



Committee on Public Safety

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Monday, March 16, 2020

10:02 AM



Committee Chair: Colin Smith

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

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CALL TO ORDER

Table with 4 columns: Attendee Name, Title, Status, Arrived. Rows include Colin Smith (Chair, Remote), Nancy Barr (D6 Legislator, Present), Margaret A Cunzio (D3 Legislator, Present), Kitley Covill (D2 Legislator, Remote), Christopher Johnson (D16 Legislator, Present), MaryJane Shimsky (D12 Legislator, Remote), Benjamin Boykin (D5 Legislator, Present).

Others In Attendance: BOL: (remote) Lyndon Williams, (remote) Alfreda Williams, (remote) Ruth Walter, (remote) Catherine Parker, Catherine Borgia, Vedat Gasji, Damon Maher, David Tubiolo, Alessandra Restiano, James Silverberg, Brandon Llyod, Greg Casciato, Sarah Carbonara DOIT: Lennox Harris, Adam Etein, Koshy Prakash, Jay Jonas BUDGET: Gideon Grande FINANCE: Cesar Vargas LAW: Tami Altschiller, Michelle Greenbaum DPW/T: Hugh Greechan, Susie Ghabour, Robert Abbamont

MINUTES APPROVAL

I. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

1. (ID # 12538) Act – BOND ACT-BIT41-Radio Tower Replacements '18-'22:

A BOND ACT authorizing the issuance of TWO MILLION, FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$2,500,000) DOLLARS in bonds of Westchester County to finance Capital Project BIT41 - Radio Tower Replacements (2018-2022).

Joint with B&A and PW&T.

Guests: Deputy CIO Lennox Harris and Assistant Chief Deputy County Attorney Tami Altschiller

Deputy Chief Information Officer Lennox Harris appeared before the Committee to discuss item #12538-BOND ACT-BIT41-Radio Tower Replacements '18-'22 which will finance the cost of services and equipment needed to install a new tower, acquire and install additional antennas, carry out associated site work, relocate existing equipment, and demolish and remove a shed and towers at the Guard Hill radio site in Bedford, to be used by systems that enable fire, EMS, police, and other emergency personnel dispatch and communication. DCIO Harris advised the Committee that this Voice Radio Communications Systems project funds replacement/upgrades of tower structures, supporting infrastructure and electrical components at various tower sites throughout the County. The current request will fund the

installation of a new tower and associated work at the Guard Hill radio site in Bedford. He noted that the project will take approximately two years, subject to receiving all necessary approvals from the Federal Communications Commission.

Legislator Shimsky asked for a cost breakdown. Ms. Altschiller explained that awhile back they appeared before the Committee to discuss BIT32, which was a lease amendment and that initially the work was going to include extending the tower. They decided to change the scope of the work, and now will replace the tower instead of extending it and build a new shelter. Legislator Covill asked about the trees and landscaping. Ms Altschiller said that they are working on an agreement regarding the trees, and it will not hold up the project.

With a motion by Legislator Cunzio and seconded by Legislator Johnson the item was approved with a vote of 7-0.

RESULT: SIGNED BY COMMITTEE

II. OTHER BUSINESS

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

III. RECEIVE & FILE

1. **(ID # 12478) Communication – HON. MARYJANE SHIMSKY: 2020 NYSAC Legislative Conf. Resolutions - Standing Committee on Public Safety:**

Forwarding Resolutions from the 2020 NYSAC Legislative Conference - Standing Committee on Public Safety.

With a motion by Legislator Johnson and seconded by Legislator Barr the item below was received & filed with a vote of 7 to 0.

RESULT: RECEIVED AND FILED

2. **(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."

With a motion by Legislator Johnson and seconded by Legislator Barr the item below was received & filed with a vote of 7 to 0.

RESULT: RECEIVED AND FILED

3. **(ID # 12520) Communication – HON. MARYJANE SHIMSKY: L.A. Times Article - "Talking as a Tool to Help End Racism":**

Forwarding an L.A. Times article entitled, "Talking as a Tool to Help End Racism."

With a motion by Legislator Johnson and seconded by Legislator Barr the item below was received & filed with a vote of 7 to 0.

RESULT: RECEIVED AND FILED

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Legislator Barr and seconded by Legislator Covill the Committee adjourned at 10:33 AM.