



# Budget & Appropriations

## BOL Meeting Minutes - Final

Committee Chair: Vedat Gashi

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Monday, January 23, 2023

10:00 AM

Committee Room

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### CALL TO ORDER

Meeting jointly with the Committees on Health, Law & Major Contracts, and Public Works & Transportation

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Chairwoman Catherine Borgia will be participating remotely from Clear View School and Day Treatment Center, 480 Albany Post Road, Briarcliff, NY, 10510

*With a quorum present, Chair Gashi called the meeting to order at 10:18 AM.*

*Others in Attendance: GUESTS: County Attorney John Nonna, Senior Assistant County Attorney Loren Zeitler-LAW; Airport Manager Colonel April Gasparri, Assistant to the Commissioner Brian Hegt-DPWT; Assistant Commissioner David Kvinge-Planning; Dan Sarnoff and Gary Zuckerman; Director Patricia Tomassi-STOP-DWI; Commissioner Richard Wishnie, Deputy Commissioner Susan Spear-DES; Director of Administrative Services Bill Fallon, Warden Karl Vollmer-DOC; Commissioner Terrance Raynor, Captain Frank Donovan, Lieutenant Charles Geraci, Sergeant James Dress, and FHR Director Siva Gopalkrishna-DPS*

**Present:** Committee Chair Gashi, Legislator Barr, Legislator Maher, Legislator Parker, Legislator Pierce, Legislator Smith, Committee Vice-Chair Williams Johnson and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

**Absent:** Legislator Tubiolo

**Remote:** Legislator Borgia

### MINUTES APPROVAL

Tuesday, January 17, 2023 at 10:00 AM Minutes

On motion of Legislator Pierce, seconded by Committee Vice-Chair Williams Johnson, the minutes were approved. The motion carried unanimously.

### I. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

1. [ACT-2023-28](#) **ACT - Opioid Settlement (Teva and its distributor Anda)**

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to settle the claims against Teva and its distributor Anda in an adversary proceeding filed in the Supreme Court of the State of New York, titled the County of Westchester v. Purdue Pharma, et al.

**SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS, HEALTH AND LAW & MAJOR CONTRACTS**

Joint with HEALTH and LMC.

Guests:

County Attorney John Nonna

Senior Assistant County Attorney Loren Zeitler

*County Attorney John Nonna and Senior Assistant County Attorney Loren Zeitler discussed the settlement. Mr. Nonna suggested that the committee go into executive session to discuss attorney/client privileged communications related to the settlement.*

*With a motion by Legislator Parker seconded by Legislator Williams Johnson, the committee went into executive session at 10:28 AM. With a motion by Legislator Maher seconded by Legislator Barr, the committee came out of executive session at 10:48 AM.*

On motion of Committee Vice-Chair Williams Johnson, 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:** Committee Chair Gashi, Legislator Barr, Legislator Borgia, Legislator Maher, Legislator Parker, Legislator Pierce, Legislator Smith, Committee Vice-Chair Williams Johnson and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

**Absent:** Legislator Tubiolo

2. [ACT-2023-27](#) **BOND ACT-A0134, A0138, A0140-Various Capital Projects-Westchester County Airport**

A BOND ACT authorizing the issuance of FOUR MILLION, FIFTY THOUSAND (\$4,050,000) DOLLARS in bonds of Westchester County to finance the following three (3) capital projects at the Westchester County Airport: A0134-HVAC Upgrades, Terminal Bldg., A0138-Ramp Service Equipment and A0140-Electrical, Data and Security Systems Upgrades.

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

Joint with PWT.

Guests: Department of Public Works & Transportation

Commissioner Hugh Greechan

Airport Manager April Gasparri

Assistant to the Commissioner Brian Hegt

*Colonel Gasparri provided answers to the legislators' questions from the prior committee meeting two weeks ago, and discussed cost breakdowns for the projects.*

On motion of Legislator Maher, 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:** Committee Chair Gashi, Legislator Barr, Legislator Maher, Legislator Parker, Legislator Pierce, Legislator Smith, Committee Vice-Chair Williams Johnson and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

**Absent:** Legislator Tubiolo

**Away:** Legislator Borgia

3. [ACT-2023-23](#) **BOND ACT(Amended)-BPL26-2001-Flood Mitigation**

A BOND ACT (Amended) authorizing the issuance of additional bonds of Westchester County in the amount of ONE MILLION, FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$1,500,000) DOLLARS to finance a component of Capital Project BPL26 - Flood Mitigation.

