

# Budget & Appropriations

## BOL Meeting Minutes - Final



Committee Chair: Jewel Williams Johnson

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**Monday, October 2, 2023**

**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.

Legislator Damon Maher will be participating remotely from the Surfjack Hotel Lobby Honolulu, Hawaii

*With a quorum present, Chair Williams Johnson called the meeting to order at 10:13 AM.*

*Others in Attendance: BOL: James Silverberg, Jill Axelrod, Shatika Parker*

**Present:** Legislator Williams Johnson, Committee Chair Imamura, Legislator Barr, Legislator Brandon, Legislator Gashi, Legislator Parker and Legislator Pierce

**Excused:** Legislator Tubiolo

**Absent:** Legislator Maher and Committee Vice-Chair Woodson-Samuels

**Remote:** Legislator Smith

### MINUTES APPROVAL

#### I. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

1. **[ACT-2023-202](#) CBA-BPL40-2257-Stormwater Mngmt.-Various Co. Fac. II**

AN ACT amending the 2023 County Capital Budget Appropriations for Capital Project BPL40 Stormwater Management - Various County Facilities II.

***SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS AND PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION***

Joint with PWT.

Guest: Department of Planning

Landscape Architect Suzette Lopane

*Ms. Lopane and Mr. Kvinge discussed the item. Ms. Lopane said this will increase the County's share for the cost of the design and installation/construction of a living shoreline/artificial reef within the Long Island Sound shoreline at the County's Edith Read Wildlife Sanctuary and Playland Park in Rye. She said that additional funds are necessary due to significant cost increases associated with the project due to increases in costs of materials and labor, as well as methods of construction and project modifications required by state and federal permitting agencies.*

*Legislator Pierce noted that this project is not only important environmentally, but is critical to prevent erosion of the Playland parking lot. Ms. Lopane said they did a wave study of the area, and tried to build smaller berms in the area, but they have succumbed to the waves. This will be a much larger berm, and will be more effective.*

On motion of Legislator Parker, seconded by Legislator Barr, the above item was signed by committee and referred to Board of Legislators. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** Legislator Williams Johnson, Committee Chair Imamura, Legislator Barr, Legislator Brandon, Legislator Gashi, Legislator Parker, Legislator Pierce and Legislator Smith

**Excused:** Legislator Tubiolo

**Absent:** Legislator Maher and Committee Vice-Chair Woodson-Samuels

2. [ACT-2023-203](#) **BOND ACT(Amended)-BPL40-2257-Stormwater Mngmt.-Various Co. Fac. II**

A BOND ACT (Amended) authorizing the issuance of an additional TWO MILLION (\$2,000,000) DOLLARS in bonds of Westchester County to finance Capital Project BPL 40 - Stormwater Management - Various Facilities.

***SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS AND PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION***

Joint with PWT.

Guest: Department of Planning

Landscape Architect Suzette Lopane

*Please refer to item #1.*

On motion of Legislator Parker, seconded by Legislator Barr, the above item was signed by committee and referred to Board of Legislators. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** Legislator Williams Johnson, Committee Chair Imamura, Legislator Barr, Legislator Brandon, Legislator Gashi, Legislator Parker, Legislator Pierce and Legislator Smith

**Excused:** Legislator Tubiolo

**Absent:** Legislator Maher and Committee Vice-Chair Woodson-Samuels

3. [ACT-2023-204](#) **IMA-Stormwater Sewer Study-Town of Mamaroneck**

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into an intermunicipal agreement with

the Town of Mamaroneck in connection with a study of the Town's Stormwater sewer network.  
**SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS AND PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION**

Joint with PWT.

Guest: Department of Planning

Commissioner Blanca Lopez

*Commissioner Lopez said this will authorize the County to enter into an IMA with the Town of Mamaroneck for the Town to conduct a study of its Stormwater sewer network. The study will provide recommendations to create alternatives to reduce the frequency of flooding in known flood prone areas in the Town. In consideration for performing the study, the County will pay the Town \$150,000 per year, with a total amount not-to-exceed \$300,000.*

On motion of Legislator Parker, seconded by Legislator Barr, the above item was signed by committee and referred to Board of Legislators. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** Legislator Williams Johnson, Committee Chair Imamura, Legislator Barr, Legislator Brandon, Legislator Gashi, Legislator Parker, Legislator Pierce and Legislator Smith

**Excused:** Legislator Tubiolo

**Absent:** Legislator Maher and Committee Vice-Chair Woodson-Samuels

4. [ACT-2023-196](#) **BOND ACT-BPL26-2235-Flood Mitigation**

A BOND ACT authorizing the issuance of ONE HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND (\$150,000) DOLLARS in bonds of Westchester County to finance Capital Project BPL26 - Flood Mitigation.

**SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS, PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION AND ENVIRONMENT, ENERGY & CLIMATE**

Joint with PWT and EEC.

