# COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATION MEETING JOINTLY WITH COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY AGENDA MONDAY, MAY 4, 2009 1:30 P.M.

# **MINUTES**

April 27, 2009

# ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

- 115. **ADDED STARTER: HON. WILLIAM BURTON:** *New York State Home Rule Resolution:* Request for Home Rule Resolution to extend provisions of law relating to the disposition of sales and compensation use tax revenue in the County of Westchester.
- 27. **HON. PETER HARCKHAM:** *DWI Vehicle Forfeiture Law:* Correspondence requesting vehicle forfeiture legislation be drafted. **PSS, 3/11/08**

### A. REFERRALS:

- 11. **HON. THOMAS ABINANTI:** <u>Drainage and Flood Management Agency:</u> Local Law providing for the designation of a Drainage and Flood Management Agency. **E&E**, 1/22/08
- 12. **HON. THOMAS ABINANTI:** *Job Sharing Program:* Act establishing a Job Sharing Program that allows two County employees to voluntarily share duties of one full-time position. **GO, 1/22/08**
- 16. HON. GEORGE OROS, HON. JAMES MAISANO, & HON. GORDON BURROWS: *Board of Acquisition & Contract*: Local Law relating to the composition, powers, procedures, and the award of contracts by the Board of Acquisition and Contracts. **B&A**, 1/22/08
- 23. **HON. THOMAS ABINANTI:** <u>Regulating Fuel Content:</u> Local law regulating the high Sulfur content for heating and hot water. **E&E**, 2/11/08
- 24. **HON. THOMAS ABINANTI:** <u>Efficient Capital Projects:</u> Local Law establishing requirements of green building standards for certain county-owned or county-funded projects. **E&E**, 2/11/08
- 27. **HON. PETER HARCKHAM:** *DWI Vehicle Forfeiture Law:* Correspondence requesting vehicle forfeiture legislation be drafted. **PSS, 3/11/08**
- 31. **HON. THOMAS ABINANTI:** *Shark Fin Products:* Local Law to prohibit the sale and provision of shark fin soup and other shark derived products. 3/11/08

- 37. **HON. GEORGE OROS:** <u>Silver Alert Law:</u> An act relating to a silver alert for missing senior citizens. 3/25/08
- 55. **HON. THOMAS ABINANTI:** *Corrective amendments to Chapter 702:* Correspondence requesting the County Attorney's Office be asked to draft corrective legislation renumbering chapter 702. **5/5/2008**
- 58. HON. KEN JENKINS, HON. LYNDON WILLIAMS, HON. JOSE ALVARADO: *Apprentice Training Legislation:* Correspondence requesting to reintroduce the Apprentice training legislation. GO, 5/5/2008
- 59. **HON. KEN JENKINS:** <u>Westchester County Property Valuation Commission:</u> Bill memo correspondence to develop legislation that will create a Westchester County Property Valuation Commission. **GO**, 5/5/2008
- 60. **HON. WILLIAM BURTON:** <u>Westchester County Tax Law:</u> Proposed Amendments from the Westchester Association of Receivers of Taxes to the Westchester County Tax Law. **B&A**, 5/5/2008
- 63. HON. THOMAS ABINANTI & HON. JAMES MAISANO: *Eminent Domain*: Local Law to restrict the use of eminent domain. 5/5/2008
- 74. **HON. THOMAS ABINANTI & HON. VITO PINTO:** <u>Payment of School Taxes:</u> Local Law with respect to the penalties for the neglect to pay school taxes after the levy thereof. **B&A**, 7/8/2008
- 75. **HON. WILLIAM BURTON:** *Banning Wild and Exotic Animal Acts:* Correspondence from legislator Rogowsky requesting discussion of banning wild and exotic animal acts. 7/8/2008
- 77. **HON. THOMAS ABINANTI:** *Payment of School Taxes:* Local Law amending the penalties for the neglect to pay school taxes after the levy thereof. **8/11/2008**
- 78. **HON. GEORGE OROS:** <u>Restrictions for Sex Offenders:</u> Local Law establishing residency restrictions for sex offenders. 8/11/08
- 79. **HON. GEORGE OROS:** <u>Suspension of Sales Tax:</u> Resolution urging the suspension of Sales Tax on Gasoline, Diesel Fuel, and Home Heating Oil sold in Westchester County. **8/11/08**
- 81. HON. KEN JENKINS, HON. GEORGE OROS, HON. WILLIAM BURTON, HON. GORDON BURROWS & HON. PETER HARCKHAM: <u>Special Committee on Internal Controls & Procedures Report:</u> Forwarding the Special Committee on Internal Controls and Procedures Report. Rules, 8/11/2008

