

Budget & Appropriations

BOL Meeting Minutes - Published Draft



Committee Chair: Jewel Williams Johnson

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Monday, November 18, 2024

10:00 AM

Committee Room

CALL TO ORDER

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Legislator Colin Smith will be participating remotely from 1132 Main St., Suite 1, Peekskill, NY 10566

With a quorum present, Chair Williams Johnson called the meeting to order at 10:11 AM.

Others in Attendance: GUESTS: Leonard Townes, John Befus, Katrina Alexander, Randy Scott, Lisette Matos, George Asante, Thomas Rooney, Mae Carpenter, Sandra Brown, Agnes Nowak, Krish Drummond, Colette Phipps, Emily Saltzman, Larry Soule, Catherine Borgia, Deb Ogden; BOL: Ben Boykin, Catherine Parker, Jose Alavarado, David Imamura, Emiljana Ulaj, Dayana Gomez, Shatika Parker, James Silverberg, Lisa Hochman, Greg Casciato, Althema Goodson, Jack Cardwell, Warren Watson

Present: Legislator Williams Johnson, Legislator Barr, Legislator Holstein, Legislator Pierce, Legislator Smith, Legislator Williams, Legislator Woodson-Samuels and Legislator Gashi

Excused: Legislator Tubiolo

MINUTES APPROVAL

I. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

1. Department of Social Services Presentation on the 2025 Operating Budget

Guests: Department of Social Services
Commissioner Leonard Townes
First Deputy Commissioner John Befus
Deputy Commissioner Katrina Alexander
Deputy Commissioner Randy Scott
Deputy Commissioner Lisette Matos
Director George Asante, Office of Housing Counsel

Commissioner Leonard Townes and his team from the Department of Social Services

appeared before the Committee to review their 2025 Operating Budget. The video can be viewed at:

https://westchestercountyny.granicus.com/player/clip/7339?view_id=1&redirect=true

The presentation and the 2025 Westchester County Budget can be found at the Westchester Board of Legislators website under the Budget Dashboard:

<https://www.westchesterlegislators.com/fy2025-budget-dashboard>

2. Department of Senior Programs and Services Presentation on the 2025 Operating Budget

Guests: Department of Senior Programs and Services
Commissioner Mae Carpenter
Director of Program Development II Sandra Brown
Nutrition Coordinator Krish Drummond
Director of Program Development II Agnes Nowak
Director of Program Development II Colette Phipps

Commissioner Mae Carpenter and her team from the Department of Senior Programs & Services appeared before the Committee to review their 2025 Operating Budget. The video can be viewed at:

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3. [ACT-2024-236](#) **ACT-Retroactively Amend Grant Agreements-NYSOFA-Title III-B, etc.**

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to retroactively amend 2023 grant agreements with the New York State Office for the Aging.

SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS AND VETERANS, SENIORS & YOUTH

Guests: Department of Senior Programs and Services
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Director of Program Development II Sandra Brown
Nutrition Coordinator Krish Drummond
Director of Program Development II Agnes Nowak
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On motion of Legislator Smith, 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, Legislator Barr, Legislator Holstein, Legislator Pierce, Legislator Smith and Legislator Williams

Excused: Legislator Tubiolo

Away: Legislator Woodson-Samuels and Legislator Gashi

II. OTHER BUSINESS

III. RECEIVE & FILE

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Legislator Barr, seconded by Legislator Pierce, the Committee adjourned at 1:07 PM. by the following vote:

Aye: Legislator Williams Johnson, Legislator Barr, Legislator Holstein, Legislator Pierce, Legislator Smith, Legislator Williams and Legislator Gashi

Excused: Legislator Tubiolo

Away: Legislator Woodson-Samuels

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