

**WESTCHESTER COUNTY BOARD OF LEGISLATORS  
COMMITTEE ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS MEETING  
MINUTES OCTOBER 19, 2009**

**MEMBERS B&A:** Acting Chair: Ken Jenkins, Legislators:  
Burton, Myers, Harckham, Kaplowitz,  
Spreckman, Williams

**IN ATTENDANCE:** **DPW:** Robert Abbamont, Anthony LaCroce,  
Jeff Dean, Phil Kruck, Ralph Butler, **Planning:**  
Ed Hoffmeister, Patrick Natarelli, Jerry  
Mulligan; **Parks:** Dan McBride, Joe Stout;  
**Labs & Research:** Dr. Hyland, Dr. Ashar;  
**DEF:** Tom Lauro, Robert Giglio; **I.T.:**  
Marguerite Beirne, Michael Odestick, Kay  
Foster; **Emergency Services:** Tony Sutton;  
Peter Strauss; **CBAC, LWVW:** Barbara  
Strauss; **CEO:** Bill Randolph, Andrew  
Neuman; **DSS:** Carlos Moran; **County Clerk:**  
Tim Idoni; **DOT:** Larry Salley, Harry Stanton;  
**Intern:** Hope Corbin

The meeting was called to order by Acting Chair Ken Jenkins at  
10:20 a.m.

The meeting was a power point presentation of the 2010 Capital  
Projects Budget.

Buildings General:

B014B – Exterior Structure Repairs of the White Plains Complex  
which consists of rust removal on piping in the White Plains parking  
garage in the amount of \$750,000 for the design and construction.

B015B – Interior Infrastructure Repairs in the White Plains Parking  
Structure on 6 sets of sump pumps as well as an upgrade in the  
ventilation at the Department of Health building at 134 Court Street in  
the amount of \$775,000 for the design and construction.

B0019 Repair of the Utility Tunnels at the Valhalla Campus. The  
tunnels are 60 years old and are used for steam, hot water and data  
for the Department of Corrections and the Medical Center. Structural

repairs and water proofing are needed. The \$3,850,000 is for the design, study and structural repairs on all active tunnels and to determine whether the abandon tunnels should be removed.

B035B – Heavy Equipment Replacement Program –Two 1997 dump trucks will be replaced with two trucks that have the plowing and spreading capabilities. The amount is \$500,000.

BO42A – Roof Replacement Program at Various Locations on the Valhalla Complex. The jails annex roof is approximately 40,000 square feet and is no longer under warranty. The new roof will have higher solar reflectivity and R value insulation. The cost is \$1,550,000 for the design and construction.

B077A – Infrastructure Rehabilitation of District Offices. This is to rehabilitate the interior, exterior and site infrastructure of the Valhalla Campus and District Offices. The 2010 allocation is for funding to replace the existing boilers, chimneys, circulator pumps and accessories in the basement of the Mt. Kisco District office. The new equipment will be energy efficient and the boilers and controls will meet or exceed the NYS Building Code requirements. There will also be asbestos abatement. The cost is \$675,000 for the design and construction.

B0084 Installation of Emergency Generators in Various Locations. The funding is for lights, fire alarms, elevators, security, and boilers and meet the requirements of the National Fire Protection Code. The facilities are at 143 Grand Street, Valhalla Garage, Rockway Place Garage, Lake Street Garage, 25 Moore Avenue and 750 Washington Avenue. The allocation is \$3,960,000 for the construction.

B0085 Rehabilitation of the MOB Elevator Infrastructure. This is for the rehabilitation of five passenger and one freight elevator. The amount is \$340,000 for the design and construction of new hoists, cables and other mechanical items. NYPA is reviewing the project for green technology and energy savings.

