

Budget & Appropriations

BOL Meeting Minutes - Published Draft



Committee Chair: Tyrae Woodson-Samuels

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Tuesday, March 10, 2026

1:00 PM

Committee Room

CALL TO ORDER

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With a quorum present, Chair Woodson-Samuels called the meeting to order at 1:08PM.

Others in Attendance: GUESTS: Dianne Vanadia (remote), Robert Abbamont (remote), John Nonna, Stephannie Basilan, Nancy Tunis, Peter Tartaglia, Robert Lopane, Hernane De Almeida, Vincent Kopicki, Melissa Rotini, Blanca Lopez and Carla Chaves; BOL: Legislator Colin Smith, Legislator Nancy Barr, Legislator James Nolan, Ethan Samuel, Jill Axelrod, Althema Goodson, Sebastian Loreti and Dayana Gómez-Holguín

Present: Legislator Woodson-Samuels, Legislator Nambiar, Legislator Pierce, Legislator Williams and Legislator Williams Johnson

Absent: Legislator Holstein and Legislator Tubiolo

MINUTES APPROVAL

I. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

1. [2026-106](#) **ACT - Lawsuit Settlement of Pellis v. Russo**

AN ACT authorizing the settlement of Craig Pellis v. Vincent R. Russo in the amount of TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$200,000) DOLLARS inclusive of attorney's fees.

COMMITTEE REFERRAL: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS AND LITIGATION

Joint with LIT

Guest: Law Dept.: County Attorney John Nonna

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

Aye: Legislator Woodson-Samuels, Legislator Nambiar, Legislator Pierce, Legislator Williams and Legislator Williams Johnson

Absent: Legislator Holstein and Legislator Tubiolo

2. [2026-4](#) **ACT-WCHCC-FACT Program-Forensic Medical Care**

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester, acting by and through its Office for Women, to enter into an agreement with the Westchester County Health Care Corporation ("WCHCC") pursuant to which WCHCC shall operate its Forensic Acute Care Team (FACT) Program and provide forensic medical care for children/adolescents and adults, for the term commencing retroactively on January 1, 2025 and continuing through December 31, 2027, in an amount not to exceed THREE HUNDRED TWENTY-TWO THOUSAND, FIVE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE (\$322,575) DOLLARS.

COMMITTEE REFERRAL: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS, SOCIAL SERVICES, DISABILITIES & HUMAN RIGHTS AND HEALTH

Joint with SSD&HR and H

Guests: Office for Women

Program Coordinator Stephanie Basilan, Program Administrator Nancy Tunis

On motion of Legislator Woodson-Samuels, 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 Woodson-Samuels, Legislator Nambiar, Legislator Pierce, Legislator Williams and Legislator Williams Johnson

Absent: Legislator Holstein and Legislator Tubiolo

3. [2026-82](#) **BOND ACT-3061-Haulage Vehicle and Solid Waste Equipment Phase VI**

A BOND ACT authorizing the issuance of TWO MILLION, FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$2,500,000) DOLLARS in bonds of Westchester County to finance Capital Project RD021 - Haulage Vehicle and Solid Waste Equipment Phase VI.

COMMITTEE REFERRAL: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS AND INFRASTRUCTURE & HOUSING

Joint with I&H

Guest: Department of Environmental Facilities

Commissioner Vincent Kopicki, Assistant Commissioner Melissa Rotini

On motion of Legislator Nambiar, 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 Woodson-Samuels, Legislator Nambiar, Legislator Pierce, Legislator Williams and Legislator Williams Johnson

Absent: Legislator Holstein and Legislator Tubiolo

4. [2026-107](#) **BOND ACT-SW034-Heavy Equipment & Vehicle Replacement**

A BOND ACT authorizing the issuance of EIGHT HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$800,000) DOLLARS in bonds of Westchester County to finance Capital Project SW034 - Heavy Equipment and Vehicle Replacement.

COMMITTEE REFERRAL: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS AND

INFRASTRUCTURE & HOUSING

Joint with I&H

Guest: Department of Environmental Facilities

Commissioner Vincent Kopicki, Assistant Commissioner Melissa Rotini,

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

Aye: Legislator Woodson-Samuels, Legislator Nambiar, Legislator Pierce, Legislator Williams and Legislator Williams Johnson

Absent: Legislator Holstein and Legislator Tubiolo

5. [2026-87](#) **BOND ACT(Amended)-BLA1A-Parkland and Historical Preservation Program**

A BOND ACT (Amended) authorizing the County of Westchester to amend Bond Act No. 171-2025, which authorized the issuance of up to ONE MILLION, TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND (\$1,025,000) DOLLARS in bonds in finance a component of Capital Project BLA1A - Parkland and Historical Preservation Program in order to limit the scope of work for the project to waterfront improvements only.

