WESTCHESTER COUNTY BOARD OF LEGISLATORS COMMITTEE ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS MEETING MINUTES NOVEMBER 9, 2009

- MEMBERS B&A: Chair: Jose Alvarado, Legislators: Jenkins, Myers, Harckham, Kaplowitz, Abinanti, Rogowsky, Burton, Spreckman
- IN ATTENDANCE: Journal News: G. McKinstry; : Budget: Arthur Vietro, Anne Reasoner; Hope Corbin; Planning: Deborah DeLong; City of Yonkers: Louis Kirven; Law: Stacey Dolgin-Kmetz; Developer of 330 Riverdale: Jon Corton; CEO's Andrew Neuman, Bill Randolph; LWVW: Karen Schatzel; Alfreda Williams

On the motion of Chair Alvarado, Budget and Appropriations was called to order at 10:19 a.m.

A354. <u>Budget Transfer – 2009 Operating Budget – DSS-MMIS:</u> Commissioner Reasoner said she had mentioned that this item would be forthcoming last month. She does not know if there will be any more I.G.T's (Intergovermental Transfers). Legislator Kaplowitz asked for the budget of the Medical Center and how much is indicated in the budget that is I.G.T's. Chair Alvarado asked for a meeting with the hospital staff. Legislator Nonna said the Litigation Sub-Committee was meeting in the afternoon to discuss the letter from Ropes and Gray concerning I.G..T's. On the motion of Legislator Burton, seconded by Legislator Harckham, the motion was carried by a vote of 8-0 (Alvarado, Rogowsky, Burton, Kaplowitz, Myers, Harckham, Spreckman, Jenkins).

On the motion of Legislator Jenkins, seconded by Legislator Kaplowitz, the minutes of October 26 were accepted.

A220. <u>Amending Act 220-2008 (330 Riverdale Avenue Affordable</u> <u>Housing Project)</u>, A221. <u>Act Amending Act 222-2008 (330 Riverdale</u> <u>Avenue Affordable Housing Project)</u>: This has been signed out of Government Operations and Legislator Jenkins explained the rational of reducing the 50 years affordability to 30 years. It involves the tax credits and funding. Individuals that are already living in the building will have the fifty year affordability. There will be 137 affordable units – one for the supervisor. Originally there were supposed to be 170 units but the size of the units was changed bringing it down to the 137. There was much discussion on families living in the building after thirty years and wanting to move into a larger apartment and would they be able to keep the affordability until fifty years. Legislator Kaplowitz made a motion, seconded by Legislator Abinanti that the term of affordability would be not less than 40 years. Legislator Abinanti requested a copy of the deed restriction of fifty years that had been filed. (It was received and sent e-mail to the Committee members.) The legislation will be rewritten and resubmitted to the Committee. Legislator Kaplowitz withdrew his motion.

A341 <u>Public Hearing Resolution Housing Stipulation (ADC</u>), A342. <u>Housing Stipulation Local Law (ADC</u>): Legislator Abinanti explained this is a policy statement which just states the facts. The language is broad. A public hearing needs to be held and this needs to be signed out by November 23. Legislator Nonna said he has not heard from the monitor as to whether or not this rewritten statement is acceptable. Legislator Burton wanted to know if changes could be made on the floor. Legislator Abinanti made a motion to sign out A341 for a public hearing, seconded by Legislator Myers and the motion was carried by a vote of 8-0 (Alvarado, Rogowsky, Burton, Harckham, Myers, Abinanti, Spreckman, Jenkins) and on the motion of Legislator Abinanti, seconded by Legislator Myers on A342 Local Law as amended (removing a colon from the third paragraph), the motion was carried by a vote of 7-1 (Alvarado, Burton, Myers, Harckham, Abinanti, Spreckman, Jenkins) Rogowsky – no.

On the motion of Legislator Kaplowitz, seconded by Legislator Burton, the Budget & Appropriations Committee was adjourned at 11:50 a.m.