B0086 Equipment and Control System Upgrades of the Central Heating Plant on the Valhalla Campus in the amount of \$3,300,000 for design and construction. This is the boiler plant for the Department of Corrections, WCHCC, Public Health Lab, Field Cottage and miscellaneous buildings. These buildings are used 24/7 and the equipment is at least thirty-five years old and has exceeded its useful life. The new equipment will meet current codes and standards.

B0089 Utility & Site Improvements to the Central Heating Plant, Valhalla Campus. This is for \$2,500,000 for the design and construction of an upgrade to the sewage injection system in the former Bureau of Purchase building. The existing system was installed in 1940 and served approximately fifty people and today it is serving approximately 300 people. This project will also replace the fuel oil monitoring system and cable replacement for site lighting on the campus.

B0099 MOB Bathroom Rehabilitation in White Plains. This is for \$2,760,000 for design and construction to replace the sinks, urinals and piping. There are 16 men's rooms and 10 women's. They also will have sensors to flush the toilets and flush drains.

County Clerk:

BCC04 for Equipment Acquisition in the amount of \$975,000 in the land records department.

Emergency Services:

BFT05 – Fire Training Center Strip Mall Live Burn Building. The Board of Legislators has already approved the design of this building. It enables firefighters to actually experience a burning building in a strip mall. The amount is \$5,960,000.

IT:

BIT3A to Replace 1203 Personal Computers. This is part of the upgrade to replace 25% each year. The amount is \$960,000.

BIT6A to Purchase Computer Equipment in Three Categories – large servers and data storage, departmental servers and shared services. Scanners will be purchased for some departments that require high speed scanners. This will amount of \$500,000

BIT17 - Network Infrastructure Upgrade in the amount of \$500,000. This is a routine upgrade of network components.

BIT24 – County Real Estate One Stop The amount is \$245,000 to document County owned assets.

Property Acquisition:

BLA01 Westchester Legacy Program in the amount of \$5,000,000. This is for open space preservation.

Labs & Research:

BLR2B For the Purchase of Equipment in the amount of \$825,000. Several pieces of equipment are obsolete and need to be replaced.

Planning:

Affordable Housing :

BPL01 Housing Implementation Fund in the amount of \$5,000,000. Municipalities apply to the County for funding and so far from this fund we have approved 1659 affordable units throughout Westchester.

BPL10 New Homes Land Acquisition for \$5,000,000. This funds the purchase of real property to be developed for fair and affordable housing. So far 1165 affordable units have been funded through this project. There are an additional 800 units under consideration.

BPL2B Capital Planning Studies in the amount of \$250,000. This is to be used for long range plans.

BPL03 for Site Improvements in Various Facilities in the amount of \$500,000. this is for health and safety improvements at existing buildings and campuses.

BPL23 Stormwater Management at Various Facilities in the amount of \$400,000 for design and construction. This is to reduce the quantity of stormwater and to comply with DEF and DOT.

Social Services:

BSS12 – Infrastructure Improvements to Shelter Facilities, Various Locations – requesting \$650,000 for design and construction. This is for the replacement of two rooftop units at Woodfield Cottage which were installed in 1987. The return fans and heating coils will also be replaced. This will be reviewed by NYPA for energy efficiency and maximize savings.

Corrections:

BCR5B Infrastructure Improvements in the amount of \$750,000 for design and construction. This will address at the correctional complex asbestos abatement, elevator renovation, fire safety, plumbing, HVAC, fencing and electrical system upgrades.

BCR49 – Road System in the amount of \$1,530,000 for design, construction, and construction management of the interior road system.

Parkways, Roads & Bridges:

All the County roads undergo a periodic pavement inspection and are issued a Pavement Condition Rating or Index (PCI):

- 0-40 – Total Reconstruction
- 41-60 – Structural Rehabilitation
- 61-70 – Corrective Maintenance
- 71-90 – Preventive Maintenance
- 91-100 – No action required

Bridges are inspected bi-annually by the NYS Department of Transportation.

