

**WESTCHESTER COUNTY BOARD OF LEGISLATORS
COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS
May 27, 2008—1:00 pm
MEETING AGENDA**

Committee Members: Leg. Ken Jenkins, Chair; Leg. Lois Bronz, Leg. Gordon Burrows, Leg. William Burton, Leg. Peter Harckham, Leg. Judy Myers, Leg. Vito Pinto, Leg. Martin Rogowsky, Leg. Bernice Spreckman. Committee Coordinators: Barbara Dodds, Sally Schecter.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

Update on River Ridge Riding Stables – Commissioner Joe Stout
Update on Golf Courses
Sewer District Modification - #68, #102, #106, #127

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

ITEMS TO BE RECEIVED AND FILED:

REFERRALS:

16. **HON. THOMAS ABINANTI: Affordable Housing:** Correspondence regarding a proposal for changing County policy to set aside housing units for people with special needs. 1/22/08 **GO**
18. **HON. THOMAS ABINANTI: Airport Deicing Project:** Forwarding an update of the SEQR process for the County Airport Deicing Project: Scoping Process. 1/22/08 **GO/E&E**
19. **HON. THOMAS ABINANTI: Scoping of Airport Deicing:** Forwarding comments regarding the SEQR Scoping for the Airport Deicing Facility Improvement Project. 1/22/08 **GO/E&E**
20. **HON. THOMAS ABINANTI: Saw Mill River Pkwy Exit 21E:** Forwarding correspondence regarding traffic problems at Exit 21E off the Saw Mill River Parkway. 1/22/08 **GO**
21. **HON. THOMAS ABINANTI: Job Sharing Program:** Proposed Act establishing a Job Sharing Program that allows two County employees to voluntarily share duties of one full-time position. 1/22/08 **GO & LEG**
22. **HON. MICHAEL KAPLOWITZ-Gomer Street Sewer Dist:** Forwarding an application from the Town of Yorktown to establish the Gomer Street Sewer District. (Map on File) 1/22/08 **BA/GO**
30. **Bond Act B0071-Modifications to Building Management Systems:** Proposed Act authorizing the issuance of up to \$1,100,000 in bonds to finance Capital Project B0071-Modifications to Building Management Systems. 2/11/08 **BA & GO**
33. **HON. LOIS BRONZ: Housing Land Trust:** Forwarding correspondence with regard to the Westchester Housing Land Trust. 2/11/08 **GO**

34. (SI) **HON THOMAS ABINANTI: Reconstruction/Replacement of Crane Road Bridge:** Forwarding correspondence from the Planning Department with regard to the establishment of lead agency for the reconstruction/replacement of the Crane Road Bridge. 2/11/08 **EE/GO**

35. (SI) **Bond Act- SW070 Yonkers Flow Monitoring-\$1,450,000:** Proposed Bond Act authorizing the issuance of \$1,450,000 in bonds to pay the cost of monitoring, maintenance and replacement, as needed, of Existing Flow Monitoring Equipment, Yonkers Sewer District. (SW070) 2/11/08 **BA/GO**

36. (SI) **Bond Act-SW070 Sound Shore Flow Monitoring-\$5,700,000:** Proposed Bond Act authorizing the issuance \$5,700,000 in bonds of the purchase and installation of flow monitoring devices in the manholes in Blind Brook, Port Chester, Mamaroneck, and New Rochelle Sewer Districts. (SW070) 2/11/08 **BA/GO**

- 50. **HON. GEORGE OROS: Voting Machines:** Forwarding an article with regard to voting machines. (3/11/08 GO) R&F

51. **HON. PETER HARCKHAM: WRO Mortgage Program:** Forwarding a copy of Westchester Residential Opportunities Inc. (WRO)'s request for funding for mortgage default crisis and volunteer project with Westchester County Bar Association Pro Bono Committee. (3/11/08 BA/GO)

52. **HON. PETER HARCKHAM: Hawthorne Manhole:** Requesting the committee on Government Operations facilitate a meeting between the members of the septic pumping industry and Department of Environmental Facilities Commissioner Thomas Lauro. (3/11/08 GO) Meeting held 5/12/08

53. **HON. PETER HARCKHAM: Opposition to Governor's Budget Bill:** Forwarding correspondence from the Westchester County Association of Tax Receivers and Collectors in opposition to the 2008 Governor's Budget Bill, Part T. (3/11/08 GO/LEG)

