COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY SERVICES MINUTES: February 2, 2010

COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE:	Alfreda Williams, Chair, Judy Myers, William Burton, John Testa
In Attendance:	CE: Katy Delgado HEALTH: Patsy Yang BOL: Mary Jackson, Melanie Montalto Guests: Albert Annunziata, Jeanette Philips, Anita Wilenkin

MINUTES:

Chairwoman Williams called the meeting to order at 3:25 p.m.

Patsy Yang, Acting Commissioner of the Department of Health, gave an overview on several of the programs in the Department. She stated that they are still pushing for the public to get H1N1 vaccinations.

She stated that there are approximately 400 chain restaurants in the County, and the County has inspected about 300 of them. Au Bon Pain has been in violation in 3 separate locations and has been fined, as well as one Dominoes, and one Burger King locations have been in violation and have been fined. In all there have been 12 violations so far, which shows a high compliance rate.

Acting Commissioner Yang stated that there has not been much discussion on the possible merger of the Health and Mental Health Departments. She said it was the idea of the previous administration in their budgetary plan; however the two departments have very different focuses and operation styles.

Legislator Burton asked about the HIV/AIDS statistics. Acting Commissioner Yang stated that HIV/AIDS remains a huge issue in Westchester. She said our primary group being affected is middle aged women of color.

With a motion by Legislator Myers seconded by Legislator Burton the minutes of the January 26, 2010 Committee meeting were approved with a vote of 4-0.

With a motion by Legislator Myers seconded by Legislator Testa the Committee on Community Services adjourned with a vote of 4-0 at 4:10 p.m.

AUDIO RECORDING ON FILE FOR REVIEW UPON REQUEST