

WESTCHESTER COUNTY BOARD OF LEGISLATORS

COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT & ENERGY

MINUTES: December 17, 2007

MEMBERS (E&E): Chair: Abinanti; Legislators: Kaplowitz, LaMotte, Maisano, Myers.

IN ATTENDANCE: STAFF: C. Crane; GUESTS: Hon. Sy Globerman (via telephone); P. Harckham (leg.-elect); M. Meyer (NYCDEP); T. Corbitt (WCDP); M. Gleeson (Law); P. Boyle, P. Butler, F. Ott, R. Gebhardt, M. Flannery (Peach Lake Coalition); C. Manfredi (FCWC) [list of other attendees on file]

Meeting called to order at 3:17 pm.

Item(s) Discussed: E&E Item No. 69 – **East of Hudson Funds (Peach Lake)**

Chair Abinanti initiated review of the following previous committee meeting minutes: Sept. 10, 17, 24; Oct. 1, 9, 15, 22, 29; Nov. 13, 19, 26. Upon the motion of Leg. Kaplowitz, seconded by Leg. LaMotte, the Committee approved all of the meeting minutes [4-0; Maisano out]. In addition, upon the motion of Leg. Myers, seconded by Leg. LaMotte, the Committee voted to receive and file all items referred to the Committee [4-0, Maisano out].

The Committee reviewed the status of a proposal by North Salem and Southeast to form sewer districts and commence the design, construction and operation of a collection system and central wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) in the Peach Lake area to benefit residents and businesses in both towns on and near the lake. North Salem will seek allocation by Westchester County of \$10 million in East of Hudson funds to fund the project. Via a telephone connection (on speaker), Supervisor Globerman updated the Committee on the following: North Salem's issuance of notice declaring itself Lead Agency for SEQRA review, aspects of the proposed facilities in the Map, Plan and Report, and process to complete residents' petitions.

Members of the Peach Lake Coalition in attendance stressed importance of completing necessary preliminary steps in order to obtain needed funding from the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation (NYSEFC). Mr. Meyers expressed NYCDEP's support for the proposal, but noted that additional funding by NYCDEP requires further agency consideration.

Chair Abinanti adjourned the meeting at 4:00 pm.

[audio recording of meeting is on file]