



Committee on Environment & Health

~AGENDA~

Tuesday, January 12, 2021

1:00 PM

Committee Chair: Ruth Walter

Committee Room, 148 Martine Avenue, 8th Floor, White Plains, NY 10601

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CALL TO ORDER

MINUTES APPROVAL

1. Monday, August 10, 2020 at 11:30 AM
2. Tuesday, August 11, 2020 at 1:00 PM
3. Wednesday, September 09, 2020 at 3:02 PM
4. Monday, September 14, 2020 at 1:02 PM
5. Tuesday, September 15, 2020 at 1:00 PM
6. Tuesday, September 22, 2020 at 1:00 PM
7. Tuesday, September 29, 2020 at 1:00 PM
8. Monday, October 05, 2020 at 10:02 AM
9. Monday, October 05, 2020 at 11:31 AM
10. Tuesday, October 06, 2020 at 1:00 PM
11. Tuesday, October 13, 2020 at 1:00 PM
12. Tuesday, October 20, 2020 at 1:00 PM
13. Tuesday, November 10, 2020 at 1:00 PM

I. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

II. OTHER BUSINESS

Unfinished Business and any other agenda items to come before the Committee.

III. RECEIVE & FILE

1. **(ID # 12349) Communication – HON. MARYJANE SHIMSKY: Journal News Article - "White House, CDC Fight Slows Water Toxicity Study":**

Forwarding a *Journal News* article entitled, "White House, CDC Fight Slows Water Toxicity Study."

2. **(ID # 12353) Communication – HON. MARYJANE SHIMSKY: Journal News Article - "Nicotine Safety Rule Rarely Enforced":**

Forwarding a *Journal News* article entitled, "Nicotine Safety Rule Rarely Enforced."

3. **(ID # 12355) Communication – HON. MARYJANE SHIMSKY: Journal News Article - "Main Break Causes Sewage to Run into Hudson River in Ossining":**

Forwarding a *Journal News* Article entitled, "Main Break Causes Sewage to Run into Hudson River in Ossining."

4. **(ID # 12356)** **Communication – HON. MARYJANE SHIMSKY: FEMA Intergovernmental Affairs Advisory - "FEMA Releases 2019 National Preparedness Report":**

Forwarding the FEMA 2019 National Preparedness Report.

5. **(ID # 12381)** **Communication – HON. CATHERINE F. PARKER: NYTimes Article - "Texas Methane Super Emitters":**

Forwarding a *New York Times* article entitled, "Texas Methane Super Emitters."

6. **(ID # 12382)** **Communication – HON. CATHERINE F. PARKER: Reuters.com Article - "U.S. drinking water widely contaminated with 'forever chemicals':**

Forwarding a *Reuters.com* article entitled, "U.S. drinking water widely contaminated with 'forever chemicals': environment watchdog."

7. **(ID # 12402)** **Communication – HON. CATHERINE F. PARKER: Timesunion.com Article - "Carbon pricing will jump start NY's energy goals":**

Forwarding a *Timesunion.com* article entitled, "Carbon pricing will jump start NY's energy goals."

8. **(ID # 12403)** **Communication – HON. MARYJANE SHIMSKY: Journal News Article - "Vaping Crisis Ignited E-Cig, Tobacco Flavor Ban Push":**

Forwarding a *Journal News* article entitled, "Vaping Crisis Ignited E-Cig, Tobacco Flavor Ban Push."

9. **(ID # 12404)** **Communication – HON. MARYJANE SHIMSKY: Journal News Article - "Opioid Victims Can Start Purdue Pharma Claims":**

Forwarding a *Journal News* article entitled, "Opioid Victims Can Start Purdue Pharma Claims."

10. **(ID # 12405)** **Communication – HON. MARYJANE SHIMSKY: Journal News Article - "U.S. Suicide Rate Continues to Rise":**

Forwarding a *Journal News* article entitled, "U.S. Suicide Rate Continues to Rise."

11. **(ID # 12408)** **Communication – HON. DAMON R. MAHER: NYSBA Article - "In Support of Legalization of Adult Recreational Marijuana in NY":**

Forwarding a *New York State Bar Association* article entitled, "In Support of Legalization of Adult Recreational Marijuana in NY."

12. **(ID # 12409)** **Communication – HON. LYNDON D. WILLIAMS: Constituent Correspondence re: Family Leave Policy:**

Forwarding constituent correspondence regarding Family Leave Policy.

