

# WESTCHESTER COUNTY BOARD OF LEGISLATORS

## COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT & ENERGY

**MINUTES: April 13, 2009**

MEMBERS (E&E): Chair: Abinanti; Legislators: Harckham, Kaplowitz, Myers, Nonna, Rogowsky

IN ATTENDANCE: STAFF: C. Crane; GUESTS: A. Neuman, B. Randolph (CEO); Comm'r. J. Mulligan, R. Doscher (Planning Dept); S. Leifer (airport advisory bd.), M. Wallach [list of other attendees is on file]

Meeting called to order at 3:55 pm.

Item(s) Discussed: **Flood Mitigation Project – Mamaroneck & Sheldrake River Basins**

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Chair Abinanti opened the meeting with discussion on proposed legislation authorizing the county to participate in a General Reevaluation Report (GRR) for the Mamaroneck and Sheldrake Rivers Basin. Commissioner Mulligan described the proposed project and authorizing legislation. Under the proposed legislation, the Army Corps of Engineers would conduct a 30-month re-evaluation of the alternative solutions to reduce flooding in Mamaroneck Village and surrounding areas. New York State, through NYSDEC, would participate as the non-federal partner in the study, and the County and New York would each contribute 12.5% of the total cost (approx. \$768,875). The proposed legislation seeks a capital budget amendment and county financing in the amount of \$900,000. The Committee then discussed in general various issues of county participation in flood management.

Leg. Nonna proposed that the Committee meet in two weeks with the Flood Action Task Force and to also consider Leg. Abinanti's proposed flood control legislation. Upon the motion of Leg. Nonna, seconded by Leg. Kaplowitz, the Committee approved the motion (all in favor). Upon the motion of Leg. Myers, seconded by Leg. Harckham, the Committee approved the proposed legislation (all in favor, Leg. Kaplowitz without prejudice).

Upon the motion of Leg. Myers, seconded by Leg. Harckham, the Committee voted to adjourn the meeting (all in favor). The meeting ended at approximately 5:15 pm.

[audio recording of the meeting is on file]