

Environment & Health

BOL Meeting Minutes - Final



Committee Chair: Ruth Walter

800 Michaelan Office Bldg.
148 Martine Avenue, 8th Floor
White Plains, NY 10601
www.westchesterlegislators.com

Monday, January 25, 2021

10:00 AM

Committee Room

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting joint with the Committees on Budget & Appropriation and Public Work & Transportation

With a quorum present, Chair Walter called the meeting to order at 10:22 AM.

Pursuant to Governor Andrew Cuomo's Executive Order No. 202.1, "Continuing Temporary Suspension and Modification of Laws Relating to the Disaster Emergency," which temporarily suspends portions of the New York State Open Meetings Law.

A section of the order, "Suspension of law allowing the attendance of meetings telephonically or other similar services," provides for the suspension of "Article 7 of the Public Officers Law, to the extent necessary to permit any public body to meet and take such actions authorized by the law without permitting in public in-person access to meetings and authorizing 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."

Others in attendance: Commissioner Kopicki and Marion Pompa WCDEF

BOL: Y.Valencia (Remote), A. Restiano, J. Silverberg

Present: Legislator Borgia, Legislator Boykin and Committee Vice-Chair Covill

Remote: Committee Chair Walter, Legislator Barr, Legislator Parker and Legislator Shimsky

MINUTES APPROVAL

January 11, 2021

On motion of Legislator Covill, seconded by Legislator Borgia, the minutes were approved. The motion carried unanimously.

I. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

[RES-2021-1](#) PH-Sewer District Modification-Add 1 Parcel-Briarcliff Manor

A RESOLUTION to set a Public Hearing on "AN ACT to Modify the Saw Mill Sanitary Sewer District by the Addition of One (1) parcel of Property Located in the Village of Briarcliff Manor." [Public Hearing set for February 8, 2021 at 7:30 p.m.]. (formerly MT # 13079)

Commissioner Kopicki and Marian Pompa from the Department of

Environmental Facilities came before the committee to discuss items # 2021- 12/13- Sewer Modifications – Add 1 Parcel – Briarcliff Manor; items # 2021-15/17 – Add 4 Parcels- Briarcliff Manor. This Village of Briarcliff Manor the return of 1 property (43 Chappaqua Road) to the

Saw Mill Sewer District and 4 properties (64 Sleepy Hollow Road; 131 Cedar Drive East; 190 Long Hill Road; and 22 Cedar Drive) to the Ossining Sewer District. Mr. Pompa discussed the items all together. He explained that all properties are being returned to the sewer districts. The return of these properties represent no impact on the tax structure or impact on the flow to either district. Sewers have been built to accommodate these properties. At the time of removal, they were not able to accommodate. Chair Walter of the Environment and Health Committee asked when they are removed from the district is it because they are on septic or just not paying? Mr. Pompa explained it is because they are on septic and there was no public sewer line for them to connect to. She asked why did they asked to be removed. Mr. Pompa explained that at the time, the Village had no intention of adding these properties to the public sewer lines, he went on to explain that there was a huge purge of properties from the district. Chair Borgia of the Budgets & Appropriation committee added that there's a philosophy, that everyone should pay taxes because it is a general benefit of society, and people have to ask to be removed. But there was this big purge that happened in Ossining and in Cortlandt. As communities changed, and there are more opportunities, it is better for the homeowner to be on sewer. Legislator Covill asked if they have to notify the District about how much flow they will be adding, Mr. Pompa and Mr. Kopicki both explained yes, they do need to notify us reading the flow.

On motion of Legislator Boykin, seconded by Legislator Borgia, the above item was signed by committee to the Board of Legislators committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Committee Chair Walter, Legislator Barr, Legislator Borgia, Legislator Boykin, Committee Vice-Chair Covill, Legislator Parker and Legislator Shimsky

[ACT-2021-15](#) Sewer District Modification-Add 1 Parcel-Briarcliff Manor

AN ACT to Modify the Saw Mill Sanitary Sewer District by the Addition of One (1) parcel of Property Located in the Village of Briarcliff Manor. (formerly MT # 13080)

Submitted by COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS, PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION AND ENVIRONMENT & HEALTH

See item 2021-12 for discussion.

On motion of Legislator Boykin, seconded by Legislator Borgia, the above item was signed by committee to the Board of Legislators committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Committee Chair Walter, Legislator Barr, Legislator Borgia, Legislator Boykin, Committee Vice-Chair Covill, Legislator Parker and Legislator Shimsky

[RES-2021-2](#) PH-Sewer District Modification-Add 4 Parcels-Briarcliff Manor

A RESOLUTION to set a Public Hearing on "AN ACT to Modify the Ossining Sanitary Sewer District by the Addition of Four (4) parcels of Property Located in the Village of Briarcliff Manor." [Public Hearing set for February 8, 2021 at 7:30 p.m.]. (formerly MT # 13081)

See item 2021-12 for discussion.

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

Aye: Committee Chair Walter, Legislator Barr, Legislator Borgia, Legislator Boykin, Committee Vice-Chair Covill, Legislator Parker and Legislator Shimsky

[ACT-2021-16](#) Sewer District Modification-Add 4 Parcels-Briarcliff Manor

AN ACT to Modify the Ossining Sanitary Sewer District by the Addition of Four (4) parcels of Property Located in the Village of Briarcliff Manor.(formerly MT # 13082)

Submitted by COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS, PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION AND ENVIRONMENT & HEALTH

Guests:

Commissioner Kopicki

Marian Pompa

WCDEF

See item 2021-12 for discussion.

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

Aye: Committee Chair Walter, Legislator Barr, Legislator Borgia, Legislator Boykin, Committee Vice-Chair Covill, Legislator Parker and Legislator Shimsky

II. OTHER BUSINESS

III. RECEIVE & FILE

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Legislator Walter, seconded by Legislator Barr, the Committee adjourned at 11:35 AM.