Bridge Condition Rating:

- 1 – Potentially hazardous
- 2 – Used to shade between 1 and 3
- 3 – Serious deterioration
- 4 – Used to shade between 3 and 5
- 5 – Minor deterioration
- 6 – Used to shade between 5 and 7
- 7 – New condition

Parkways:

P0022 Northbound BRP Access Ramp at Elm Street in Tuckahoe \$2,650,000 for design and construction. It would be replaced with a precast arch system.

Bridges:

In 2010, DPW will replace the wearing surface of all bridges, structural steel, bearings, abutments, concrete fascias, painting and

improvements along the river banks to improve the storm water quality. This would include:

RB2KK Warburton Avenue over Factory Lane in Hastings for \$8,100,000 for construction.

RB2YY Old Post Road (North Street) over Playland Parkway, Rye in the amount of \$1,820,000 for design and construction.

RB03C June Road (Route 124) over Titicus River in North Salem in the amount of \$670,000 for design and construction.

#### Roads:

In 2010, DPW will do asphalt milling and resurfacing, replacement of damaged concrete curbing and installation of reflector pavement markings and signs on eleven road projects. They are:

RB097 Weaver Street, CR129, New Rochelle/Scarsdale in the amount of \$1,020,000 for construction.

RB107 North Street, CR30, CR30A, in White Plains in the amount of \$3,655,000 for construction.

RB108 North Broad, CR87 in White Plains in the amount of \$2,080,000 for construction.

RB110 West Main Street, CR 251, in Peekskill in the amount of \$475,000 for design and construction.

RB111 North Division Street, CR6311 Peekskill, in the amount of \$400,000 for design and construction.

RB117 Mill Road, CR82, Eastchester/New Rochelle in the amount of \$830,000 for design and construction.

RB122 West Lake Drive, CR 144, in Mt. Pleasant in the amount of \$990,000 for design and construction.

RB123 Playland Parkway Access Road, CR 147 in Rye in the amount of \$400,000 for design and construction.

RB124 North Street and Hammond Road, CR73, in Harrison/Rye in the amount of \$2,430,000 for design and construction.

RB127 Ft. Hill Road, CR142, Yonkers in the amount of \$705,000 for design and construction.

RB128 Pleasantville Road, CR 4011 and 106, in Briarcliff, Mt. Pleasant, Pleasantville in the amount of \$520,000 for design.

Recreational Facilities:

RBM04 Blue Mt. Reservation Building Rehabilitation in the amount of \$460,000 for design. The original structures date from 1930. The buildings involved are the park office, trail lodge and woodland shelters. The windows will be replaced, the roofs, doors, floors and walls. Energy efficient products will be used in consultation with NYPA.

RCC04 County Center Interior Rehabilitation and Systems Upgrade in the amount of \$1,620,000 for construction. The balcony seating will be replaced as well as the portable basketball floor which is over twenty-five years old.

RCC10 County Center Site Work in the amount of \$685,000 for design of the property adjacent to the building and work on the South lot which is directly across the street from the Center. There will be improved lighting, drainage, resurfacing of the lot and walkways and installation of a new ticket booth. This will also include a storage facility in the rear of the building.

RGP02 PRC-AC Equipment Replacement in the amount of \$210,000 for design of the replacement of the air conditioning systems in a number of facilities. This is based on a survey done by Parks and Public Works. Energy efficient equipment using less electricity will be used.

RGP03 General Infrastructure Chemical Storage Buildings is requesting \$700,000 for the design. DEC requires proper storage of hazardous materials at the County golf courses and swimming pools.

RGP08 General Infrastructures Vehicle Replacement in the amount of \$1,000,000. Obsolete vehicles that will be replaced are pick-up trucks, sanitation, construction and utility vehicles and large mowers and tractors.

RGI11 General Infrastructure Parks, Bridges and Dams in the amount of \$500,000 for design and repairs. It includes Woodlands Lake Dam at Macy Park, Twin Lakes Dam and the Dam at Pocantico Lakes Park.

