

# Legislation

## BOL Meeting Minutes - Published Draft



Committee Chair: Colin Smith

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**Monday, January 27, 2025**

**2:00 PM**

**Committee Room**

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**Joint with PE and VSY**

### CALL TO ORDER

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Legislator Emiljana Ulaj will be participating remotely from 520 White Plains Road, Tarrytown, NY 10591.

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 2:06 p.m.*

*Others in Attendance: BOL: Legislators: Erika Pierce and Catherine Parker; Legislators (Remote): Jose Alvarado and Shanae Williams; Committee Coordinators: Jill Axelrod, James Silverberg, and Althema Goodson; Marcello Figueroa, Santiago Caceres, Remote: Adrienne Kaye and Lisa Hochberg; Law Dept.: Shawna MacLeod, Stacey Dolgin-Kmetz (Remote); Parks Dept.: Peter Tartaglia (Remote)*

**Present:** Legislator Smith, Legislator Boykin, Legislator Nolan, Legislator Tubiolo, Legislator Woodson-Samuels, Legislator Cunzio, Legislator Imamura and Legislator Gashi

**Remote:** Legislator Ulaj

### MINUTES APPROVAL

#### I. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

[ACT-2025-27](#) **ACT - WC PARKS PASSES FREE FOR VETERANS**

#### Guests:

**Peter Tartaglia**, First Deputy Commissioner - Westchester County Department of Parks, Recreation & Conservation

**Stacey Dolgin-Kmetz**, Chief Deputy County Attorney - Westchester County Attorney's Office

**Shawna MacLeod**, Senior Assistant County Attorney-Westchester County Attorney's Office

*Ms. MacLeod explained that this legislation provides that U.S. veterans living in the County are entitled to a free Westchester County Park Pass. She said that the legislation also provides that the veteran must present a form of identification listed, or "other valid form of proof of U.S. veteran status." Legislator Imamura asked who determines what is a valid form of proof, and suggested that the section be amended to clarify who will determine that. After discussion with the legislators and First Deputy Commissioner Tartaglia, Ms. MacLeod confirmed that Section 2B will be amended to add "as determined by the Westchester County Veterans Service Agency."*

*Legislator Nolan and Legislator Pierce suggested that the Parks Department create a list of veterans who qualify for the free Park Pass since the County does not currently have a list of veterans, and doing so would help ensure the County works with veterans at the best level.*

*At Legislator Pierce's suggestion, Mr. Tartaglia discussed the benefits of the Parks Pass.*

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

**Aye:** Legislator Smith, Legislator Boykin, Legislator Nolan, Legislator Tubiolo, Legislator Ulaj, Legislator Woodson-Samuels, Legislator Cunzio, Legislator Imamura and Legislator Gashi

## **II. OTHER BUSINESS**

## **III. RECEIVE & FILE**

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Legislator Tubiolo, seconded by Legislator Imamura, the Committee adjourned at 2:42 p.m. by the following vote:

**Aye:** Legislator Smith, Legislator Boykin, Legislator Nolan, Legislator Tubiolo, Legislator Ulaj, Legislator Woodson-Samuels, Legislator Cunzio, Legislator Imamura and Legislator Gashi