54. **HON. THOMAS ABINANTI: Relocation of Board or Elections:** Forwarding correspondence from the Town of Greenburgh with regard to the relocation of the Board of Elections. (3/11/08 BA/GO)

55. (SI) **HON. THOMAS ABINANTI: Ashford Avenue Bridge Project:** Forwarding a copy of his memo to the County Executive requesting the County create a website with information regarding the Ashford Avenue Bridge project. (3/11/08 GO)

- 57. (SI) **HON. WILLIAM RYAN: 450 Saw Mill River Road:** Forwarding a copy of a letter from the Ardsley Union Free School District Board with regard to the impact on the Ardsley School District from the proposed purchase of 450 Saw Mill River Road. (3/11/08 BA/GO) R&F

58. (SI) **HON. WILLIAM RYAN: Westchester County Land Trust:** Forwarding a copy of his letter to the County Executive with regard to information the Board had previously requested and is waiting to receive with regard to the Westchester County Land Trust. (3/11/08 BA/GO/CS)

63. **HON. WILLIAM RYAN: Chappaqua Crossing::** Forwarding a copy of the SEQRA-DEIS Scoping Document for Chappaqua Crossing Project in Chappaqua, New York. (3/25/08 GO) R&F

- 64. **HON. WILLIAM RYAN: Fair Housing Board::** Forwarding correspondence from the Westchester County Board of Realtors supporting the enactment of the Westchester

County Fair Housing Board. (3/25/08 LEG/GO) R&F

- **65. HON. WILLIAM RYAN: Rent Guidelines Board:** Forwarding notice of the next public meeting of the Westchester County Rent Guidelines Board. (3/25/08 GO) R&F

68. HON. KEN JENKINS: Sewer District Modification: Forwarding a packet of information from the Town of Cortlandt requesting the reinstatement of a designated parcel into the Peekskill Sanitary Sewer District. (Willow Place, Cortlandt) (B&A/GO 4/7/08)

69. HON. PETER HARCKHAM: Lewisboro Lakes: Forwarding correspondence from the Lewisboro Lakes Committee with regard to the health and quality of the lakes in Lewisboro. (B&A/GO 4/7/08)

- **70. HON. WILLIAM RYAN: Home Improvement Program:** Forwarding correspondence from the Housing Action Council, Inc. with regard to its proposal to the New York State Affordable Housing Corp. for a \$300,000 grant to continue and expand its comprehensive Home Improvement Program. (B&A/GO 4/7/08) R&F

71. HON. BERNICE SPRECKMAN, HON. GORDON BURROWS, HON. JOSE ALVARADO & HON. KEN JENKINS: Yonkers Sewage Treatment Plant: Forwarding Yonkers City Resolution 53-2008 opposing any law, regulation or practice which will allow any additional sewage dumping privileges or the diversion of any sewage from up-county into the Yonkers Sewage Treatment Plant. (GO 4/7/08)

72. HON. WILLIAM RYAN: Playland Masonry Towers: Forwarding a copy of the Evaluation of Conditions and Recommendations for Action on the Masonry Towers, Gates and Related Components at Playland. (B&A/GO 4/7/08)

73. HON. LOIS BRONZ: Alcoholic Advertising at Airport: Forwarding correspondence from D. Bertoline & Sons, Inc. with regard to alcoholic advertising at Westchester County Airport. (GO 4/7/08)

- **74. (SI) HON. THOMAS ABINANTI: Central Avenue Parking:** Forwarding correspondence from the Supervisor of the Town of Greenburgh encouraging the county to lease space at various locations around Central Avenue for commuters, and to pass the costs on to commuters. (B&A/GO 4/7/08)

75. (SI) HON. THOMAS ABINANTI: Federal Election Reform: Forwarding a NACo Fact Sheet with regard to federal legislation to amend the Help America Vote Act. (LEG/GO 4/7/08)

76. (SI) HON. KEN JENKINS: Citizens Advisory Council on Sewage Treatment: Forwarding a proposed resolution to create a Legislative "Citizens Advisory Council on Sewage Treatment" (CACST). (GO 4/7/08)

