

WESTCHESTER COUNTY BOARD OF LEGISLATORS
COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT & ENERGY

MINUTES: April 27, 2009

MEMBERS (E&E): Chair: Abinanti; Legislators: Harckham, Kaplowitz, Maisano, Myers, Nonna, Rogowsky

IN ATTENDANCE: STAFF: C. Crane; GUESTS: G. D'Agrosa (Water Agency); M. Wallach (CCE)

Meeting called to order at 3:40 pm.

Item(s) Discussed: **Agenda Review**

Chair Abinanti began the meeting with a review of the surface water buffer provision of the proposed fertilizer legislation and its possible impact on golf courses. After discussion among members and Ms. D'Agrosa, it was suggested that the provision be reviewed with golf courses sometime after the law has taken effect to assess the effectiveness of this provision.

Committee members then discussed various agenda items including airspace redesign, low sulfur heating oil, residential energy efficiency improvements, ARRA stimulus funding, and expanded plastic bags legislation. Mr. Wallach stated that the Connecticut legislature is considering a 5 cent fee on plastic bags. Leg. Myers noted that legislation to fund four flood mitigation projects would be coming to the County Board. A Committee of the Whole is scheduled for May 11th to update the County Board on the Flood Action Task Force activities and recommendations.

Upon the motion of Leg. Rogowsky, seconded by Leg. Harckham, the Committee approved the January 21, 2009 meeting minutes (all in favor). Upon the motion of Leg. Kaplowitz, seconded by Chair Abinanti, the Committee voted to adjourn the meeting (all in favor). The meeting ended at approximately 4:50 pm.

[audio recording of the meeting is on file]