance of FIVE HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND (\$525,000) DOLLARS in bonds of Westchester County to finance Capital Project SM034 - Anita Lane Bridge, Mamaroneck Sanitary Sewer District.

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

Joint with PWT.
Guests: Department of Environmental Facilities
Commissioner Vincent Kopicki

Department of Public Works & Transportation
First Deputy Commissioner Gayle Katzman
Director of Operations Robert Abbamont

Department of Planning
Assistant Commissioner David Kvinge
Director of Flood Mitigation and Stability Dean Tarulli

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

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

Absent: Legislator Williams Johnson

II. OTHER BUSINESS

III. RECEIVE & FILE

1. [2024-449](#) Gift Acceptance-SOFOS Chiropractic

Forwarded by the County Executive, his written consent to accept gifts from Dr. Konstantinos Sofos, DC, of a Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream Party valued at approximately TWO THOUSAND, NINE HUNDRED TWENTY-SIX (\$2,926.00) DOLLARS and a 55" television set, valued at approximately FOUR HUNDRED (\$400.00) DOLLARS. Both donations will be used by those County employees attending the 2024 Employee Recognition Retreat to be held on Friday, August 23, 2024 at Ridge Road Park in Hartsdale.

COMMITTEE REFERRAL: COMMITTEE ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS

B&A Only.

On motion of Legislator Tubiolo, seconded by Legislator Woodson-Samuels, the above item was received, filed, and approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Legislator Barr, Legislator Pierce, Legislator Tubiolo, Legislator Woodson-Samuels and Legislator Gashi

Absent: Legislator Williams Johnson

Away: Legislator Holstein, Legislator Smith and Legislator Williams

2. [2024-452](#) Gift Acceptance-Regeneron Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

Forwarded from the County Executive, his written consent to accept a gift from Regeneron Pharmaceuticals, Inc. of consumable laboratory supplies for use by Westchester Community College's students in the Biology Department valued at approximately ONE HUNDRED SIXTY THOUSAND (\$160,000) DOLLARS.

COMMITTEE REFERRAL: COMMITTEE ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS

B&A Only.

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

Aye: Legislator Barr, Legislator Pierce, Legislator Tubiolo, Legislator Woodson-Samuels and Legislator Gashi

Absent: Legislator Williams Johnson

Away: Legislator Holstein, Legislator Smith and Legislator Williams

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Legislator Tubiolo, seconded by Legislator Woodson-Samuels, the Committee adjourned at 12:26 PM. by the following vote:

Aye: Legislator Barr, Legislator Pierce, Legislator Tubiolo, Legislator Woodson-Samuels and Legislator Gashi

Absent: Legislator Williams Johnson

Away: Legislator Holstein, Legislator Smith and Legislator Williams

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