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

Joint with PWT.

Guests: Department of Planning

Assistant Commissioner David Kvinge

*Assistant Commissioner Kvinge discussed the item. Town of Rye Supervisor Gary Zuckerman and Assistant Village Manager for the Village of Mamaroneck Dan Sarnoff also provided details about the project, including the history of the project and cost breakdowns for the work that was done.*

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:** Committee Chair Gashi, Legislator Barr, Legislator Maher, Legislator Parker, Legislator Pierce, Legislator Smith, Committee Vice-Chair Williams Johnson and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

**Absent:** Legislator Tubiolo

**Away:** Legislator Borgia

4. [ACT-2023-24](#) **IMA (Amend)-Flood Mitigation-Village of Mamaroneck**

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to amend the existing intermunicipal agreement with the Village of Mamaroneck in order to increase the County's contribution toward a flood mitigation project.

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

Joint with PWT.

Guests: Department of Planning

Assistant Commissioner David Kvinge

*Please refer to item #3.*

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:** Committee Chair Gashi, Legislator Barr, Legislator Maher, Legislator Parker, Legislator Pierce, Legislator Smith, Committee Vice-Chair Williams Johnson and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

**Absent:** Legislator Tubiolo

**Away:** Legislator Borgia

5. [ACT-2023-16](#) **IMA-Putnam Northern Westchester BOCES-Project BRIGHT**

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to amend an inter-municipal agreement with Putnam Northern Westchester BOCES (the "BOCES") pursuant to which BOCES agreed to coordinate a portion of the Bureau of Justice Assistance's STOP School Violence Prevention and Mental Health Training Program in order to extend the term of the IMA through September 30, 2023 and increase the not-to-exceed amount by \$40,000.

**SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS AND PUBLIC SAFETY**

Guest: STOP-DWI

Patricia Tomassi

*Director Pat Tomassi from STOP-DWI discussed the item. Ms. Tomassi discussed the Project BRIGHT program and what the funds would be used for. She said the funding will be used to let BOCES continue with training and expansion of the program. These funds will help them to get into more schools and in the schools where the program has already taken place, it would be used as reinforcement and new training for new staff since the schools have had a lot of turnover.*

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

**Aye:** Committee Chair Gashi, Legislator Barr, Legislator Maher, Legislator Parker, Legislator Pierce, Legislator Smith, Committee Vice-Chair Williams Johnson and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

**Absent:** Legislator Tubiolo

**Away:** Legislator Borgia

6. [ACT-2023-17](#) **ACT-Municipal Mutual Aid & Assistance Agrmnt.-Municipalities, etc.**

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into a multi-party Municipal Mutual Aid and Assistance Agreement with Suffolk County, Nassau County, the City of New York and New Jersey for the purpose of coordinating the sharing of Major Emergency Transportation Unit ("METU") program resources, personnel and equipment in the event of a local disaster or other emergency.

**SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS AND PUBLIC SAFETY**

Guests: Department of Emergency Services

Commissioner Richard Wishnie

Deputy Commissioner Susan Spear

Chief Michael Volk, Director of EMS & Communications Divisions

Chief Dennis Delborgo, Emergency Management

*Commissioner Richard Wishnie, Deputy Commissioner Susan Spear, and Budget Specialist III*

*Julia Criscitelli appeared before the Committee to discuss the item.*

On motion of Legislator Maher, 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:** Committee Chair Gashi, Legislator Barr, Legislator Maher, Legislator Parker, Legislator Pierce, Legislator Smith, Committee Vice-Chair Williams Johnson and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

**Absent:** Legislator Tubiolo

**Away:** Legislator Borgia

7. [ACT-2023-18](#) **IMA-Prisoner Transportation-New Rochelle**

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into an Intermunicipal Agreement with the City of New Rochelle in order to provide reimbursement for prisoner transportation to the Westchester County Jail.

**SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS AND PUBLIC SAFETY**

Guests: Department of Correction  
Director of Administrative Services Bill Fallon  
Warden Karl Vollmer

*Director of Administrative Services Bill Fallon and Warden Karl Vollmer appeared before the Committee to discuss the Prisoner Transportation IMA's for New Rochelle, Yonkers, Peekskill, Mount Vernon, and Greenburgh. Director Fallon explained that the IMA is a renewal of the contracts for prisoner transportation. Aside from the rates there are generally no difference.*

On motion of Legislator Maher, 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:** Committee Chair Gashi, Legislator Barr, Legislator Maher, Legislator Parker, Legislator Pierce, Legislator Smith, Committee Vice-Chair Williams Johnson and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

**Absent:** Legislator Tubiolo

**Away:** Legislator Borgia

8. [ACT-2023-19](#) **IMA-Prisoner Transportation-Yonkers**

AN ACT authorizing the County to enter into an Intermunicipal Agreement with the City of Yonkers in order to provide reimbursement for prisoner transportation to the Westchester County Jail.

**SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS AND PUBLIC SAFETY**

Guests: Department of Correction  
Director of Administrative Services Bill Fallon  
Warden Karl Vollmer  
*Please refer to item #7.*

On motion of Legislator Maher, seconded by Legislator Pierce, the above item was signed by

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committee and referred to Board of Legislators. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** Committee Chair Gashi, Legislator Barr, Legislator Maher, Legislator Parker, Legislator Pierce, Legislator Smith, Committee Vice-Chair Williams Johnson and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

**Absent:** Legislator Tubiolo

**Away:** Legislator Borgia

9. [ACT-2023-20](#) **IMA-Prisoner Transportation-Peekskill**

AN ACT authorizing the County to enter into an Intermunicipal Agreement with the City of Peekskill in order to provide reimbursement for prisoner transportation to the Westchester County Jail.

**SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS AND PUBLIC SAFETY**

Guests: Department of Correction  
Director of Administrative Services Bill Fallon  
Warden Karl Vollmer  
*Please refer to item #7.*

On motion of Legislator Maher, 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:** Committee Chair Gashi, Legislator Barr, Legislator Maher, Legislator Parker, Legislator Pierce, Legislator Smith, Committee Vice-Chair Williams Johnson and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

**Absent:** Legislator Tubiolo

**Away:** Legislator Borgia

10. [ACT-2023-21](#) **IMA-Prisoner Transportation-Mount Vernon**

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into an Intermunicipal Agreement with the City of Mount Vernon in order to provide reimbursement for prisoner transportation to the Westchester County Jail.

**SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS AND PUBLIC SAFETY**

Guests: Department of Correction  
Director of Administrative Services Bill Fallon  
Warden Karl Vollmer  
*Please refer to item #7.*

On motion of Legislator Maher, 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:** Committee Chair Gashi, Legislator Barr, Legislator Maher, Legislator Parker, Legislator Pierce, Legislator Smith, Committee Vice-Chair Williams Johnson and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

**Absent:** Legislator Tubiolo

**Away:** Legislator Borgia

11. [ACT-2023-22](#) **IMA-Prisoner Transportation-Greenburgh**

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into an Intermunicipal Agreement with the Town of Greenburgh in order to provide reimbursement for prisoner transportation to the Westchester County Jail.

**SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS AND PUBLIC SAFETY**

Guests: Department of Correction  
Director of Administrative Services Bill Fallon  
Warden Karl Vollmer  
*Please refer to item #7.*

On motion of Legislator Maher, 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:** Committee Chair Gashi, Legislator Barr, Legislator Maher, Legislator Parker, Legislator Pierce, Legislator Smith, Committee Vice-Chair Williams Johnson and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

**Absent:** Legislator Tubiolo

**Away:** Legislator Borgia

12. [2022-577](#) **IMA(Amend)-School Resource Officer-Hendrick Hudson School District**

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to amend an intermunicipal agreement with the Hendrick Hudson School District whereby the County agreed to assign one (1) regularly employed uniformed police officer to act as the School Resource Officer for the District for a five (5) year term commencing in September, 2018, by assigning one (1) additional School Resource Officer to the District beginning in September, 2022 and for the remainder of the IMA term.

