



Committee on Public Works

~MINUTES~

Monday, April 15, 2019

10:05 AM

Committee Chair: MaryJane Shimsky

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

www.westchesterlegislators.com

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting jointly with the Committees on Budget & Appropriations, Public Safety and Environment, Health & Energy

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
MaryJane Shimsky	Chair	Present	
Nancy Barr	D6 Legislator	Present	
Kitley Covill	D2 Legislator	Present	
Catherine Parker	D7 Legislator (Majority Leader)	Present	
David J. Tubiolo	D14 Legislator	Present	
Benjamin Boykin	D5 Legislator (Chairman)	Present	

Others In Attendance: CEO: Commissioner Gleason, Chief Inspector McGlynn, Lieutenant McGuinness and Sargent O'Connor, WC Department of Public Safety; First Deputy Bud Nicoletti, Department of Public Works & Transportation; Budget Director Larry Soule; Deputy Medical Examiner, Alex Milovanovic & Peggy Schmidt, Department of Labs & Research; BOL: Alessandra Restiano, Tina Lomingo, Malcolm Clark & Jaevon Boxhill; GUESTS: Karen Schatzel

MINUTES APPROVAL

1. Monday, March 25, 2019 at 10:02 AM

On motion of Legislator Parker, seconded by Legislator Barr the minutes were approved 6 - 0.

2. Tuesday, April 02, 2019 at 11:00 AM

On motion of Legislator Parker, seconded by Legislator Barr the minutes were approved 6 - 0.

I. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

1. **(ID # 11739) Act – BOND ACT-BPS23-Vehicle Acquisition & Replacement:**

A BOND ACT authorizing the issuance of ONE MILLION FIVE HUNDRED SIXTEEN THOUSAND (\$1,516,000) DOLLARS in bonds of Westchester County to finance Capital Project BPS23 - Vehicle Acquisition and Replacement.

Joint with B&A and Public Safety

Guests: Commissioner Gleason, Chief Inspector McGlynn, Lieutenant McGuinness and Sargent O'Connor, Department of Public Safety and First Deputy Commissioner, Bud Nicoletti, Department of Public Works & Transportation

Commissioner Gleason, Chief Inspector McGlynn, Lieutenant McGuinness and Sargent O'Connor from the Department of Public Safety joined Deputy Commissioner Nicoletti from the Department of Public Works & Transportation and Larry Soule, Budget Director, to discuss item # 11739- Bond Act - BPS23 - Vehicle Acquisition & Replacement.

Commissioner Gleason informed the Committees that this is Bond Act that will fund the replacement of various equipment and vehicles for the Department of Public Safety for \$1,516,000. The Commissioner noted that the Department will acquire (25) patrol vehicles for \$963,600, (5) replacement unmarked vehicle for \$182,325, (2) canine vehicles for \$85,086 and accessories including (8) in-car computer/video system and other related equipment for \$284,989. The costs factor in the reduction that was made possible by the Shared Service agreement with Nassau and Suffolk Counties (which potentially enables the purchase of more vehicles for the same budget amount). The Commissioner stated that there are (40) vehicles that have an excess of 100,000 miles, which represents about 10% of the entire fleet (approximately 250 vehicles including motorcycles and specialized trucks). Discussion was held on the types of vehicles to be purchased, the use of hybrid vehicles and canine vehicles (for dogs trained in narcotics and bomb detection). The Commissioner stated that the Department is looking at hybrid cars, which in older versions weren't large enough to hold all the necessary equipment. They will be test driving cars to determine if they will fit the needs of the Department. While there is a \$3000.00 additional cost for hybrids, the mileage per gallon is considerably better and in the long run, will offset the cost as well as help the environment. In response to Legislator Cunzio's question, he stated that there are 12 canine vehicles and the problem that occurred in the past has been corrected. There was some discussion about cars that are in usable condition to be made available for small municipalities that may not have resources to buy new vehicles. Conditioned on supply of cost breakdown for equipment and conditions' ratings, with a motion by Legislator Barr and seconded by Legislator Covill the item was approved with a vote of 6-0.

RESULT:

SIGNED BY COMMITTEE

Next: 4/23/2019 7:00 PM

2. (ID # 11738) Act – BOND ACT-BLR2D-Labs & Research Equipment Acq. '16-'20:

A BOND ACT authorizing the issuance of EIGHT HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND (\$850,000) DOLLARS in bonds of Westchester County to finance Capital Project BLR2D - Labs and Research Equipment Acquisition (2016-2020).

Joint with B&A and EH&E

Guests: Deputy Medical Examiner Milovanovic and Peggy Schmidt- Department of Labs & Research and Budget Director Larry Soule

Deputy Medical Examiner Milovanovic and Peggy Schmidt from the Department of Labs & Research and Budget Director Soule came before the Committee to discuss item #11738- Bond Act BLR2D- Labs & Research Equipment Acquisition. This is capital project for \$850,000 in order to fund the replacement of equipment for the Department of Labs & Research's public health, forensic science, toxicology, environmental and medical examiners labs. The equipment will include; Environmental, 2 SPE Extractor - \$115,000; Skylar Auto analyzer - \$95,000; Spectrophotometer- \$25,000; Acid Washing Device - \$15,000; Forensic, Gas Chromatograph/ Mass Spectrometers -\$170,000; Microbiology, Solana Instrument- \$15,000; Automated Identification system- \$50,000; BD Bactec FX40 Instrument- \$40,000; Toxicology, Q Trap- \$275,000; Building, Oil-less Compressor System- \$50,000. The Department advised that this equipment is necessary for the continued health and safety of Westchester residents. Chair Borgia and Chair Shimsky of the Public

Works Committee asked the Department and the Budget director to amend the Bond Act to include the specific instruments. The item was held over until the next joint meeting so the Department can amend the Bond Act. No action was taken.

RESULT: OVERED

Next: 4/23/2019 10:01 AM

II. OTHER BUSINESS

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

III. RECEIVE & FILE

ADJOURNMENT