

**WESTCHESTER COUNTY BOARD OF LEGISLATORS
COMMITTEE ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS MEETING
JOINT WITH THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS
MINUTES SEPTEMBER 8, 2009**

MEMBERS B&A: Chair: Jose Alvarado, Legislators: Jenkins, Rogowsky, Burton, Myers, Oros, Spreckman, Harckham, Ryan

MEMBERS GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS: Chair: Ken Jenkins, Burton, Myers, Burrows, Pinto, Harckham, Rogowsky, Spreckman, Ryan

IN ATTENDANCE: **DEF:** Marian Pompa, **DOT:** Larry Salley; **Water:** Gina D'Agrosa; **CBAC, LWVW:** Barbara Strauss; **Guardian:** Richard Blassberg; **Hometown Media Group:** Page Rentz; **CEO:** Bill Randolph; **Law:** Stacey Dolgin-Kmetz, Lori Alesio, Hillary Raimondi; **Staff:** Tara Bernard, Sally Schechter

The Committee on Budget & Appropriations was called to order at 9:42 a.m. by Chair Alvarado.

A303 Act-East of Hudson Water Quality Investment Program Fund and A304 IMA-East of Hudson Water Quality Investment Program Fund: This is to finance a loan to the Town of Somers to study the feasibility of creating a Regional Stormwater Entity and developing a regional stormwater retrofit plan and to authorize the County to enter into an IMA with the Town for distribution of the funds to the municipality. This was signed out of Environment and Energy on September 2 by a vote of 6-0 (Abinanti, Kaplowitz, Myers, Harckham, Oros, Rogowsky) and on the motion of Legislator Harckham, seconded by Legislator Rogowsky for Budget & Appropriations, the motion was carried by a vote of 8-0 (Alvarado, Jenkins, Rogowsky, Myers, Harckham, Spreckman, Oros, Ryan).

The Committee of Government Operations was called to order at 9:45 a.m. by Chair Jenkins.

A297. Public Hearing Resolution Sewer District Modification 95 Bradhurst Avenue, A298. Environmental Resolution Sewer District Modification 95 Bradhurst Avenue, A299. Act Mt. Pleasant Sewer District Modification 95 Bradhurst Avenue: The Blythedale Children's Hospital is requesting that they be removed from the Saw Mill Sewer District and added to the Upper Bronx River

Valley Sanitary Sewer District . They are requesting this as the hospital is abandoning the existing pump station and converting to a new gravity sewer system which will transport wastewater to the Upper Bronx River Valley Sanitary Sewer District. Both districts are treated at the Yonkers Joint Wastewater Treatment Plant but use a different route. On the motion of Legislator Myers and seconded by Legislator Harckham for Budget & Appropriations, the motion was carried by a vote of 9-0 (Alvarado, Jenkins, Rogowsky, Burton, Myers, Harckham, Ryan, Spreckman, Oros) and on the motion of Legislator Pinto, seconded by Legislator Rogowsky for Government Operations, the motion was carried by a vote of 8-0 (Jenkins, Rogowsky, Burton, Myers, Harckham, Burrows, Pinto, Spreckman).

On the motion of Legislator Myers, seconded by Legislator Rogowsky, the Government Operations minutes of April 6, 2009, June 8, 2009, and August 10, 2009 were accepted by a vote of 7-0 (Jenkins, Burrows, Burton, Harckham, Myers, Rogowsky, Spreckman). Legislator Pinto was not present at all meetings.

A300. Resolution Public Hearing to Amend Local Law Procedures for the Sale or Lease of Surplus Property and A301 Local Law Amending the Procedures for the Sale or Lease of Surplus Property: There are 84 diesel powered buses that were purchased in 1995 and 1996.

They have approximately 500,000 miles on them and because of the age, even though the Federal government provided 80 per cent of the funding, they have depleted the federal useful life and we are able to sell them. The MTA had purchased seven bus companies in the outer boroughs. These buses do not meet the air emission standards. They have new buses on order but they will not receive them for two years. Commissioner Salley said we put these buses out to bid and we received a bid of \$2600 on most of them and a lesser amount on others. The MTA agreed to pay \$2600 for all of them. This will generate \$187,000. We are replacing them with hybrid vehicles. Fifty-four have been delivered, thirty four are in service, the remainder are in inspection and by the end of the year we should have a total of 95 and we will have eleven more the first of the year which is being purchased with stimulus money. On the motion of Legislator Myers, seconded by Legislator Burton for Budget and Appropriations, the motion was carried by a vote of 9-0 (Alvarado, Jenkins, Rogowsky, Burton, Myers, Harckham, Spreckman, Oros, Ryan) and on the motion of Legislator Pinto, seconded by Legislator Rogowsky, the motion was carried by a vote of 9-0 (Jenkins, Rogowsky, Burton, Myers, Harckham, Burrows, Pinto, Spreckman, Ryan).

On the motion of Legislator Jenkins, seconded by Legislator Burton, the minutes of August 17, 2009 Budget & Appropriations were approved by a vote of 8-0 (Alvarado, Jenkins, Rogowsky, Burton, Myers, Harckham, Spreckman, Oros) and

on the motion of Legislator Burton, seconded by Legislator Myers, Budget & Appropriations was adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

On the motion of Legislator Pinto, seconded by Legislator Rogowsky, Government Operations was adjourned at 9:55 a.m.