77. Bond Act B0072-Rehabilitaiton-Passenger Elevators: Proposed Act authorizing the issuance of up to \$1,200,000 in bonds to finance Capital Project B0072, Rehabilitation-Passenger Elevators, 112 East Post Road. (B&A/GO 4/28/08)

78. Water Meter Pit /Backflow Prevention Device: Proposed Act authorizing the County to acquire a permanent easement from the Town of Greenburgh to allow the County to install and maintain a water meter pit and backflow prevention device on Town property. (B&A/GO 4/28/08)

79. IMA's- Surplus Transit Vehicles: Proposed Act authorizing the County to enter into intermunicipal agreements with Westchester County municipal corporations and agencies whereby the County shall transfer ownership of certain vehicles that have been retired from

service in the Bee-Line Bus System to the municipalities. (B&A/GO 4/28/08)

81. **Bond Act-B015B Interior Infrastructure Repairs, White Plains Complex:** Proposed Act authorizing the issuance of \$110,000 in bonds for Capital Project B015B-Interior Infrastructure Repairs, White Plains Complex. (B&A/GO 4/28/08)
82. **Bond Act B042A-Roof Replacement Program, Various Locations:** Proposed Act authorizing the issuance of \$1,550,000 in bonds for Capital Project B042A-Roof Replacement Program, various locations. (B&A/GO 4/28/08)
84. **(SI) Airport-Grant Agreements (A002A):** Proposed Act authorizing the County to enter into grant agreements with the United States of America, acting through the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and the State of New York , acting by and through its Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) for A002A Airport Approach Protection. (B&A/GO 4/28/08)
85. **(SI) Capital Budget Amendment-Airport Approach Protection (A002A):** Proposed Act amending the County 2008 Capital Budget by amending financing plan for Capital Project Airport Approach Protection (A002A). (B&A/GO 4/28/08)
86. **(SI) Airport Grant Agreements-(A056B-Heavy Equipment Acquisition):** Proposed Act authorizing the County to enter into grant agreements with the United States of America, acting through the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and the State of New York, acting by and through its Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) for A056B Heavy Equipment Acquisition. (B&A/GO 4/28/08)
87. **(SI) Environmental Resolution- A0083-Terminal System Upgrade:** Proposed Resolution determining that there will be no significant adverse impact on the environment from the amendment of the County 2008 Capital Budget for A0083 Terminal System Upgrade to reflect an increase in appropriations of \$4,000,000. (B&A/GO 4/28/08)
88. **(SI) Capital Budget Amendment-(A0083-Terminal System Upgrade):** Proposed Act amending the County 2008 Capital Budget by increasing the appropriations for Capital Project A0083 Terminal System Upgrade. (B&A/GO 4/28/08)
89. **(SI) Airport Grant Agreements-(A0095 Security Master Plan Implementation):** Proposed Act authorizing the County to enter into grant agreements with United States of America, acting through the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), and the State of New York, acting by and through its Department of Transportation for A0095 Security Master Plan Implementation. (B&A/GO 4/28/08)
90. **(SI) Capital Budget Amendment-Airport (A0095-Security Master Plan Implementation):** Proposed Act amending the County 2008 Capital Budget by amending the financing plan For Capital project A0095-Security Master Plan Implementation. (B&A/GO 4/28/08)
91. **(SI) Environmental Resolution-A0096-Aircraft Rescue Firefighter ("ARFF") Road Rehabilitation:** Proposed Resolution determining that there will be no significant adverse impact on the environment from the authorization of the County to enter into grant agreements totaling approximately \$1,706,250 to accept currently available funds for A0096 Aircraft Rescue Firefighter ("ARFF") Road Rehabilitation. (B&A/GO 4/28/08)
92. **(SI) Airport Grant Agreements-(A0096 Aircraft Rescue Firefighter Road Rehabilitation):** Proposed Act authorizing the County to enter into grant agreements with the United States of America, acting through the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), and the State of New York, acting by and through its Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) for A0096 Aircraft Rescue Firefighter ("ARFF") Road Rehabilitation. (B&A/GO 4/28/08)

