

Budget & Appropriations

BOL Meeting Minutes - Final



Committee Chair: Jewel Williams Johnson

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Monday, July 22, 2024

10:00 AM

Committee Room

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, Chair Williams Johnson called the meeting to order at 10:15 AM.

Others in Attendance: GUESTS: Hugh Greechan, Peter Tartaglia, Gayle Katzman, Rob Lopane, Dave DeLuca, Brian Hegt, Belinda Miles, Garrett McAlister, Dawn Gillins, LeRoy Mitchell, Erik Fortune; BOL: Ben Boyking, David Imamura, Catherine Parker, Terry Clements, Greg Casciato, Santiago Caceras, Warren Watson, Jill Axelrod, James Silverberg

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

Remote: Legislator Barr and Legislator Smith

MINUTES APPROVAL

I. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

1. [ACT-2024-143](#) **CBA-RGI04-Glen Island Bridge Rehabilitation III**

AN ACT amending the 2024 County Capital Budget Appropriations for RG104 Glen Island Bridge Rehabilitation III.

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

Joint with P&E and PWT.

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

First Deputy Commissioner Gayle Katzman - Public Works and Transportation Department

Principal & Director of Business Development David DeLuca, PE, DBIA - Hardesty and Hanover, LLC

Mr. DeLuca explained that Hardesty and Hanover put together the estimate in November of 2023 and at that time the estimate was feasible and accounted for inflation costs as trended after COVID. However, since then, several materials increased drastically (like copper for example) and very few contractors with enough supplies to conduct the work on this project. He added that Hardesty and Hanover is a reputable consulting firm with expertise on moveable bridges throughout the country that can be trusted to get this work done and this unforeseen circumstance is actually rare. Typically, in other bids the builder does not share the cost breakdown, however they only learned about the exact bid cost totals in the tristate area until a week before this meeting. In his cost explanation, Mr. DeLuca provided a general overview on those bids and how they can contribute to the steep price increase that are now affecting this project.

Mr. Tartaglia shared that within the department's options for this bridge there were other possibilities that did not include building a temporary bridge, however due to the needs of Coast Guard, local use and efficiency, building a temporary bridge is the best solution to accommodate usual access.

Once the contract is awarded, that is the amount that it will be and they would not return in the future for increased funding for this project as it includes contingencies. Hardesty and Hanover has an estimating team that uses a combination of resources, including the State's website, to ensure having the most accurate data possible. Once rehabilitated, there is no reason to believe that the bridge will not last less than 50 years.

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

Away: Legislator Barr

2. [ACT-2024-144](#) **BOND ACT(Amended)-RGI04-Glen Island Bridge Rehabilitation III**

A BOND ACT (Amended) authorizing the issuance of an additional THIRTY FIVE MILLION (\$35,000,000) DOLLARS in bonds of Westchester County to finance Capital Project RG 104 - Glen Island Bridge Rehabilitation III.

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

Joint with P&E and PWT.

Guests: Department of Parks, Recreation & Conservation
First Deputy Commissioner Peter Tartaglia
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First Deputy Commissioner Gayle Katzman - Public Works and Transportation Department

Principal & Director of Business Development David DeLuca, PE, DBIA - Hardesty and Hanover, LLC

Please see the previous item for discussion.

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

Away: Legislator Barr

3. [ACT-2024-140](#) **ACT-Westchester Community College 2024-2025 Budget**

AN ACT adopting the Westchester County Community College Budget and making appropriations for the operation of the Westchester Community College.

SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEE ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS

B&A Only.

Guests: Westchester Community College
President Dr. Belinda Miles
Comptroller Dawn Gillins
Acting VP for IT Garrett MaCallister
Director of HR Auora Workman

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

Away: Legislator Barr, Legislator Smith and Legislator Williams

II. OTHER BUSINESS

III. RECEIVE & FILE

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Legislator Pierce, seconded by Legislator Woodson-Samuels, the Committee adjourned at 12:32 PM. by the following vote:

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

Away: Legislator Barr

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