

George Latimer
County Executive

WHEREAS, a vacancy exists in the membership of the Westchester County Transportation Board:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, George Latimer, County Executive of Westchester County, in accordance with the terms and provisions of the Westchester County Charter, appoint Thomas J. Ross, 18 No. Broadway, Unit 403, Tarrytown, New York as a member of the Westchester County Transportation Board, for the term August 31, 2021 to December 31, 2023.

Given under my hand
and seal this 31st day
of August, 2021.


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August 31, 2021

Mr. Thomas J. Ross
18 N. Broadway, Unit 403
Tarrytown, NY 10591

Dear Mr. Ross,

It is my pleasure to appoint you to serve as a member of the Westchester County Transportation Board, effective today, Tuesday, August 31, 2021, pursuant to the Laws of Westchester County §137.11. This appointment is for a term to expire on December 31, 2023.

Your appointment is subject to confirmation by the Westchester County Board of Legislators, but your service begins immediately. You must complete the attached Oath of Office and file it with the County Clerk prior to the next Transportation Board meeting, and provide this office with a copy within 30 days. Please contact the Westchester County Department of Public Works and Transportation at (914) 995-2548 for the date, place, and time of the Transportation Board's upcoming meeting for your participation.

When you have filed your Oath of Office, a Resolution to confirm your appointment will be submitted to the County Board of Legislators. As part of the confirmation process, you may be called before the Board to be interviewed.

Pursuant to Local Law, as a member of a Westchester County Board and/or Commission, you are responsible for adhering to the requirements of our Code of Ethics, which includes the annual filing of a financial disclosure statement with the County Board of Ethics. A financial disclosure form is attached.

Warmest wishes for a successful tenure.

Very Truly Yours,



George Latimer
Westchester County Executive

GL/tts

cc: Honorable Board of Legislators
Hugh Greechan, Commissioner – Department of Public Works and Transportation
Joan McDonald, Director of Operations

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Experience

Executive Director Pace Suburban Bus – Arlington Heights, Illinois 1998-2018
Responsible for the safe operation of public transit bus service to the seven million residents outside the City of Chicago and complementary ADA services throughout the entire Chicago Metropolitan region.
Reported directly to a 13 member Board of Directors
Directly employed 1800 individuals and another 2000 through service contracts
Managed an operating budget in excess of \$300 million and a capital budget that varied from \$30 to \$80 million annually.

Various positions up to General Manager – Phoenix Transit System 1975-1998

Held various positions beginning as a Planning Engineer and progressing through the positions of Director of Maintenance, Director of Operations and Maintenance and finally as General Manager of the System.
Final position reported directly to The City of Phoenix Public Transit Director and to the Regional Manager of ATC/Vancom.
Directly managed 600 employees that provided public transit bus services to the 2.5 million residents of the Phoenix Metropolitan Region

Education/Certifications

University of Iowa – B.S. – Civil Engineering, M.S. Civil Engineering Urban Institute Transportation Program

Arizona State University – Masters of Public Administration

Registered Professional Engineer – State of Arizona

Examples of Projects and Accomplishments

- **Fare Systems – Developed credit card fare payment system for Phoenix Transit.**
- **Implemented Ventra Fare System in coordination with CTA at Pace Suburban Bus**
- **Intelligent Bus System (IBS) – Implemented IBS – Pace**
- **Enterprise Resource Program – Implemented Oracle based system – Pace**
- **Transit Signal Priority System – Implemented – Pace**
- **LNG fueled Buses – Implemented – Phoenix Transit**
- **CNG fueled Buses – Implemented – Pace**
- **Bus on Shoulder Service – implemented I-55 Service – Pace**
- **Operated 800 vehicle Van Pool service- Pace**
- **Constructed in-line I-90 Tollway bus terminal – Pace**
- **Developed Pace Strategic Plan to reorganize service and maintain financial stability**
- **Achieved pension funding levels of over 90% - Pace**
- **Managed system through series of political and financial crisis – Pace**
- **Secured State funding that allowed Pace to successfully weather the 2008 financial crisis**
- **Established capital plan that resulted in Pace receiving substantially increased capital project funding in 2019.**
- **Took over Chicago ADA services in 2006. Stabilized services operationally and financially and brought into complete compliance with Federal law.**
- **Consistently received “no findings” Triennial reviews in all areas – Pace**
- **Consistently received “clean” single audit reports.**

**COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER
OATH OF OFFICE
For Appointees to County Boards and Commissions**

STATE OF NEW YORK)
) ss.:
COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER)

I, THOMAS J ROSS do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support
(Print or Type Name)

the constitution of the United States, and the constitution of the State of New York, and that I will
faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Westchester County Transportation Board in and for the
County of Westchester, according to the best of my ability.

Date: 9/8/2021 Thomas J Ross
(Signature)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 8 day of September,
2021.

Regina W. Butcher

(Signature)

REGINA W. BUTCHER

(Print or Type Name)

ADMIN ASSIST

(Title of Official Administering Oath)

REGINA W. BUTCHER
Notary Public, State of New York
No. 01BU8213143
Qualified in Westchester County
Commission Expires November 2, 2021

Mail original Oath of Office to Office to Andrew Ferris, Office of the County Executive, 148 Martine Ave., Room 916D, White Plains, NY 10601 for filing within thirty (30) days of the commencement of the term of office or the notice of appointment.