

**WESTCHESTER COUNTY CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION
MINUTES**

December 5, 2013

Members in Attendance: Jeff Binder, Richard Wishnie, Alfred Gatta, Julie Killian, Derickson Lawrence, John Mattis, Anne McAndrews, Paul Meissner, David Menken, Jane Morgenstern, Bertrand Sellier, Matthew Thomas, Paul Windels, Gary Zuckerman, Dr. Ronald Volino, Steve Mayo

Absent Members Florence McCue, Guy Parisi, Vincenza Restiano, Raymond Belair, Herman Geist

County Staff in Attendance: Justin Adin, Chris Crane, Stacey Dolgin-Kmetz, Anand Singh

Commission Counsel: Lester Steinman

Commission Consultant Dr. Gerald Benjamin

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The meeting of the Westchester County Charter Revision Commission was called to order at 5:52. Chairman Wishnie thanked the commission members for coming and briefly went over the agenda for the evening.

He began by asking the members to review the minutes from the November 20, 2013 meeting for their approval. With a motion by Mr. Zuckerman, seconded by Dr. Volino the minutes were adopted unanimously.

Chairman Wishnie moved onto the final item of the evening for the vote to approve the Final Report asked for a motion. With a motion by Mr. Zuckerman, seconded by Anne McAndrews the Final Report of the Westchester County Charter Revision Commission was approved unanimously.

Mr. Binder asked about the six-month period for advisement to the Board of Legislators to which Chairman Wishnie noted that in discussions with the legislators it was the intent that a task-force be established to handle the Commission's recommendations and thanked everyone for their work.

Mr. Windels spoke next, thanking everyone for their efforts over the past eighteen months in achieving their goal in bi-partisan manner. Mr. Steinman briefly spoke about his presentation at the League of Women Voters conference he and Mr. Zuckerman attended and conveyed the support and positive feedback he received along with words of thanks to the other members and staff. Ms. McAndrews then addressed the Commission and thanked everyone for their work.

It was the general consensus that each member would continue advocating the recommendations of the Final Report in their respective municipalities. Dr. Benjamin gave his final thoughts and noted that this Commission met or exceeded the efforts of the previous commission he advised. Chairman Wishnie gave a few final thoughts and words of thanks to the Commission members and staff for their hard work and dedication during their time together. Ms. Killian also gave thanks and recommended creating a brief synopsis of the Commission's recommendations for the general public

Chairman Wishnie then asked for a motion to approve the minutes from tonight's meeting and with a motion by Mr. Mattis, seconded by Mr. Binder the minutes were unanimously adopted.

With a motion by Mr. Windels, seconded by Mr. Zuckerman the meeting of the Westchester County Charter Revision Commission was adjourned at 7:00 PM.