



Public Works & Transportation

BOL Meeting Minutes - Published Draft

Committee Chair: Erika Pierce

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Monday, June 5, 2023

10:00 AM

Committee Room

CALL TO ORDER

Joint with Budget & Appropriations committee

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Legislator Colin Smith will be participating remotely from 1132 Main Street, Ste. 1, Peekskill, N.Y. 10566.

With a quorum present, Chair Pierce called the meeting to order at 10:31 a.m.

Others in Attendance: BOL: Legislators: Damon Maher, David Imamura, and Jewel Williams Johnson; Committee Coordinators Jill Axelrod and James Silverberg; DEF (Remote): Vincent Kopicki, Lou Vetrone, Nat Federici, CJ Gelardo, and Joe Brown

Present: Committee Chair Pierce, Legislator Parker, Legislator Tubiolo, Committee Vice-Chair Woodson-Samuels and Legislator Gashi

Remote: Legislator Barr and Legislator Smith

MINUTES APPROVAL

Monday, May 15, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.

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

Aye: Committee Chair Pierce, Legislator Barr, Legislator Parker, Legislator Tubiolo and Legislator Gashi

Away: Legislator Smith and Committee Vice-Chair Woodson-Samuels

I. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

1. [ACT-2023-98](#) CBA-SPC38-Port Chester WRRF Primary Settling Tank Rehab

Joint with Budget & Appropriations committee

Guests: Dept. of Environmental Facilities: Commissioner Vincent Kopicki; Deputy Commissioner Louis Vetrone; Deputy Commissioner Nat Federici; Associate Engineer (Construction) Christopher Gelardo; Program Coordinator (Capital Program) Joe Brown

Commissioner Kopicki, Deputy Commissioner Vetrone, Deputy Commissioner Federici, Mr. Gelardo and Mr. Brown discussed the item.

Vice-Chair Barr said there has been a lot of development and construction in Port Chester for the past few years, and having thousands more apartments online puts a much greater strain on the infrastructure, of which this is a key part. Commissioner Kopicki agreed that more flow means more running time for pumps, more frequent maintenance, and quicker burnout/need for replacement of pumps. He said there is definitely a correlation between increased population/amount of flow and the need to upgrade to plant to make sure it can treat the additional flow.

Vice Chair Barr asked if there is any coordination between DEF and Port Chester's own departments. Commissioner Kopicki said DEF works with the County Planning Department. Planning will send development plans for major projects, and ask if DEF can handle the flow, i.e., what are the current limits and what is max capacity. He said that If it is at 85% of max capacity, they will have to look at expansion.

Vice-Chair Barr asked if they look ahead for future projects to know if we will need to expand when everything is completed. Commissioner Kopicki said that when a developer does a large project they will do some lining or additional repairs to reduce the I and I (infiltration and inflow). The added flow from an increased number of residents, but this will be offset by a decrease in other flow. Vice-Chair Barr asked if this is required of a municipality. Deputy Commissioner Federici said they flag it through the Planning Department, but it's up to the municipalities to enforce it.

Chair Pierce said she would like to have an oversight meeting on I and I to find out how we track those numbers and how we work with municipalities to make sure that reductions are being made.

On motion of Legislator Tubiolo, 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: Committee Chair Pierce, Legislator Barr, Legislator Parker, Legislator Smith, Legislator Tubiolo, Committee Vice-Chair Woodson-Samuels and Legislator Gashi

2. [ACT-2023-99](#) **BOND ACT(Amended)-SPC38-Port Chester WRRF Primary Settling Tank Rehab**

Joint with Budget & Appropriations committee

Guests: Dept. of Environmental Facilities: Commissioner Vincent Kopicki; Deputy Commissioner Louis Vetrone; Deputy Commissioner Nat Federici; Associate Engineer (Construction) Christopher Gelardo; Program Coordinator (Capital Program) Joe Brown
See discussion of Item #1 above.