93. **(SI) Airport Grant Agreements-(A0109- Electrification of Ground Service Vehicles):** Proposed Act authorizing the County to enter into grant agreements with the United States of America, acting through the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), and the State of New York, acting by and through its Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) for A0109 electrification of Ground Service Vehicles. (B&A/GO 4/28/08)
94. **(SI) Capital Budget Amendment-(A0109- Electrification of Ground Service Vehicles):** Proposed Act amending the County 2008 Capital Budget by amending the financing plan for Capital Project A0109-Electrification of Ground Service Vehicles. (B&A/GO 4/28/08)
95. **(SI) Bond Act-(A0109-Electric Ground Service Vehicles):** Proposed Bond Act to finance the cost of acquisition of electric ground service vehicles and related equipment for the Airport (A0109). (B&A/GO 4/28/08)
96. **(SI) Airport Grant Agreements-(A0110 Diesel Retrofit Program):** Proposed Act authorizing the County to enter into grant agreements with the United States of America, acting through the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), and the State of New York, acting by and through its Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) for A0110 Diesel Retrofit Program. (B&A/GO 4/28/08)
97. **(SI) Capital Project Amendment-(A0110-Diesel Retrofit Program):** Proposed Act amending the County 2008 Capital Budget by amending the financing for Capital Project A0110-Diesel Retrofit Program. (B&A/GO 4/28/08)
98. **Retention of Outside Counsel:** Proposed Act authorizing the County to retain, at County expense, the law firm of Kaplan Kirsch & Rockwell LLP for the provision of outside counsel services in connection with various legal issues related to the Westchester County Airport for a one (1) year term commencing on June 1, 2008 for an amount not to exceed \$100,000. (B&A/GO 4/28/08)
99. **HON. WILLIAM RYAN: Monument Maintenance:** Forwarding correspondence from sculptor Milton Sherrill with regard to maintenance of the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Monument. (B&A/GO 4/28/08)
100. **HON. MARTIN ROGOWSKY: Long Island Sound:** Forwarding a Village of Port Chester Resolution requesting the Westchester County Board of Legislators take immediate efforts to lobby Federal and State agencies to ensure funding sources other than the Port Chester taxpayers to address the regional goals of enhancing water quality in the Long Island Sound. (B&A/GO 4/28/08)
101. **HON. THOMAS ABINANTI: Westchester County Land Trust:** Forwarding correspondence from the Community Housing Management Corp. with regard to the creation of the Westchester County Land Trust. . (B&A/GO 4/28/08)
102. **HON. JOHN NONNA: Sewer District Modification:** Forwarding a request from the Town of Mt. Pleasant with regard to removing a parcel from the Saw Mill Sewer District (311 Bear Ridge Road, Pleasantville). (B&A/GO 4/28/08)
103. **(SI) HON. THOMAS ABINANTI: Parking on Central Avenue:** Forwarding constituent correspondence in support of leasing some spots on Central Avenue to encourage commuters to take the bus. (GO 4/28/08)
104. **(SI) HON. THOMAS ABINANTI: Election Inspector Recruitment:** Forwarding correspondence from the Westchester County Board of Elections Commissioners with regard to the proposed legislation addressing the critical issue of election inspector recruitment. (GO

4/28/08)

105. (SI) **HON. THOMAS ABINANTI: Poll Workers Incentive Program:** Forwarding a proposed Act to establish an Employee Poll Workers Incentive Program that allows employees to serve as poll workers and receive either compensatory time or their regular pay. (B&A/GO 4/28/08)

106. **Sewer District Modification-Town of Cortlandt:** Act to modify the Peekskill Sanitary Sewer District by the addition of seven (7) parcels of property located in the Town of Cortlandt.(B&A/GO 5/5/08)

109. (SI) **Bond Act-RB2SS-Cortlandt Street over Furnace Brook, Cortlandt:** Bond Act authorizing the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$650,000 for the cost of design, construction and construction management in connection with the rehabilitation of the bridge on Cortlandt Street over Furnace Brook in Cortlandt (RB2SS) (B&A/GO 5/5/08)

110. (SI) **Bond Act-RB2RR-Brick Hill Road over Plum Brook, Somers:** Bond Act authorizing the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$880,000 for the cost of design, construction and construction management in connection with the rehabilitation of the bridge on Brick Hill Road over Plum Brook in Somers. (RB2RR) (B&A/GO 5/5/08)

111. (SI) **Bond Act-RB102-Palmer Road and Access Ramps, Yonkers:** Bond Act authorizing the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$250,000 for the cost of design in connection with the rehabilitation of approximately 1.66 miles of roadway on Palmer Road in Yonkers. (RB102) (B&A/GO 5/5/08)