**COMMITTEE REFERRAL: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS AND PUBLIC SAFETY**

Guests: Department of Public Safety  
Commissioner Terrance Raynor  
FHR Director Siva Gopalkrishna  
Lieutenant Charles Geraci  
Sergeant James Dress

*Commissioner Terrance Raynor, Captain Frank Donovan, Lieutenant Charles Geraci, Sergeant James Dress, and FHR Director Siva Gopalkrishna appeared before the Committee to discuss the item. Commissioner Raynor discussed the Hendrick Hudson School Districts' request for an additional School Resource Officer. The request was made by the school district because of the value they see in having an officer.*

On motion of Legislator Smith, 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:** Committee Chair Gashi, Legislator Barr, Legislator Borgia, Legislator Parker, Legislator Pierce, Legislator Smith, Committee Vice-Chair Williams Johnson and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

**Nay:** Legislator Maher

**Absent:** Legislator Tubiolo

13. [ACT-2023-25](#) **IMA-School Resource Officer-Katonah-Lewisboro School District**

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into an inter-municipal agreement with the Katonah-Lewisboro School District whereby the County will assign one (1) uniformed police officer to act as a School Resource Officer for the District at the John Jay High School, the John Jay Middle School, and upon request at the Increase Miller Elementary School, the Katonah Elementary School, and the Meadow Pond Elementary School.

**SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS AND PUBLIC SAFETY**

Guests: Department of Public Safety

Commissioner Terrance Raynor

FHR Director Siva Gopalkrishna

Lieutenant Charles Geraci

Sergeant James Dress

*Commissioner Terrance Raynor, Captain Frank Donovan, Lieutenant Charles Geraci, Sergeant James Dress, and FHR Director Siva Gopalkrishna appeared before the Committee to discuss the item. Commissioner Raynor discussed the Katonah-Lewisboro School Districts' request for an additional School Resource Officer. The request was made by the school district because of the value they see in having an officer.*

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

**Aye:** Committee Chair Gashi, Legislator Barr, Legislator Borgia, Legislator Parker, Legislator Pierce, Legislator Smith, Committee Vice-Chair Williams Johnson and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

**Absent:** Legislator Tubiolo

**WO Prejudice:** Legislator Maher

14. [ACT-2023-26](#) **IMA-Justice Assistance Grant-Yonkers**

AN ACT to authorize the County of Westchester to enter into a four-year inter-municipal agreement with the City of Yonkers for the administration of the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant for 2022.

**SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS AND PUBLIC SAFETY**



Guests: Department of Public Safety  
Commissioner Terrance Raynor  
FHR Director Siva Gopalkrishna  
Lieutenant Charles Geraci  
Sergeant James Dress

*Commissioner Terrance Raynor, Captain Frank Donovan, Lieutenant Charles Geraci, Sergeant James Dress, and FHR Director Siva Gopalkrishna appeared before the Committee to discuss the item. Commissioner Raynor discussed the Justice Assistance Grant. Commissioner Raynor noted that only Yonkers is receiving fund from this grant, however, it is the County's discretion to allocate the portion of the funds that they receive and are using it in Mount Vernon.*

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

**Aye:** Committee Chair Gashi, Legislator Barr, Legislator Borgia, Legislator Maher, Legislator Parker, Legislator Pierce, Legislator Smith, Committee Vice-Chair Williams Johnson and Legislator Woodson-Samuels

**Absent:** Legislator Tubiolo

**II. OTHER BUSINESS**

**III. RECEIVE & FILE**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Committee Vice-Chair Williams Johnson, seconded by Legislator Barr, the Committee adjourned at 1:03 PM.

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