- 82. **HON. GEORGE OROS & HON. GORDON BURROWS:** *Minority Report Internal Controls & Procedures:* Forwarding the Minority Report of the Special Committee on Internal Controls and Procedures. **Rules, 8/11/2008**
- 83. **HON. MICHAEL KAPLOWITZ:** <u>BOL Reform Proposal:</u> Forwarding a copy of Kaplowitz's Four Part Plan to Restore the Public's Trust in the Westchester County Board of Legislators. **Rules, 8/11/2008**
- 87. HON. GEORGE OROS & HON. GORDON BURROWS: <u>Office of Inspector</u> <u>General:</u> Local Law to establish an Inspector General in Westchester County. 9/8/2008
- 93. **HON. WILLIAM RYAN:** <u>Request for Use of Land for Cemetery Purposes:</u> Correspondence from the Village of Sleepy Hollow for the use of a certain parcel of land for cemetery purposes. 10/20/2008
- 94. **HON. JAMES MAISANO:** <u>Emergency Cell Phone Calls:</u> Correspondence and an article regarding an emergency exception section of the County's cell phone law. **11/10/2008**
- 95. **HON. LYNDON WILLIAMS:** *Early Voting:* Resolution requesting the New York State Delegation develop guidelines and initiate legislation that would permit early voting in New York State. 11/10/2008
- 97A. **HON. MICHAEL KAPLOWITZ:** <u>Department of Investigations:</u> Proposed Local Law adding Chapter 159 to the Laws of Westchester County to establish a Department of Investigations. 11/24/2008
- 98. **HON. LYNDON WILLIAMS:** <u>State Voting Reform:</u> Correspondence of resolutions from the New York City Council supporting state legislation for electronic voter registration, same day registration and early voting. **12/8/2008**
- 99. **HON. KEN JENKINS:** *Boundary Correction:* Correspondence regarding a Local Law to correct a boundary in Legislative Districts 15 & 16 in the City of Yonkers. **12/8/2008**
- 100. <u>COUNTY EXECUTIVE: Item Pricing Waiver:</u> Local Law with respect to Item Pricing in order to provide a Waiver to Certain Qualified Retailers. 2/4/2008
- 101. **HON. VITO PINTO:** *Live Scan Equipment:* Correspondence from Legislator Rogowsky requesting a committee meeting to discuss the possibility of municipalities sharing live scan equipment. **PSS**, 2/4/2008
- 102. HON. MICHAEL KAPLOWITZ: *Mortgage Tax*: Constituent correspondence regarding the state's mortgage tax with respect to refinancing. 3/5/2009

- 103. **HON. MICHAEL KAPLOWITZ**: *Greenway Conservancy Support*: Requesting that the Governor and the State Legislature continue to fund the Hudson Valley Greenway and the Greenway Conservancy. 3/5/2009
- 104. **HON. GEORGE OROS**: *Town of Cortlandt V.A. Montrose*: Forwarding correspondence from the Supervisor of the Town of Cortlandt regarding the position of the entire Cortlandt Town Board and the Veteran's Committee on the Franklin Delano Roosevelt Campus of the V.A. Hudson Valley Health Care System (Montrose) urging the majority of the V.A. land be kept for Veterans services, current and future, not for housing needs. **3/5/2009**
- 105. HON. MICHAEL KAPLOWITZ & HON. GEORGE OROS: Opposing MTA Tax: Town of Yorktown Resolution opposing any MTA tax. 3/5/2009 also GO
- 106. **HON. WILLIAM BURTON**: *Banning of Wild and Exotic Animal Acts*: Correspondence from the Committee on Wild & Exotic Animal Acts to enact a ban on Wild and Exotic Animal acts. 3/5/2009
- 107. **HON. GEORGE OROS:** *Resolution-Mobility Tax:* Forwarding a proposed Resolution opposing any imposition of a Mobility Tax on the twelve county MTA Commuter District. 3/5/2009 also GO
- 108. **HON. THOMAS ABINANTI:** *NYSAC Conference:* Forwarding his report on the NYSAC 2009 Legislative Conference. 3/5/2009
- 109. **HON. THOMAS ABINANTI:** *NYSAC Resolutions:* Forwarding a packet of 2009 NYSAC Standing Committee Resolutions. 3/5/2009
- 110. **HON. MARTIN ROGOWSKY:** *County Tax Code*: Forwarding correspondence from Town of Rye Supervisor, Joseph Carvin requesting an amendment to the County Tax Code, amending the date of the full payment of the levy to the school districts. *3/23/09*
- 111. **HON. JUDITH MYERS:** *Special Act School District Funding*. Forwarding correspondence from the Greenburgh-Graham School Superintendent, Amy Goodman with regard to the exclusion of Special Act Public School Districts from the current list of Public School Districts in New York State who are slated to receive IDEA stimulus aid. *3/23/09*
- 112. HON. PETER HARCKHAM: <u>Plastics-Biphenol A (BPA) Ban</u> Correspondence to consider banning the chemical Bisphenol-A(BPA), an industrial chemical used in plastic baby bottles and food containers that may be harmful to human development. 3/23/09
- 113. **HON. THOMAS ABINANTI:** <u>Greenburgh Tax Bills:</u> Correspondence from Greenburgh Town Supervisor Paul Feiner calling on the County to change the law to make it easier for taxpayers to pay their County/Town/Fire district bills. 04/13/09