112. (SI) **Bond Act-BLA01 Parkland Acquisition Westchester Legacy Program, Village of Ossining:** Bond Act authorizing the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$200,000 to finance Capital Project BLA01-Parkland Acquisition/Westchester Legacy Program to fund the design and site feasibility studies for an extension of the County's RiverWalk through private (Mariandale) and municipally-owned (Crawbuckie Preserve) property in the Village of Ossining. (B&A/GO 5/5/08)

113. (SI) **HON. THOMAS ABINANTI: Ardsley-Acquisition of Surplus County Property- Parcel Q:** Forwarding a Resolution from the Village of Ardsley supporting the acquisition of County surplus property known as Parcel Q by the Town of Greenburgh for recreational and trailway purposes. (B&A/GO 5/5/08)

114. (SI) **HON. JOSE ALVARADO, HON. KEN JENKINS, HON. LYNDON WILLIAMS: Reintroduction of Apprentice Legislation:** Forwarding their request to reintroduce the Apprentice Legislation. (LEG/GO 5/5/08)

115. (SI) **HON. KEN JENKINS: Westchester County Property Valuation Commission:** Forwarding his Memorandum of Legislation to develop legislation that will create a Westchester County Property Valuation Commission. (LEG/GO 5/5/08)

116. **Sewer District Modification:** Proposed Act to modify the Saw Mill Valley Sanitary Sewer District by the removal of five properties consisting of seven tax parcels located in the Town of Mount Pleasant. (B&A/GO 5/19/08) (has to be with B&A – coming back in)

117. **Bond Act-BES09-County Facility Fire Alarm System Upgrades:** Bond Act authorizing the issuance of \$5,200,000 in bonds to finance Capital Project BES09-County Facility Fire Alarm System Upgrades. (B&A/GO 5/19/08)

118. **Bond Act- WCC66 Science Building Renovation/Improvements:** Bond Act

authorizing the issuance of \$3,689,000 in bonds to finance Capital Project WCC66 Science Building Renovation/Improvements. (B&A/GO 5/19/08)

119. **Bond Act- WCC43 Technology Building Renovations:** Bond Act authorizing the issuance of \$7,048,000 in bonds to finance Capital Project WCC43 Technology Building Renovations. (B&A/GO 5/19/08) (B&A/GO 5/19/08)

120. **Bond Act- WCC45 Academic Arts Building Renovations/Improvements:** Bond Act authorizing the issuance of \$2,039,000 in bonds to finance Capital Project WCC45 Academic Arts Building Renovations/Improvements. (B&A/GO 5/19/08)

121. **Bond Act- WCC44 Classroom Building Renovation/Improvements:** Bond Act authorizing the issuance of \$1,590,000 in bonds to finance Capital Project WCC44 Classroom Building Renovation/Improvements. (B&A/GO 5/19/08)

122. **Capital Budget Amendment-WCC52:** An Act to amend the County 2008 Capital Budget by increasing the appropriations for Capital project WCC52. (B&A/GO 5/19/08)

123. **Bond Act-WCC52 Campus Wide Traffic Improvements:** Bond Act authorizing the issuance of \$700,000 in bonds to finance Capital Project WCC52-Campus Wide Traffic Improvements. (B&A/GO 5/19/08)

124. **(SI) Peekskill Easement:** An Act to assign and release, for no monetary consideration, the County's interest in an easement on, over and through the certain real property in the City of Peekskill.
(GO 5/19/08)

125. **(SI) Sewer District Modification-Addition-Town of Yorktown:** An Act to modify the Peekskill Sanitary Sewer District by the addition of 3 parcels of property located in the Town of Yorktown. (B&A/GO 5/19/08) (has to be joint with B&A – coming back in)

126. **HON. GEORGE OROS: Rock Removal:** Forwarding Town of Cortlandt Resolution 112-08 requesting Westchester County allow rock removal on County property. (GO 5/19/08)

127. **HON. JOHN NONNA: Sewer District Modification:** Forwarding a request from the Town of Mt. Pleasant for the removal of a parcel at 59 Hamilton Drive, Chappaqua from the County Saw Mill River Sewer District. (B&A/GO 5/19/08)