13. **(ID # 12426) Communication – HON. MARYJANE SHIMSKY: The Guardian Article - "How Juul Gets Kids Addicted to Vaping":**

Forwarding an article from *The Guardian* entitled, "How Juul Gets Kids Addicted to Vaping."

14. **(ID # 12427) Communication – HON. MARYJANE SHIMSKY: Houston Chronicle Article - "Wales Hit Hardest by New Storm":**

Forwarding a *Houston Chronicle* article entitled, "Wales Hit Hardest by New Storm."

15. **(ID # 12434) Communication – HON. DAMON R. MAHER: NYTimes Article - "A Latino Worker, a Risky Construction Site and a Family in Mourning":**

Forwarding a *New York Times* article entitled, "A Latino Worker, a Risky Construction Site and a Family in Mourning."

16. **(ID # 12437) Communication – HON. DAMON R. MAHER: LoHud.com Article - "Stop and Shop Offers Free Reusable Bags Ahead of State Ban on Carryout Plastic":**

Forwarding a *Lohud.com* article entitled, "Stop and Shop Offers Free Reusable Bags Ahead of State Ban on Carryout Plastic."

17. **(ID # 12479) Communication – HON. MARYJANE SHIMSKY: 2020 NYSAC Legislative Conf. Resolutions - Standing Committee on Public Health & Mental Health:**

Forwarding Resolutions from the 2020 NYSAC Legislative Conference - Standing Committee on Public Health & Mental Health.

18. **(ID # 12482) Communication – MARYJANE SHIMSKY: 2020 NYSAC Legislative Conf. Resolutions - Standing Committee on Economic Development, E&E:**

Forwarding Resolutions from the 2020 NYSAC Legislative Conference - Standing Committee on Economic Development, Environment & Energy.

19. **(ID # 12484) Communication – HON. MARYJANE SHIMSKY: 2020 NYSAC Legislative Conf. Resolutions - Standing Committee on Agriculture & Rural Affairs:**

Forwarding Resolutions from the 2020 NYSAC Legislative Conference - Standing Committee on Agriculture & Rural Affairs.

20. **(ID # 12485) Communication – HON. CATHERINE BORGIA: Report-"Event Inquiry: Concerns Pertaining to Gas Transmission Lines at the Indian Point":**

Forwarding a report from the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission's Office of the Inspector General entitled, "Event Inquiry: Concerns Pertaining to Gas Transmission Lines at the Indian Point Nuclear Power Plant."

21. **(ID # 12516) Communication – HON. MARYJANE SHIMSKY: Correspondence - Inadequate Handicap Signs:**

Forwarding correspondence regarding *Inadequate Handicap Signs on Bee-Line Buses*.

22. **(ID # 12518) Communication – HON. MARYJANE SHIMSKY: Hastings Resolution Opposing the Danskammer, LLC Build Out Proposal:**

Forwarding a Resolution from the Village of Hastings-on-Hudson opposing the Danskammer, LLC Build Out Proposal.

23. **(ID # 12519) Communication – HON. MARYJANE SHIMSKY: Bloomberg Green.com Article - "U.S. Army Corps Suspends Key Study of NYC Storm Protections":**

Forwarding a *Bloomberg Green* article entitled, "U.S. Army Corps Suspends Key Study of NYC Storm Protections."

24. **(ID # 12545) Communication – HON. DAMON R. MAHER: National Geographic Magazine Article - "The End of Trash":**

Forwarding a *National Geographic Magazine* article entitled, "The End of Trash."

25. **(ID # 12555) Communication – HON. DAMON R. MAHER: NYS Bar Association Journal Article - Cannabis Legalization:**

Forwarding an article from the *New York State Bar Association Journal* entitled, "Cannabis Legalization: Social Equity Provisions Are a Sticking Point and a Selling Point."

26. **(ID # 12556) Communication – HON. MARYJANE SHIMSKY: The Examiner News Article - "Pleasantville Road Area Most Polluted Part of Saw Mill River":**

Forwarding an article from *The Examiner News* entitled, "Pleasantville Road Area Most Polluted Part of Saw Mill River."

27. **(ID # 12557) Communication – HON. DAMON R. MAHER: New Yorker Magazine Article - "How South Korea Is Composting Its Way to Sustainability":**

Forwarding an article from *The New Yorker Magazine* entitled, "How South Korea Is Composting Its Way to Sustainability."

