

# Budget & Appropriations

## BOL Meeting Minutes - Published Draft



Committee Chair: Jewel Williams Johnson

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**Monday, April 28, 2025**

**10:00 AM**

**Committee Room**

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### 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 10:08 AM.*

*Others in Attendance: GUESTS: Vincent Kopicki, Steve Elie-Pierre, Michael Swee, Craig Lader, Peter Tartaglia, John Paul Iannace; BOL: Catherine Parker, Jill Axelrod, James Silverberg, Lisa Hochman, Ethan Samuel, Santiago Caceras*

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

**Absent:** Legislator Barr

**Remote:** Legislator Smith

### MINUTES APPROVAL

Monday, April 14, 2025 at 10:00 AM Minutes

On motion of Legislator Pierce, seconded by Legislator Woodson-Samuels, the above item was approved. 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

**Absent:** Legislator Barr

### I. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

#### 1. [2025-146](#) **PH-Amendment to Lease Agreement-Westchester Children's Museum**

A RESOLUTION to set a Public Hearing on "A LOCAL LAW authorizing the County of Westchester to amend a lease agreement with the Westchester Children's Museum for the

operation of a children's museum on approximately 21,390 square feet of County property in order to extend the term an additional twenty (20) years and to amend and clarify certain other provisions of the lease agreement." [Public Hearing set for \_\_\_\_\_, 2025 at \_\_\_\_\_.m.].  
LOCAL LAW INTRO: 2025-147.

**COMMITTEE REFERRAL: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS, PARKS & ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION**

Joint with PE and PWT.  
Guests: Parks, Recreation and Conservation  
First Deputy Commissioner Peter Tartaglia

Senior Assistant County Attorney John Paul Iannace

On motion of Legislator Woodson-Samuels, seconded by Legislator Tubiolo, 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

**Absent:** Legislator Barr

2. [2025-147](#) **LOCAL LAW-Amendment of Lease Agreement-Westchester Children's Museum**

A LOCAL LAW authorizing the County of Westchester to amend a lease agreement with the Westchester Children's Museum for the operation of a children's museum on approximately 21,390 square feet of County property in order to extend the term an additional twenty (20) years and to amend and clarify certain other provisions of the lease agreement.

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Senior Assistant County Attorney John Paul Iannace

On motion of Legislator Woodson-Samuels, seconded by Legislator Tubiolo, 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

**Absent:** Legislator Barr

3. [2025-148](#) **PH-Sewer District Mod-Add-Cortlandt**

A RESOLUTION to set a Public Hearing on "AN ACT to modify the Peekskill Sanitary Sewer District by the addition of one (1) parcel of property located in the Town of Cortlandt." [Public Hearing set for \_\_\_\_\_, 2025 at \_\_\_\_\_.m.]. Act 2025-149.

***COMMITTEE REFERRAL: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS AND PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION***

Joint with PWT.

Guests: Department of Environmental Facilities

Commissioner Vincent Kopicki

Director of Maintenance Steve Elie-Pierre

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

**Absent:** Legislator Barr

4. [2025-149](#) **ACT-Sewer District Mod-Add-Cortlandt**

AN ACT to modify the Peekskill Sanitary Sewer District by the addition of one (1) parcel of property located in the Town of Cortlandt.

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Joint with PWT.

Guests: Department of Environmental Facilities

Commissioner Vincent Kopicki

Director of Maintenance Steve Elie-Pierre

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

**Absent:** Legislator Barr

5. [2025-153](#) **CBA-T0046-Farebox Equipment**

A Capital Budget Amendment to amend the County's current-year Capital Budget to increase the County share for Capital Project T0046 - Farebox Equipment by TWELVE MILLION, SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND (\$12,750,000) DOLLARS TO SIXTEEN MILLION, TWO HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND (\$16,250,000) DOLLARS.

***COMMITTEE REFERRAL: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS, PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY & CYBERSECURITY***

Joint with PWT and ITC.

Guest: Department of Public Works & Transportation

Director of Surface Transportation Michael Swee

On motion of Legislator Pierce, seconded by Legislator Woodson-Samuels, 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

**Absent:** Legislator Barr

6. [2025-154](#) **BOND ACT(Amended)-T0046-Farebox Equipment**

A BOND ACT (Amended) amending Bond Act No. 220-2021 to remove a THREE MILLION, FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$3,500,000) DOLLAR authorization allocable to T0046 (Farebox Equipment) and decrease the estimated maximum amount of bonds authorized to TEN MILLION, FOUR HUNDRED TWENTY-SIX THOUSAND (\$10,426,000) DOLLARS.

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Joint with PWT and ITC.

Guest: Department of Public Works & Transportation  
Director of Surface Transportation Michael Swee

On motion of Legislator Pierce, seconded by Legislator Woodson-Samuels, 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

**Absent:** Legislator Barr

7. [2025-155](#) **BOND ACT-T0046-Farebox Equipment**

A BOND ACT authorizing the issuance of bonds in the amount of SIXTEEN MILLION, TWO HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND (\$16,250,000) DOLLARS to finance the cost of acquisition of a contactless reader fare collection system, as well as a separate box that will accept cash fares, including the installation of the necessary hardware and software on the buses and in the bus garages and associated work. This SIXTEEN MILLION, TWO HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND (\$16,250,000) DOLLAR proposed Bond Act represents a TWELVE MILLION, SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND (\$12,750,000) DOLLAR increase to the amount previously authorized for T0046 - Farebox Equipment and includes the THREE MILLION, FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$3,500,000) previously authorized for T0046 - Farebox Equipment by Bond Act 220-2021.

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On motion of Legislator Pierce, seconded by Legislator Woodson-Samuels, 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

**Absent:** Legislator Barr

## **II. OTHER BUSINESS**

## **III. RECEIVE & FILE**

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Legislator Woodson-Samuels, seconded by Legislator Tubiolo, the Committee adjourned at 11:20 AM. by the following vote:

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

**Absent:** Legislator Barr