

**WESTCHESTER COUNTY BOARD OF LEGISLATORS
COMMITTEE ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS MEETING
JOINT WITH THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS,
AND COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY SERVICES
MINUTES JULY 13, 2009**

MEMBERS B&A: Chair: Jose Alvarado, Legislators: Jenkins
Burton, Harckham, Kaplowitz

MEMBERS GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS: Chair: Ken Jenkins,
Legislators: Bronz, Burton, Pinto,
Harckham

MEMBERS COMMUNITY SERVICES: Chair: Lois Bronz,
Legislators: Alvarado, Burton, Jenkins, Pinto

IN ATTENDANCE: **DES:** Anthony Sutton; **DEF:** Marian Pompa,
Tom Lauro; **DPW:** Ralph Butler; **DSS:** Diane
Atkins, Diane Stein; **IT:** Patty Dohrenwind;
DA: Marianne Walsh, Donna Rituici; **CBAC,**
LWVW: Barbara Strauss; **CBAC:** Fran
MacEachron; **BUDGET:** Arthur Vietro; **CEO:**
Bill Randolph, Chanelle Hyde; Hope Corbin;
BOL: Travis Grodin, Alysia Mergan, Rick
Pezzullo, Sally Swift, Joanne Sold, Diana
Marszalek, S. Martin, Chris Crane, Chris
Giliberti, Melanie Montalto, Kate, Bob Boland,
Olivia Rhodes, Sally Schechter

The Chairpeople of the various committees called the meeting to
order at 10:15 a.m.

Added Starter: Gift Acceptance of \$50,000: This is a gift from the
NYS Bar Association to the DA for video recording of custodial
interviews and interrogations to be distributed to local police
departments. This is a continuation of a program that was started
last year and this money will be used in seven communities – Croton,
Ossining, Bedford, Greenburgh, New Castle, Pelham and Mt.
Pleasant. On the motion of Legislator Kaplowitz, seconded by

Legislator Burton, the motion was passed by a vote of 5-0 (Alvarado, Jenkins, Kaplowitz, Burton, Harckham).

A281, Resolution Public Hearing Sewer District Modification 183 Union Avenue and 19 Century Ridge Road; A282 Environmental Resolution Sewer District Modification 183 Union Avenue and 19 Century Ridge Road and Act Sewer District Modification 183 Union Avenue and 19 Century Ridge Road: Legislator Jenkins said Government Operations has not reviewed this yet and would appreciate it if Budget would wait until they do.

A285. IMA Emergency Shelter Supplies Department of Emergency Services: This is version two of earlier legislation. Municipalities were not happy with the restrictions in the previous agreement. The previous IMA asked the municipalities to establish a shelter site and agree to establish a shelter if the County asked for it. The municipalities wanted the flexibility of deciding where the shelter would be located depending on the emergency. It is also in Public Safety and Chair Pinto said he would discuss this item in Public Safety and then bring it back for a vote in Budget.

A286. Lease Agreement with the Village of Scarsdale: The County has used this for emergency housing since 2005. Westhab runs the facility. The present family is from the Philippines. They are the parents of the co-joined twins. The mother is an RN and is trying to obtain a work visa. They are in the country legally – here on a medical visa. On the motion of Legislator Kaplowitz, seconded by Legislator Jenkins for Budget & Appropriations, the motion was carried by a vote of 5-0 (Alvarado, Jenkins, Burton, Kaplowitz, Harckham) and on the motion of Legislator Pinto, seconded by Legislator Jenkins for Community Services, the motion was carried by a vote of 5-0 (Bronz, Alvarado, Jenkins, Burton, Pinto).

On the motion of Legislator Pinto, seconded by Legislator Burton, Community Services was adjourned at 10:31 a.m.

On the motion of Legislator Jenkins, seconded by Legislator Burton, Budget & Appropriations' minutes of June 29 were approved.

On the motion of Legislator Pinto, seconded of Legislator Harckham for Government Operations, the minutes of May 4 were approved.

352. Hon. George Oros: Sewer District Modification Town of Cortlandt 3195 E. Main Street: On the motion of Legislator Burton, seconded by Legislator Pinto, this item will be sent to the County Executive's office to begin the process of reinstatement into the sewer district.

A269 Capital Budget Amendment RB089 Rehabilitation of June Road, CR310, North Salem and A270 Capital Budget Amendment RB088 Rehabilitation of Ridge Street and Wappanocca Avenue: Both of these projects are amending the Capital Budget as the Federal and State funding has been moved to the outer years. These projects are in the design phase and DPW would like to move ahead with them. Legislator Pinto asked Commissioner Butler about the new system of melting the tar. The Commissioner said D.P.W. is putting together a power point presentation for the Board on hot recycling asphalt and he had his staff visit the firm that was working in Putnam County. There are some pluses and some minuses. The amount of heat generated destroys the grass and shrubs that are in close proximity. The Commissioner explained the process and said as soon as the power point is ready, he will present it to both committees. On the motion of Legislator Harckham, seconded by Legislator Kaplowitz for Budget and Appropriations on Item A269 June Road, the motion was carried by a vote of 5-0 (Alvarado, Jenkins, Burton, Kaplowitz, Harckham) and on the motion of Legislator Harckham, seconded by Legislator Burton for Government Operations, the motion was carried by a vote of 5-0 (Jenkins, Bronz, Burton, Harckham, Pinto). On the motion of Legislator Kaplowitz, seconded by Legislator Burton for Budget & Appropriations on Item A270 Ridge Street, the motion was carried by a vote of 5-0 (Alvarado, Jenkins, Burton, Kaplowitz, Harckham) and on the motion of Legislator Bronz, seconded by Legislator Pinto for Government Operations, the motion was carried by a vote of 5-0 (Jenkins, Bronz, Burton, Harckham, Pinto).