28. **(ID # 12558) Communication – HON. CATHERINE F. PARKER: Correspondence-Grassroots Environmental Education re: Rye Synthetic Turf:**

Forwarding correspondence received from Grassroots Environmental Education regarding Rye Synthetic Turf.

29. **(ID # 12579) Communication – HON. DAMON R. MAHER: LoHud Article - "Daycare centers worry they won't weather the fiscal hit from coronavirus":**

Forwarding a *LoHud* article entitled, "Daycare centers, open or not, worry they won't weather the fiscal hit from the coronavirus."

30. **(ID # 12588) Communication – HON. MARYJANE SHIMSKY: Daily Kos.com Article - "Severe Child Abuse Increases in Texas Hospital amid Coronavirus Quarantine":**

Forwarding a *Daily Kos.com* article entitled, "Severe Child Abuse Increases in Texas Hospital amid Coronavirus Quarantine."

31. **(ID # 12634) Communication – HON. DAMON MAHER: NYTimes Article - "Barr Expands Early Release of Inmates of Prisons Seeing More Coronavirus Cases":**

Forwarding a *New York Times* article entitled, "Barr Expands Early Release of Inmates of Prisons Seeing More Coronavirus Cases."

32. **(ID # 12682) Communication – HON. DAMON R. MAHER: NYTimes.com - "Save a Life From Coronavirus: Bail Someone Out of Jail Today":**

Forwarding a *NYTimes.com* article entitled, "Save a Life From Coronavirus: Bail Someone Out of Jail Today."

33. **(ID # 12693) Communication – HON. MARYJANE SHIMSKY: The Buffalo News Article - "Work-at-home could mean "greener" Buffalo even after Covid-19":**

Forwarding an article from *The Buffalo News* entitled, "Work-at-home could mean "greener" Buffalo even after Covid-19."

34. **(ID # 12737) Communication – HON. CATHERINE F. PARKER: Brookings.com Article - "The Carbon Tax Opportunity":**

Forwarding a *Brookings.com* article entitled, "The Carbon Tax Opportunity."

35. **(ID # 12754) Communication – HON. DAMON R. MAHER: Correspondence regarding Grass Roots Matching Gift Drive:**

Forwarding correspondence regarding Grass Roots Matching Gift Drive.

36. **(ID # 12755) Communication – HON. DAMON R. MAHER: Correspondence from National Nurses United - "Racism is a Public Health Crisis":**

Forwarding correspondence from *National Nurses United* entitled, "Racism is a Public Health Crisis."

37. **(ID # 12757) Communication – HON. DAMON R. MAHER: Correspondence from WesPac regarding Police Reform:**

Forwarding correspondence from WesPac regarding Police Reform.

38. **(ID # 12807) Communication – HON. MARYJANE SHIMSKY: Various Articles on Carbon Concrete Resources/Impact:**

Forwarding various articles on Carbon Concrete Resources and Carbon Impacts of Concrete.

39. **(ID # 12808) Communication – HON. MARYJANE SHIMSKY: 2020 Citizen's Water Quality Testing Program Results 6/26/20:**

Forwarding the 2020 Citizen's Water Quality Testing Program results - June 26, 2020.

40. **(ID # 12813) Communication – HON. DAMON R. MAHER: Transportation Alternatives Report - "The Case for Self-Enforcing Streets":**

Forwarding a report from *Transportation Alternatives* entitled, "The Case for Self-Enforcing Streets."

41. **(ID # 12852) Communication – HON. DAMON R. MAHER: Report - Speed Cameras vs. Red-Light Cameras:**

Forwarding a summary of research by Legislator Maher's intern, Michael Glassman, regarding speed cameras and red-light cameras.

42. **(ID # 12855) Communication – HON. DAMON R. MAHER: USA Today Article - "Coronavirus pandemic gives new momentum to bike rides, local trails across USA":**

Forwarding a *USA Today* article entitled, "Coronavirus pandemic gives new momentum to bike rides, local trails across USA."

43. **(ID # 12857) Communication – HON. MARYJANE SHIMSKY: NBC News Article - "The Holocaust survivor hoping to change American police culture":**

Forwarding an *NBC News* article entitled, "The Holocaust survivor hoping to change American police culture."

