

Appointments

BOL Meeting Minutes - Published Draft



Committee Chair: Catherine Parker

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4:15 PM

Committee Room

CALL TO ORDER

With a quorum present, Committee Chair, Legislator Catherine Parker called the meeting to order at 4:20PM. Also in attendance: Legislators: Jewel Williams-Johnson, Committee Coordinator: Althema Goodson,

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MINUTES APPROVAL

January 13, 2025 - 4:15PM

Present: Legislator Parker, Legislator Clements, Legislator Holstein, Legislator Williams and Legislator Gashi

Absent: Legislator Woodson-Samuels

I. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

2025-106 **Appointment to the WC Board of Health - Harris-Hollingsworth**

Dr. Harris-Hollingsworth shared her professional credentials and expressed her gratitude for the opportunity to serve in this capacity. She highlighted her deep love for Mount Vernon and emphasized her passion for public health and advocacy, which have driven much of her career.

Legislator Jewel Williams Johnson, the BOL's Liaison to the Board of Health, expressed the Board's enthusiasm for Dr. Harris-Hollingsworth's appointment, stating that they are eager to welcome her and are thrilled that she is joining the Board.

Chairman Vedat Gashi offered his strong recommendation of Dr. Harris-Hollingsworth, noting her extensive qualifications and experience. He thanked her for her years of dedication to public health and service.

Legislator Shanae Williams inquired about Dr. Harris-Hollingsworth's research, requesting further details on her work. Dr. Harris-Hollingsworth elaborated on her research focus, which includes reproductive health and concerns, adolescent pregnancy, as well as HIV and STIs. She provided an overview of her recent research and discussed the ongoing projects she is currently working on.

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

Aye: Legislator Parker, Legislator Clements, Legislator Holstein, Legislator Williams and Legislator Gashi

Absent: Legislator Woodson-Samuels

2025-107 **Appointment to the WC Climate Smart Communities Task Force - Alzapiedi**

Legislator Parker expressed her appreciation for the great individuals in Westchester County, highlighting the wealth of talent and qualifications within the community. She emphasized her pride in appointing two remarkable women during Women's History Month. Legislator Parker commended Ms. Alzapiedi's impressive resume, including extensive community service and professional experience.

Ms. Alzapiedi shared her gratitude for the appointment and her eagerness to collaborate with the board. She elaborated on her qualifications and her commitment to environmental issues. Ms. Alzapiedi expressed her excitement to contribute to the work of the Taskforce.

Legislator Parker praised Ms. Alzapiedi's excitement,

Chairman Gashi stated that Ms. Alzapiedi would be a valuable resource, and that the county is fortunate to have such talented individuals. He also expressed his enthusiasm for Ms. Alzapiedi's actionable goals.

On motion of Legislator Gashi, 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 Parker, Legislator Clements, Legislator Holstein, Legislator Williams and Legislator Gashi

Absent: Legislator Woodson-Samuels

II. OTHER BUSINESS

III. RECEIVE & FILE

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Legislator Holstein, seconded by Legislator Williams, the Committee adjourned at 4:47PM. by the following vote:

Aye: Legislator Parker, Legislator Clements, Legislator Holstein, Legislator Williams and Legislator Gashi

Absent: Legislator Woodson-Samuels

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