- 114. **HON. THOMAS ABINANTI**: *New Yorkers Against Gun Violence*: Forwarding correponsdence from the Executive Director of New Yorkers Against Gun Violence demanding accountability of gun inustry and lawmakers who refuse to enact comprehensive gun laws *04/13/09*
- 115. **ADDED STARTER: COUNTY EXECUTIVE:** <u>New York State Home Rule</u> <u>Resolution:</u> Request for Home Rule Resolution to extend provisions of law relating to the disposition of sales and compensation use tax revenue in the County of Westchester.

### **B. BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS APPOINTMENTS:**

- B207. <u>COUNTY EXECUTIVE: Human Rights Commission-Sax:</u> Reappointment of Maurio Sax as a member of the Westchester County Human Rights Commission for a term to expire December 31, 2011. *3/23/09*
- B213. <u>COUNTY EXECUTIVE: Domestic Violence Council-Conte:</u> Reappointment of Louis Conte as a member of the Westchester County Domestic Violence Council for a term to expire December 31, 2011. 3/23/09
- B234. <u>COUNTY EXECUTIVE: Hispanic Advisory Board-Valentin:</u> Appointment of Maria I. Valentin as a member of the Westchester County Hispanic Advisory Board 4/13/09
- B235. <u>COUNTY EXECUTIVE: Women's Advisory Board-Schiffrin:</u> Appointment of Reina Schiffrin as a Legislative District 9 representative member of the Westchester County Women's Advisory Board 4/13/09
- B236. <u>COUNTY EXECUTIVE: Solid Waster Commission-Landi:</u> Appointment of Anthony M. Landi, P.E. as a member of the Westchester County Solid Waste Commission. *4/13/09*
- B237. <u>COUNTY EXECUTIVE: Airport Advisory Board-Schnorr:</u> Appointment of Gary A. Schnoor as a member of the Westchester County Airport Advisory Board *4/13/09*
- B238. <u>COUNTY EXECUTIVE: Westchester County Transportation Board-Fixelli:</u>
  Appointment of Drew Fixelli as a member of the Westchester County Transportation Board. 4/27/09
- B239. <u>COUNTY EXECUTIVE: Westchester County Women's Advisory Board:-Imperial</u> Appointment of Maria Imperial the Legislative District 15 representative of the Westchester County Women's Advisory Board. 4/27/09
- B240. <u>COUNTY EXECUTIVE: Westchester County Board of Ethics:-Ecker</u> Appointment of Lawrence Ecker as a member of the Westchester County Board of Ethics. *4/27/09*

- B241. <u>COUNTY EXECUTIVE: Westchester County Board of Transportation:-Edwards</u> Appointment of Claudia Edwards, PhD as a member of the Westchester County Board of Transportation. <u>4/27/09</u>
- B242. <u>COUNTY EXECUTIVE: Westchester County Board of Ethics:-Spano</u> Appointment of Leonard Spano as a member of the Westchester County Board of Ethics. <u>4/27/09</u>
- B243. <u>COUNTY EXECUTIVE</u>: <u>Westchester County Hispanic Advisory Board:-Serratto</u>
  Reappointment of Sergio Serratto as a member of the Westchester County Hispanic Advisory
  Board. <u>4/27/09</u>
- B244. <u>COUNTY EXECUTIVE: Westchester County County Traffic Safety Board:-Miller</u> Reappointment of Michael Miller as a member of the Westchester County Traffic Safety Board. 4/27/09
- B245. <u>COUNTY EXECUTIVE: Westchester County Professional Prequalification Board:</u>
  <u>Plotkin</u> Appointment of Edward Plotkin PE as a professional engineer member of the Westchester County Professional Prequalification Board. <u>4/27/09</u>
- B246. <u>COUNTY EXECUTIVE: Westchester County Youth Board:-Karger</u> Appointment of Mary Jane Karger as a member of the Westchester County Youth Board. 4/27/09
- B247. <u>COUNTY EXECUTIVE: Westchester County Women's Advisory Board: -Glassman</u> Appointment of Carla Glassman, Esq. as a Legislative District 12 representative member of the Westchester County Women's Advisory Board. *4/27/09*