



Public Works & Transportation

BOL Meeting Minutes - Published Draft

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10:00 AM

Committee Room

CALL TO ORDER

Joint with Budget & Appropriations and Parks & Recreation committees

This meeting was held pursuant to Chapter 1 of the New York State Laws of 2022 and Executive Order 11, as extended, which authorize any public body to meet and take such action authorized by law without permitting in public-in-person access to meetings and authorize such meetings to be held remotely by conference call or similar service, provided that the public has the ability to view or listen to such proceeding and that such meetings are recorded and later transcribed. To access the meeting, please visit: <https://westchestercountyny.legistar.com>.

With a quorum present, Vice-Chair Woodson-Samulels called the meeting to order at 10:12 a.m.

Others in attendance: BOL: Legislators: Damon Maher and Jewel Williams Johnson; Legislator James Nolan (Remote); Committee Coordinators: James Silverberg, Jill Axelrod, and Beth LoBello; Parks Dept: Remote: Peter Tartaglia and Ken Uhle

Present: Legislator Barr and Committee Vice-Chair Woodson-Samuels

Remote: Committee Chair Shimsky, Legislator Parker, Legislator Smith and Legislator Tubiolo

MINUTES APPROVAL

Tuesday, May 24th, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

On motion of Legislator Barr, seconded by Legislator Parker, the minutes were approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Committee Chair Shimsky, Legislator Barr, Legislator Parker, Legislator Smith, Legislator Tubiolo and Committee Vice-Chair Woodson-Samuels

I. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

1. [2022-265](#) **ENV RES-RCL01-Cranberry Lake Nature Center**

Guests: Parks Dept.: First Deputy Commissioner Peter Tartaglia

First Deputy Commissioner Tartaglia said that the Parks Department requested and received design funding for this in 2013. The need was there then and is certainly there now. There is currently a 1000 square foot shack being used as a nature center at Cranberry Lake Preserve. The new building will be 4900 square feet, and will provide patrons with year round use, serve school groups and children's ecology programs. This will become a biodiversity hub and

training center. Legislator Maher asked for photos of what the shack looks like now and renderings of what we plan to do. Due to technical problems, Mr. Tartaglia was unable to share them with the committee members present in the committee room. He said he would email them to the legislators.

Legislator Maher asked if there is sufficient parking. Mr. Tartaglia said there is a second project coming next year to build additional parking and site work. Legislator Williams Johnson asked if they are going to incorporate solar on the new roof. Mr. Tartaglia said that solar is not practical because there are so many trees.

On motion of Legislator Smith, seconded by Committee Chair Shimsky, the above item was signed by committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Committee Chair Shimsky, Legislator Barr, Legislator Parker, Legislator Smith, Legislator Tubiolo and Committee Vice-Chair Woodson-Samuels

2. [2022-266](#) **BOND ACT(Amended)-RCL01-Cranberry Lake Nature Center**

Guests: Parks Dept.: First Deputy Commissioner Peter Tartaglia

See discussion of Item #1 above.

On motion of Legislator Smith, seconded by Committee Chair Shimsky, the above item was signed by committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Committee Chair Shimsky, Legislator Barr, Legislator Parker, Legislator Smith, Legislator Tubiolo and Committee Vice-Chair Woodson-Samuels

II. OTHER BUSINESS

III. RECEIVE & FILE

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Legislator Tubiolo, seconded by Legislator Barr, the Committee adjourned at 10:56 a.m. by the following vote:

Aye: Committee Chair Shimsky, Legislator Barr, Legislator Parker, Legislator Smith, Legislator Tubiolo and Committee Vice-Chair Woodson-Samuels