On motion of Legislator Tubiolo, 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: Committee Chair Pierce, Legislator Barr, Legislator Parker, Legislator Smith, Legislator Tubiolo, Committee Vice-Chair Woodson-Samuels and Legislator Gashi

3. [ACT-2023-100](#) **BOND ACT-SOS08-Ossining WRRF Structural Rehabilitation**

Joint with Budget & Appropriations committee

Guests: Dept. of Environmental Facilities: Commissioner Vincent Kopicki; Deputy Commissioner Louis Vetrone; Deputy Commissioner Nat Federici; Associate Engineer (Construction) Christopher Gelardo; Program Coordinator (Capital Program) Joe Brown
Commissioner Kopicki, Deputy Commissioner Vetrone, Deputy Commissioner Federici, Mr. Gelardo, and Mr. Brown discussed the item.

On motion of Legislator Tubiolo, seconded by Legislator Parker, the above item was signed by committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

4. [ACT-2023-101](#) **BOND ACT-SBB87-Sewer System Rehab.-Blind Brook Sanitary Sewer System**

Joint with Budget & Appropriations committee

Guests: Dept. of Environmental Facilities: Commissioner Vincent Kopicki; Deputy Commissioner Louis Vetrone; Deputy Commissioner Nat Federici; Associate Engineer (Construction) Christopher Gelardo; Program Coordinator (Capital Program) Joe Brown
Commissioner Kopicki, Deputy Commissioner Vetrone, Deputy Commissioner Federici, Mr. Gelardo, and Mr. Brown discussed the item.

On motion of Legislator Tubiolo, 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: Committee Chair Pierce, Legislator Barr, Legislator Parker, Legislator Smith, Legislator Tubiolo, Committee Vice-Chair Woodson-Samuels and Legislator Gashi

5. [ACT-2023-102](#) **BOND ACT-SY046-Yonkers Joint Sewer Districts Repair & Rehabilitation**

Joint with Budget & Appropriations committee

Guests: Dept. of Environmental Facilities: Commissioner Vincent Kopicki; Deputy Commissioner Louis Vetrone; Deputy Commissioner Nat Federici; Associate Engineer (Construction) Christopher Gelardo; Program Coordinator (Capital Program) Joe Brown
Commissioner Kopicki, Deputy Commissioner Vetrone, Deputy Commissioner Federici, Mr. Gelardo, and Mr. Brown discussed the item.

On motion of Legislator Tubiolo, seconded by Committee Vice-Chair Woodson-Samuels, the above item was signed by committee and referred to Board of Legislators. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

6. [ACT-2023-104](#) **BOND ACT-RD016-Croton Landfill Rehab. & Gas to Energy Program**

Joint with Budget & Appropriations committee

Guests: Dept. of Environmental Facilities: Commissioner Vincent Kopicki; Deputy Commissioner Louis Vetrone; Deputy Commissioner Nat Federici; Associate Engineer (Construction) Christopher Gelardo; Program Coordinator (Capital Program) Joe Brown
Commissioner Kopicki, Deputy Commissioner Vetrone, Deputy Commissioner Federici, Mr. Gelardo, and Mr. Brown discussed the item.

On motion of Legislator Tubiolo, 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: Committee Chair Pierce, Legislator Barr, Legislator Parker, Legislator Tubiolo and Legislator Gashi

Away: Legislator Smith and Committee Vice-Chair Woodson-Samuels

II. OTHER BUSINESS

III. RECEIVE & FILE

1. [2023-206](#) CLERK OF THE BOARD: Requesting Removal from the Peekskill Sanitary Sewer District - 41 Edgewood Rd., Cortlandt Manor

On motion of Legislator Tubiolo, seconded by Legislator Parker, the above item was received, filed, and approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Legislator Tubiolo, seconded by Legislator Parker, the Committee adjourned at 11:46 a.m. by the following vote:

Aye: Committee Chair Pierce, Legislator Barr, Legislator Parker, Legislator Tubiolo and Legislator Gashi

Away: Legislator Smith and Committee Vice-Chair Woodson-Samuels