

Westchester County Board of Legislators

**COMMITTEE ON public works, TRANSPORTATION, LABOR AND PARKS
JOINT WITH PUBLIC SAFETY & SECURITY**

MINUTES: October 16, 2007
3:30 PM

**committee ON public works, TRANSPORTATION, LABOR AND
PARKS**

MEMBERS: Chair: K. Jenkins; Legislators: B. Burton, J. Myers,
V. Pinto, B. Ryan, S. Swanson

LEGISLATORS: M. Kaplowitz

IN ATTENDANCE: **CE:** S. Tolchin, A. Neuman, B. Randolph; **PARKS:**
J. Stout, D. McBride, P. Tartaglia; **DSS:** D. Beckford; **GUESTS:** J.
Aldrich; **PRESS:** S. Colucci, News12; G. Blain, Journal News; C. Cioffi,
WCBS Radio; K. Farr, NBC-TV; **BOL STAFF:** B. Bochow, B. DeSoye,
T. Bernard, C. Giliberti, M. Montalto, L. Gantress, D. Toledo, N. Rentz

With a meeting quorum present, the Committee on Public Works, Transportation, Labor, & Parks was called to order at 3:46 p.m.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

PWTLP #375: Memorandum of Agreement - Yonkers

Mr. Donovan Beckford appeared before the committee on behalf of Commissioner of Social Services Kevin Mahon to present the memorandum of agreement. He stated that this agreement would be done with Westchester County incurring no cost for the establishment of a strategic partnership to address workforce issues to those who “lack English language proficiency skills.”

(Myers, Burton) move the proposed act authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with the City of Yonkers and the Counties of Ulster, Sullivan and Orange for the purpose of establishing a strategic partnership to address workforce issues targeted to individuals who lack English language proficiency skills.

Motion passed 6-0.

PLAYLAND SAFETY AUDIT

Director of Playland Dan McBride gave a brief introduction of safety consultant Jerry Aldrich from Amusement Industry Consulting. Mr. Aldrich conducted his safety audit of Playland Park between the dates of August 21, 2007 and August 31, 2007. Mr. Aldrich led the team that evaluated Playland in 2004 and proposed improvements. He noted that most of the recommendations that were made, were put into practice by Playland management.

The most recently published safety audit reflects an evaluation of each and every ride at Playland. Rides were evaluated for their signage, staffing levels and attentiveness, operational guidelines, and overall safety.

A COPY OF THE AMUSEMENT INDUSTRY CONSULTING AUDIT REPORT IS ON FILE AND IS AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST

On a motion by Legislator Myers, seconded by Legislator Burton, the Committee on Public Works, Transportation, Labor, & Parks adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

AUDIO RECORDING ON FILE FOR REVIEW UPON REQUEST