44. **(ID # 12859) Communication – HON. MARYJANE SHIMSKY: 2020 Citizens Water Quality Testing Program Results - Weeks 3-5:**

Forwarding the New York City Water Trail Association - "2020 Citizens Water Quality Testing Program" results for Weeks 3-5.

45. **(ID # 12860) Communication – HON. MARYJANE SHIMSKY: NPR Article - "Doctors and Dentists Still Flooding U.S. with Opioid Prescriptions":**

Forwarding an *NPR* article entitled, "Doctors and Dentists Still Flooding U.S. with Opioid Prescriptions."

46. **(ID # 12861) Communication – HON. MARYJANE SHIMSKY: 2020 Citizens Water Quality Testing Program Results - Weeks 5-7:**

Forwarding the New York City Water Trail Association - "2020 Citizens Water Quality Testing Program" results for Weeks 5-7.

47. **(ID # 12862) Communication – HON. MARYJANE SHIMSKY: 2020 Citizens Water Quality Testing Program Results - Weeks 6-8:**

Forwarding the New York City Water Trail Association - "2020 Citizens Water Quality Testing Program" results for Weeks 6-8.

48. **(ID # 12930) Communication – HON. NANCY E. BARR: Foodandwaterwatch.org Article - "Larchmont Passes Resolution Opposing Danskammer Fracked Gas Plant":**

Forwarding an article from *Foodandwaterwatch.org* entitled, "Larchmont Passes Resolution Opposing Danskammer Fracked Gas Plant."

49. **(ID # 12935) Communication – HON. MARYJANE SHIMSKY: NYC Water Trail Association - Water Quality Testing, Weeks 7-9:**

Forwarding the New York City Water Trail Association - "2020 Citizens' Water Quality Testing Program" Weeks 7 - 9, July 31, 2020.

50. **(ID # 12936) Communication – HON. MARYJANE SHIMSKY: NYC Water Trail Association - Water Quality Testing, Weeks 9-11:**

Forwarding the New York City Water Trail Association - "2020 Citizens' Water Quality Testing Program" Weeks 9 - 11, August 7 and 14, 2020.

51. **(ID # 12966) Communication – HON. MARYJANE SHIMSKY: The Examiner News Article - "Jacob Blake's Police Shooting Highlights the Hidden Victims":**

Forwarding an article from *The Examiner News* entitled, "Jacob Blake's Police Shooting Highlights the Hidden Victims of Police Violence."

52. **(ID # 12967) Communication – HON. MARYJANE SHIMSKY: McKinsey & Company Article - "Will Infrastructure Bend or Break under Climate Stress":**

Forwarding a case study from *McKinsey & Company* entitled, "Will Infrastructure Bend or Break under Climate Stress."

53. **(ID # 12983) Communication – HON. MARYJANE SHIMSKY: Citizens Water Quality Testing Program Report - Weeks 9 - 17:**

Forwarding the Citizens Water Quality Testing (CWQT) Program Report: Weeks 9 - 17/July 30 - September 24, 2020.

54. **(ID # 12984) Communication – HON. NANCY E. BARR: Consumer Reports Article - "Why Dangerous 'Forever Chemicals' Are Still Allowed in America's Water":**

Forwarding an article from *Consumer Reports* entitled, "Why Dangerous 'Forever Chemicals' Are Still Allowed in America's Drinking Water."

55. **(ID # 13010) Communication – HON. DAMON R. MAHER: NYS Bar Association Article - "Fighting the Scourge of Racial Injustice":**

Forwarding an article from the *New York State Bar Association* entitled, "Fighting the Scourge of Racial Injustice."

56. **(ID # 13064)** **Communication – HON. NANCY E. BARR: EWG.org Article-"Cause and Effect Link between 'Forever Chemicals' in Water and Reproductive Harms":**

Forwarding an article from *EWG.org* entitled, "Minn. Study is First to Show Cause and Effect Link Between 'Forever Chemicals' in Drinking Water and Reproductive Harms".

57. **(ID # 13065)** **Communication – HON. BENJAMIN BOYKIN: NYTimes Article - "How the Virus Slowed the Booming Wind Energy Business":**

Forwarding a *New York Times* article entitled, "How the Virus Slowed the Booming Wind Energy Business".

58. **(ID # 13090)** **Communication – HON. DAMON R. MAHER: AP Article - "Mental health workers to take lead in some NYC 911 calls":**

Forwarding an article from the *Associated Press* entitled, "Mental health workers to take lead in some NYC 911 calls"

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