RGI12 General Infrastructure Paving and Resurfacing in the amount of \$1,200,000 for design and construction. This will include resurfacing of the roads at Croton Point Park and Read Sanctuary as well as stormwater management and water quality and control runoff.

RGIP5 General Infrastructure Roof Replacement and Repair in the amount of \$300,000 for design and construction. The roofs involved are over twenty years old. They include Michigan Road storage barn at Ward Pound Ridge, the picnic pavilions at Georges' Island, the club house at Maple Moor golf course, the maintenance building at Mt. Lakes Park and the pavilion at Macy Park. They will all be energy efficient and NYPA will be consulted.

RGIP7 General Infrastructure Active Recreation Areas, in the amount of \$325,000 for the design of Ridge Road Park. This will include the rehabilitation of the picnic shelters, upgrading the water and electrical services in the shelters, resurfacing the park roads and the parking areas, re-establishing the lawn areas, drainage, new pathways and associated site work.

RG103 Glen Island Bridge Rehabilitation in the amount of \$420,000 for design. This is for the structural repair of the drawbridge including the locking and safety system.

RKD02 Kensico Plaza Storage Building in the amount of \$150,000 for the design of a new maintenance and storage facility.

RMI01 Marshlands Building Renovation in the amount of \$685,000 for the design. This is for the renovation of the buildings at the park.

RMS01 Merestead Site Development which is for \$530,000 for the design of the main house and related structures. The project is to make the site safe for public use and ADA accessible including the walkways and resurfacing the entrance road.

RMUS6 Muscoot Building Restoration in the amount of \$350,000 for design. This is to restore the main house, the carpentry shed and the storage barn.

RSP02 Sprain Ridge Pool Modernization in the amount of \$8,800,000 for construction. There are four pools involved and they all have failing infrastructure. The replacement will be more energy efficient.

RTB05 Tibbetts Brook Park Infrastructure in the amount of \$575,000 for the design which will consist of the expansion of the existing parking areas, rehabilitation of the tennis courts, playground and drainage.

RWPR1 Ward Pound Ridge Buildings requesting \$450,000 for the design to renovate the maintenance garage, the lean-to's and the storage barn.

RWPR3 Ward Pound Ridge Reservation site work in the amount of \$300,000 for the design of the roadway infrastructure and storm

water management system, underground electric service and a communication system to connect all the structures.

RWW02 Willson's Woods Pool modernization in the amount of \$5,000,000 for the construction of additional water slides, splash pools, roof repair of the bathhouse, upgrade to the electric system and rehabilitate the rest rooms and the showers.

RWW03 Willson's Woods site work in the amount of \$400,000 for the design. This is for additional parking, expansion of the existing maintenance building and a new restroom building.

#### Playland:

RPO2A Ice Casino Improvements is requesting \$3,000,000 construction for a newly designed rink and chilling and air handling system.

RPO25 Playland Shoreline Rehabilitation is requesting \$1,000,000 for construction. This is the first of four phases to replace the wooden decking on the boardwalk and the wooden undercarriage.

RP033 Fire Suppression System in the amount of \$850,000 for design and construction which is the final phase of the rehabilitation of the sprinkler and fire suppression system throughout the park to meet the current fire code requirements.

#### Transportation:

T009F Paratransit Vehicles. The vehicles have a four year life cycle. This project would replace 17 vans that accommodate 6 passengers and are fully wheelchair and ambulatory accessible. This project is eligible for 100 percent state funding.

T0030 Bus Stop Enhancements requesting \$100,000 for the design and funding. This would provide benches, shelters, curb cuts and sidewalks at the County bus stops. The project would be eligible for 80 percent Federal funding.

T0040 Transit Security Program requesting \$400,000 for the design and construction of the access ramp to the satellite bus garage on the Grassland campus. Currently there is a three vehicle access ramp and this would be reduced to one. Access control and a security booth would be installed as well as exterior lighting and fencing. This would be eligible for 80 percent Federal funding.