Guest: Department of Planning

Assistant Commissioner Dave Kvinge

*Commissioner Lopez said this Bond Act will authorize the County to issue up to \$150,000 in bonds to fund up to 50% of the costs associated with a study focused on developing solutions to flooding in the area of Peach Lake in the Town of North Salem. The study will take approximately eight months to complete. In accordance with the IMA, the County and the Town will each provide up to 50% of the total cost of the project, which is \$239,800. The County will pay the Town an amount not to exceed \$ 119,900.*

On motion of Legislator Pierce, seconded by Legislator Gashi, the above item was signed by committee and referred to Board of Legislators. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** Legislator Williams Johnson, Committee Chair Imamura, Legislator Barr, Legislator Brandon, Legislator Gashi, Legislator Parker, Legislator Pierce and Legislator Smith

**Excused:** Legislator Tubiolo

**Absent:** Legislator Maher and Committee Vice-Chair Woodson-Samuels

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**5. [ACT-2023-197](#) IMA-Flood Mitigation-BPL26-2235-North Salem**

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into an intermunicipal agreement with the Town of North Salem in connection with a flood mitigation project - Capital Project BPL26 - Unique ID# 2235.

**SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS, PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION AND ENVIRONMENT, ENERGY & CLIMATE**

Joint with PWT and EEC.

Guest: Department of Planning

Assistant Commissioner Dave Kvinge

*Please refer to item #4.*

On motion of Legislator Pierce, seconded by Legislator Gashi, the above item was signed by committee and referred to Board of Legislators. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** Legislator Williams Johnson, Committee Chair Imamura, Legislator Barr, Legislator Brandon, Legislator Gashi, Legislator Parker, Legislator Pierce and Legislator Smith

**Excused:** Legislator Tubiolo

**Absent:** Legislator Maher and Committee Vice-Chair Woodson-Samuels

**6. [RES-2023-119](#) ENV RES-BPL26-2236-Flood Mitigation**

AN ENVIRONMENTAL RESOLUTION determining that there will be no significant adverse impact on the environment in connection with Capital Project BPL26 - Flood Mitigation.

**SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS, PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION, AND ENVIRONMENT, ENERGY & CLIMATE**

Joint with PWT and EEC.

Guest: Department of Planning

Assistant Commissioner Dave Kvinge

*Assistant Commissioner Kvinge discussed the item. He said that the Amended Bond Act, in the total amount of \$3,870,000, would fund up to 50% of the costs of a project to alleviate flooding in the area of Avon Circle and Westchester Avenue in the Village of Rye Brook. The IMA provides that the County and the Village of Rye Brook will each provide up to 50% of the total cost of the project, which is estimated to be \$7,161,258. The County will pay the Village an amount not to exceed \$3,580,629.*

On motion of Legislator Barr, 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, Committee Chair Imamura, Legislator Barr, Legislator Brandon, Legislator Gashi, Legislator Parker, Legislator Pierce and Legislator Smith

**Excused:** Legislator Tubiolo

**Absent:** Legislator Maher and Committee Vice-Chair Woodson-Samuels

**7. [ACT-2023-198](#) BOND ACT(Amended)-BPL26-2236-Flood Mitigation**

A BOND ACT (Amended) authorizing the issuance of additional bonds in the amount of THREE MILLION, EIGHT HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$3,800,000) DOLLARS in bonds of Westchester County to finance Capital Project BPL26 - Flood Mitigation.

**SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS, PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION, AND ENVIRONMENT, ENERGY & CLIMATE**

Joint with PWT and EEC.

Guest: Department of Planning

Assistant Commissioner Dave Kvinge

*Please refer to item #6.*

On motion of Legislator Barr, 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, Committee Chair Imamura, Legislator Barr, Legislator Brandon, Legislator Gashi, Legislator Parker, Legislator Pierce and Legislator Smith

**Excused:** Legislator Tubiolo

**Absent:** Legislator Maher and Committee Vice-Chair Woodson-Samuels

8. [ACT-2023-199](#) **IMA-BPL26-2236-Flood Mitigation-Rye Brook**

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into an intermunicipal agreement with the Village of Rye Brook in connection with a flood mitigation project - Capital Project BPL26, Unique ID# 2236.

**SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS, PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION, AND ENVIRONMENT, ENERGY & CLIMATE**

Joint with PWT and EEC.

Guest: Department of Planning

Assistant Commissioner Dave Kvinge

*Please refer to item #6.*

On motion of Legislator Barr, 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, Committee Chair Imamura, Legislator Barr, Legislator Brandon, Legislator Gashi, Legislator Parker, Legislator Pierce and Legislator Smith

**Excused:** Legislator Tubiolo

**Absent:** Legislator Maher and Committee Vice-Chair Woodson-Samuels

9. [ACT-2023-206](#) **BOND ACT-BPL26-2324-Flood Mitigation**

A BOND ACT authorizing the issuance of ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-ONE THOUSAND, TWO HUNDRED FIFTY (\$121,250) DOLLARS in bonds of Westchester County to finance Capital Project BPL26 - Flood Mitigation.

**SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS, PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION AND ENVIRONMENT, ENERGY & CLIMATE**

Joint with PWT and EEC.

Guest: Department of Planning

Principal Environmental Planner Susan Darling

*Ms. Darling discussed the item. She said that the Bond Act, in the amount of \$121,250, would fund up to 50% of the costs associated with a watershed study and flood area analysis in the vicinity of Harrison Avenue in the City of Yonkers. In accordance with the IMA, the County and the City will each provide up to 50% of the total cost of the project, which is \$197,500. The County will pay the City an amount not to exceed \$98,750.*

On motion of Legislator Brandon, seconded by Legislator Parker, the above item was signed by committee and referred to Board of Legislators. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** Legislator Williams Johnson, Committee Chair Imamura, Legislator Barr, Legislator Brandon, Legislator Gashi, Legislator Parker, Legislator Pierce and Legislator Smith

**Excused:** Legislator Tubiolo

**Absent:** Legislator Maher and Committee Vice-Chair Woodson-Samuels

10. [ACT-2023-207](#) **IMA-BPL26-2324-Flood Mitigation-Yonkers**

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into an intermunicipal agreement with the City of Yonkers in connection with a flood mitigation project - Capital Project BPL26 - Unique ID #2324.

***SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS, PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION AND ENVIRONMENT, ENERGY & CLIMATE***

Joint with PWT and EEC.

Guest: Department of Planning

Principal Environmental Planner Susan Darling

*Please refer to item #9.*

On motion of Legislator Brandon, seconded by Legislator Parker, the above item was signed by committee and referred to Board of Legislators. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** Legislator Williams Johnson, Committee Chair Imamura, Legislator Barr, Legislator Brandon, Legislator Gashi, Legislator Parker, Legislator Pierce and Legislator Smith

**Excused:** Legislator Tubiolo

**Absent:** Legislator Maher and Committee Vice-Chair Woodson-Samuels

11. [ACT-2023-208](#) **BOND ACT-BPL26-2326-Flood Mitigation**

A BOND ACT authorizing the issuance of ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-EIGHT THOUSAND, SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY (\$128,750) DOLLARS in bonds of Westchester County to finance Capital Project BPL26 - Flood Mitigation.

***SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS, PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION AND ENVIRONMENT, ENERGY & CLIMATE***



Joint with PWT and EEC.

Guest: Department of Planning

Principal Environmental Planner Susan Darling

*Ms. Darling said this Bond Act, in the amount of \$128,750, would fund up to 50% of the costs associated with a watershed study and flood area analysis in the vicinity of Clunie Avenue in the City of Yonkers. In accordance with the IMA, the County and the City will each provide up to 50% of the total cost of the project, which is \$212,500. The County will pay to the City an amount not to exceed \$106,250.*

On motion of Legislator Brandon, seconded by Legislator Gashi, the above item was signed by committee and referred to Board of Legislators. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** Legislator Williams Johnson, Committee Chair Imamura, Legislator Barr, Legislator Brandon, Legislator Gashi, Legislator Parker, Legislator Pierce and Legislator Smith

**Excused:** Legislator Tubiolo

**Absent:** Legislator Maher and Committee Vice-Chair Woodson-Samuels

## 12. [ACT-2023-209](#) IMA-BPL26-2326-Flood Mitigation-Yonkers

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into an intermunicipal agreement with the City of Yonkers in connection with a flood mitigation project - Capital Project BPL26 - Unique ID #2326.

**SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS, PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION AND ENVIRONMENT, ENERGY & CLIMATE**

Joint with PWT and EEC.

Guest: Department of Planning

Principal Environmental Planner Susan Darling

*Please refer to item #11.*

On motion of Legislator Brandon, seconded by Legislator Gashi, the above item was signed by committee and referred to Board of Legislators. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** Legislator Williams Johnson, Committee Chair Imamura, Legislator Barr, Legislator Brandon, Legislator Gashi, Legislator Parker, Legislator Pierce and Legislator Smith

**Excused:** Legislator Tubiolo

**Absent:** Legislator Maher and Committee Vice-Chair Woodson-Samuels

## II. OTHER BUSINESS

## III. RECEIVE & FILE

## ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Committee Chair Imamura, seconded by Legislator Brandon, the Committee adjourned at 11:45 AM. by the following vote:

**Aye:** Legislator Williams Johnson, Committee Chair Imamura, Legislator Barr, Legislator Brandon, Legislator Gashi, Legislator Parker, Legislator Pierce and Legislator Smith

**Excused:** Legislator Tubiolo

**Absent:** Legislator Maher and Committee Vice-Chair Woodson-Samuels