A271. Capital Budget Amendment RB01G Odell Avenue over Putnam R-O-W Yonkers: This is changing the financing of the capital project. The County is receiving an additional \$524,000 in federal

money and the budget is being amended to show this. On the motion of Legislator Burton, seconded by Legislator Harckham for Budget & Appropriations, the motion was carried by a vote of 5-0 (Alvarado, Jenkins, Burton, Kaplowitz, Harckham) and on the motion of Legislator Pinto, seconded by Legislator Harckham for Government Operations, the motion was carried by a vote of 5-0 (Jenkins, Bronz, Burton, Harckham, Pinto).

C154. Amended Bond Act B0081 Partial Reconstruction of the Archives and Record Center Building in the amount of \$8,875,000:

This is the last phase of bonding for the Record Center. This project will include a new boiler plant, parking lot improvements, the sprinkler system upgrade and a new telephone system. The total amount of the project will amount to \$9.2 million. The boilers are thirty years old. They expect to have a savings of 30 to 50 percent in fuel reduction. It will be a dual burner should gas become available in the future. A report was done by NYPA to replace county wide boilers in various parks and based on that study, it was determined which boiler should be used at the Record Center. The Legislators would like to see a copy of that report. The Commissioner was also asked what the potential savings would be and he will forward that information to the Committee. On the motion of Legislator Burton, seconded by Legislator Harckham for Budget & Appropriations, the motion was carried by a vote of 5-0 (Alvarado, Jenkins, Burton, Kaplowitz (without prejudice), Harckham) and on the motion of Legislator Pinto, seconded by Legislator Bronz for Government Operations, the motion was carried by a vote of 5-0 (Jenkins, Bronz, Burton, Harckham, Pinto).

C156. Bond Act SM003 Structural Rehabilitation Administration Building Roof and Tower Mamaroneck WWTP in the amount of

\$2,750,000): This is for the rehabilitation of the tower which is on the register of the National Historical structures. This is a focal point of the village and is on many navigational maps. When this was built as part of a WPA project in the '30's, there were no expansion joints in the bricks and as a result there are vertical cracks. There are three flat roofs and one of them has developed major leaks but because of the historic nature of the building, green roof technology cannot be used. Originally the tower was a smoke stack so the smoke would filter over the village. Now it is used for ventilation. The project will

be paid for by the rate payers in the Mamaroneck Sewer District. On the motion of Legislator Burton, seconded by Legislator Jenkins for Budget & Appropriations, the motion was carried by a vote of 5-0 (Alvarado, Jenkins, Burton, Kaplowitz, Harckham) and on the motion of Legislator Bronz, seconded by Legislator Pinto for Government Operations, the motion was carried by a vote of 5-0 (Jenkins, Bronz, Burton, Harckham, Pinto).

C158 Bond Act SOS09 Ossining WWTP Boiler and Generator Replacement in the amount of \$1,800,000: This is to replace a boiler that was installed in 1981 and has exceeded its life. The savings generated from this replacement will amount to approximately \$32,000 to \$50,000 per year. The emergency generator is twenty-eight years old and will also be replaced. It is used probably once a year. NYPA was asked to look at the project but this is more about replacement and not energy efficiency and the pay back does not fit into their schedule of 25 years, it is more like 55 years. They will be following NYPA's recommendations on the equipment. On the motion of Legislator Burton, seconded by Legislator Jenkins for Budget & Appropriations, the motion was carried by a vote of 5-0 (Alvarado, Jenkins, Burton, Kaplowitz, Harckham) and on the motion of Legislator Burton, seconded by Legislator Harckham for Government Operations, the motion was carried by a vote of 5-0 (Jenkins, Burton, Harckham, Pinto, Bronz).

On the motion of Legislator Pinto, seconded by Legislator Burton, the Committee on Government Operations was adjourned at 11:09 a.m.

Revised Flood Mitigation Resolution: Legislator Kaplowitz is a member of the Environment and Energy Committee and he said the changes on the revised resolution are reasonable. On the motion of Legislator Kaplowitz, seconded by Legislator Harckham for Budget & Appropriations, the motion was passed by a vote of 5-0 (Alvarado, Jenkins, Burton, Kaplowitz, Harckham). This was previously signed out of Environment and Energy on July 7 by a vote of 7-0 (Abinanti, Kaplowitz, Myers, Harckham, Nonna, Maisano, Rogowsky).

On the motion of Legislator Burton, seconded by Legislator Jenkins, Item B39 (correspondence from Legislator Nonna concerning Miller House) was received and filed.

On the motion of Legislator Burton, seconded by Legislator Jenkins, the meeting was adjourned at 11:11 a.m.