T0041 Central Avenue Corridor Improvement Program. Traffic signals in White Plains and Greenburgh would be replaced and a one

mile bus only lane on the existing shoulders in Yonkers would be installed. This money would come from the state multi modal fund grant that was awarded in 2009 at the 100 percent level.

T0043 Para-transit Garage is requesting \$100,000 for a study to determine whether the County should have their own garage for the Para-transit vehicles. Presently the vehicles are garaged in a rented facility. The cost of the study is eligible for 80 percent Federal funds.

#### Airport:

A002A Airport Approach Protection \$50,000 for construction. This project would trim and cut trees where necessary off site where problems exist and the affected sites would have new plantings. The airport would receive Federal grants amounting to 90 percent of the total cost.

A042B Stormwater Management Program in the amount of \$300,000 for the design and construction. This pertains to the flow of water into the Blind Brook watershed after a heavy rain. 90 percent of the project is eligible for funding from the Federal Government.

A0063 Drainage/Safety Improvements in the amount of \$60,000 for design. Most of the Blind Brook is in a culvert under the airport but there is 450 feet of the Brook that is open in a deep gully near taxi way L and is a safety hazard. This would be for a preliminary design and environmental review about elevating the rim in the open area and stabilizing the embankment. Initially the project will be funded with airport revenue and then they will be eligible for a Federal grant of 90 percent.

A066B Miscellaneous Restoration Repairs in the amount of \$250,000. This is to modernize the airport's domestic water circulation system and main water supply near Purchase Street. This is fully funded with airport revenue.

A0071 Airport Planning Studies in the amount of \$350,000 which is to survey land mapping of the wetlands on the 700 acre airport. This is fully funded with airport revenue.

A083A Terminal System Upgrade \$2,500,000 is needed for design and construction. Since 2001 the number of passengers using the airport has doubled and floor space has declined due to federal security facilities. This project would enclose the 2400 square foot open deck and move offices on the first floor to the third and the

lounge would then be expanded by using the previous office space. This is fully funded with airport revenue.

A0086 Sewer Line Replacement Program in the amount of \$250,000. This is an ongoing project to replace the underground clay sewer pipes with piping that meet the current environmental standards. This is near Hangar E. It would be fully funded with airport revenue.

A095A Perimeter Intrusion Detection System in the amount of \$50,000 for construction. This would replace obsolete components and upgrade the data system to current standards. Federal grants will pay 90 percent of the total cost.

A095B In line Baggage Screening Facility design and construction. A new baggage screening site will be built north of the terminal with the passenger utility charges paying 100 percent of the cost.

A0096 Aircraft Rescue Firefighter Road Rehabilitation in the amount of \$100,000 for design and construction. This is an ongoing project maintaining the interior roadway for emergency and service vehicles. The area is the south end of the main runway and will be funded with 90% of federal money.

A0106 Runway 11/29 Rehabilitation requesting \$25,000 for a study. This is a secondary runway that handles 15 percent of the take offs and landings. The runway needs a major surface rehabilitation and they expect that 90 percent of federal money will be available.

A0107 Airfield Signage Replacement. Fifty thousand dollars is requested for design and construction. These are the signs on the runways that are used by the pilots. Federal grants would pay 90% of the cost.

A0112 Taxiway Safety Feasibility Study requesting \$25,000 for a study. The FAA Air traffic Controllers have requested a study of the main runway exit ramp.

#### Refuse Disposal:

RD004 Sprout Brook Cell Closure requiring \$6,170,000 for the construction of the final capping of successive cells at Sprout Brook. Once this is completed, no more ash will be accepted.

RD013 Haulage Vehicles Phase 4 \$1,200,000 is needed to replace aging haulage vehicles, bulldozers, containers, and miscellaneous equipment that use the solid waste facilities and operations.