COMMITTEE REFERRAL: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS, INFRASTRUCTURE & HOUSING AND PARKS & ENVIRONMENT

Joint with I&H and P&E

Guests: Planning Department

Commissioner Blanca Lopez

Law Department

Senior Assistant County Attorney Carla Chaves

On motion of Legislator Nambiar, 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 Woodson-Samuels, Legislator Nambiar, Legislator Pierce, Legislator Williams and Legislator Williams Johnson

Absent: Legislator Holstein and Legislator Tubiolo

6. [2026-88](#) **ACT-Amend IMA-Port Chester-BLA1A**

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to amend Act No. 172-2025 which authorized the County of Westchester to enter into an intermunicipal agreement with the Village of Port Chester in connection with making certain waterfront and downtown revitalization improvements in the Village of Port Chester, in order to limit the scope of the project to waterfront revitalization improvements only.

COMMITTEE REFERRAL: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS, INFRASTRUCTURE & HOUSING AND PARKS & ENVIRONMENT

Joint with I&H and P&E
Guests: Planning Department
Commissioner Blanca Lopez

Law Department
Senior Assistant County Attorney Carla Chaves

On motion of Legislator Nambiar, 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 Woodson-Samuels, Legislator Nambiar, Legislator Pierce,
Legislator Williams and Legislator Williams Johnson

Absent: Legislator Holstein and Legislator Tubiolo

7. [2026-83](#) **BOND ACT-RGP16-3125-General Infrastructure-Roofing Systems '24-'28**

A BOND ACT authorizing the issuance of FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$500,000) DOLLARS in bonds of Westchester County to finance Capital Project RGP16 - General Infrastructure - Roofing Systems (2024-2028).

COMMITTEE REFERRAL: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS, INFRASTRUCTURE & HOUSING AND PARKS & ENVIRONMENT

Joint with I&H and P&E

Guests: Parks Dept.: First Deputy Commissioner Peter Tartaglia and Director of Park Planning Robert Lopane

On motion of Legislator Nambiar, 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 Woodson-Samuels, Legislator Nambiar, Legislator Pierce,
Legislator Williams and Legislator Williams Johnson

Absent: Legislator Holstein and Legislator Tubiolo

8. [2026-84](#) **BOND ACT-RGP21-General Infrastructure-Pool Facility-Play Equipment Systems**

A BOND ACT authorizing the issuance of FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$500,000) DOLLARS in bonds of Westchester County to finance Capital Project RGP21 - General Infrastructure - Pool Facility - Play Equipment Systems.

COMMITTEE REFERRAL: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS, INFRASTRUCTURE & HOUSING AND PARKS & ENVIRONMENT

Joint with I&H and P&E

Guests: Parks Dept.: First Deputy Commissioner Peter Tartaglia and Director of Park Planning Robert Lopane

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

Aye: Legislator Woodson-Samuels, Legislator Nambiar, Legislator Pierce,
Legislator Williams and Legislator Williams Johnson

Absent: Legislator Holstein and Legislator Tubiolo

9. [2026-85](#) **BOND ACT-RGP20-Gen'l Infrastructure-Equipment Acquisition '26-'30 and B035F-Equipment Acquisition Program '26-'30**

A BOND ACT authorizing the issuance of THREE MILLION, SEVEN HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$3,700,000) DOLLARS in bonds of Westchester County to finance two Capital Projects: RGP20 - General Infrastructure - Equipment Acquisition (2026-2030) and B035F - Equipment Acquisition Program (2026-2030).

COMMITTEE REFERRAL: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS, INFRASTRUCTURE & HOUSING AND PARKS & ENVIRONMENT

Joint with I&H and P&E

Guests: Parks Dept.: First Deputy Commissioner Peter Tartaglia and Director of Park Planning Robert Lopane; DPW: Robert Abbamont, Director of Operations for the Capital Planning Program

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

Aye: Legislator Woodson-Samuels, Legislator Nambiar, Legislator Pierce, Legislator Williams and Legislator Williams Johnson

Absent: Legislator Holstein and Legislator Tubiolo

II. OTHER BUSINESS

III. RECEIVE & FILE

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Legislator Nambiar seconded by Legislator Williams the Committee adjourned at 2:42pm..