Sewer and Water Districts:

Pump Station Rehabilitation:

SH075 Hutchinson SSD in the amount of \$2,300,000 for construction.

SMO75 Mamaroneck SSD in the amount of \$1,500,000 for design and construction.

SNR75 New Rochelle SSD \$2,090,000 for construction.

SPK08 Peekskill SSD \$1,241,000 for construction.

The pump stations are over 50 years old and need to be rehabilitated. This project will replace the mechanical, electrical, HVAC equipment and also equip the stations with remote monitoring. The Pump stations are the Hutchinson in the Hutchinson District, West Basin and Edgewater Point in Mamaroneck, Magnolia in New Rochelle and Highland Avenue at Peekskill Waste Water Treatment Plant.

SNY20 Relocation of Hastings Forcemain at a cost of \$315,000 for construction. The Metro North Railroad platform has expanded and it is very difficult to repair the forcemain should it be necessary.

SPC11 Roof Replacements at the Port Chester WWTP in the amount of \$105,000 for design and construction.

SYO30 for Roof replacements at the Yonkers WWTP in the amount of \$765,000 for design and construction. The roofs and expansion joints are old and are in need of repair and replacement.

SPK12 Mechanical Sludge Handling Upgrades at the Peekskill WWTP in the amount of \$1,725,000 for construction. This is to replace the plant components that are old.

SPK14 Secondary Process & Heating System Upgrades at the Peekskill WWTP in the amount of \$6,600,000 for construction. This is for replacement and upgrading of the aeration, digester and heating areas of the plant.

SY009 Odor Control & HVAC Upgrades at the Yonkers Joint WWTP with a request for \$151,000 for design. This would apply to the blower and administration buildings.

SY018 Sluice Gate Replacement at the Yonkers Joint WWTP in the amount of \$4,000,000 for construction.

SYO24 Secondary System Rehabilitation at the Yonkers Joint WWTP with a request of \$1,292,000 for the design. The equipment is over 30 years old.

SYO37 Bulkhead Rehabilitation at the Yonkers Joint WWTP with a request for \$4,000,000 for construction. The bulkhead was installed

in 1971. There is corrosion on the bulkhead and there is a need to protect the plant and shoreline from erosion.

SY085 Sewer System Rehabilitation at the Yonkers Joint WWTP in the amount of \$5,000,000. There are over 200 miles of trunk lines that have to be maintained and this will also include manhole rehabilitation.

SWO20 Forcemain Replacement at Various Locations in the amount of \$420,000 for a study. There are 47 existing forcemains that need to be looked at to determine if they need to be replaced or repaired.

This completed the power point presentation. There were several items that were not included in the Power Point. They were:

SPK80 Total Residual Chlorine Reduction Peekskill WWTP in the amount of \$4,583,000 for construction of a new ultraviolet disinfection facility.

SPS05 Pump Station Upgrades at the North Yonkers Pump Station in the amount of \$1,100,000 for Design and Construction Management. This project will provide additional funding for the installation of 3 new bar screens, replacement of the front entrance stairs and miscellaneous structural concrete repairs.

SOS06 Structural Repairs to the Chlorine Contact Tank at the Ossining WWTP in the amount of \$1,000,000 for construction.

SOS80 Total Residual Chlorine Reduction Project at the Ossining WWTP in the amount of \$1,600,000 for construction of a new dechlorination facilities.

BIT8A Financial Systems Review in the amount of \$2,000,000 for upgrades to the County's Human Resources, Financial and Budget Prep IT systems.

This completed the Capital Projects presentation. Legislator Kaplowitz pointed out numerous typographical/spelling errors. He had numerous questions but decided to wait until the item came before Budget & Appropriations.

On the motion of Legislator Harckham, seconded by Legislator Kaplowitz, the Budget and Appropriations Committee was adjourned at 12:01 p.m.