

The Legislature of Rockland County



ILAN S. SCHOENBERGER
LEGISLATOR, DISTRICT 4
PLANNING AND PUBLIC WORKS, CHAIR

MINUTES PLANNING & PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2013 7:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT
HON. I. SCHOENBERGER, CHAIR
HON. A. WOLFE, VC
HON. M. GRANT 2ND VC
HON. D. JOBSON
HON. A. PAUL

MEMBERS ABSENT
HON. E. DAY
HON. J. MEYERS

OTHERS PRESENT
HON. C. CAREY
HON. N. LOW-HOGAN
HON. J. HOOD JR.
HON. H. CORNELL
N. DOLINER
R. BREGA
S. DEGROAT
M. DRUMMOND
T. VANDERBEEK
D. PHILIPS
V. ALTIERI
C. VEZZETTI
M. D'ANGELO
HON. P. SOSKIN
HON. T. EARL
HON. A. WEIDER
HON. F. SPARACO
R. MCKAY ESQ.
I. SCHUELIN
S. GROGAN
L. SZACHEWICZ
V. MARZELLA
R. GRUFFI
A. CONNORS
P. BRENNAN

Chair Schoenberger called the meeting to order at 7 :00 p.m.

- 1. REFERRAL NO. 9252** APPROVING AGREEMENT WITH IBI GROUP FOR CONSULTING SERVICES FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF AN INTELLIGENT TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM DEPLOYMENT PLAN FOR THE ROCKLAND COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION UNDER RFP-FTA-RC-2012-022 FROM FINAL CONTRACT EXECUTION FOR A PERIOD OF ONE YEAR FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$165,869 WITH FOUR (4) ADDITIONAL ONE (1) YEAR OPTIONS AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT (DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION) (\$165,869) **(THOMAS VANDERBEEK, COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION) DL# 2013-04270**

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- 2. REFERRAL NO. 1319** APPROVING AMENDMENT OF AGREEMENT IN EXCESS OF \$100,000 WITH BERGMAN ASSOCIATES IN AN ADDITIONAL AMOUNT OF \$224,700 FOR A TOTAL CONTRACT SUM NOT TO EXCEED \$544,700 TO UPDATE THE LOCAL SANITARY SEWER AND ADDITIONAL WORK TO ACCOMMODATE WATER COMPANY FACILITIES FOR THE PASCACK BROOK CULVERT FLOOD MITIGATION PROJECT FROM AUGUST 1, 2011 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2013 AND AUTHORIZING ITS EXECUTION BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE CAPITAL PROJECT ACCOUNT NO. 7001 [DEPARTMENTS OF HIGHWAY/DRAINAGE AGENCY] (\$544,700) **(CHARLES VEZZETTI, CHAIRMAN OF DRAINAGE AGENCY) DL# 2013-04316**

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3. **REFERRAL NO. 1319** AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF FOUR PERMANENT EASEMENTS FOR THE PASCACK BROOK BYPASS CULVERT PROJECT VILLAGE OF SPRING VALLEY CAPITAL PROJECT NO. 7113 [DRAINAGE AGENCY] (**CHARLES VEZZETTI, SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAY, DRAINAGE AGENCY**)
DL# 2013-04338

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4. **REFERRAL NO. 5906** APPROVING ADDITIONAL PURCHASES IN EXCESS OF \$100,000 FROM H. KREVIT & CO., INC. FOR THE PURCHASE AND DELIVERY OF SODIUM HYPOCHLORITE TO THE ROCKLAND COUNTY SEWER DISTRICT NO. 1 UNDER RFB-RC-2011-030 IN ADDITIONAL AMOUNT OF \$88,200 FOR THE SECOND YEAR OPTION TERM FROM MAY 31, 2013 THROUGH MAY 30, 2014 AND IN A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$255,173.32 FOR THE FULL PERIOD FROM MAY 31, 2011 THROUGH MAY 30, 2014 AND IN A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$255,173.32 FOR THE FULL PERIOD FROM MAY 31, 2011 THROUGH MAY 30, 2014 WITH ALL PURCHASES TO BE MADE BY FORMAL PURCHASE ORDER [DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES-DIVISION OF PURCHASING] (\$255,173.32) (**GERRY WALSH, COMMISSIONER DGS-PURCHASING**)
DL# 2013-03896

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5. **REFERRAL NO. 6306** AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CLERK TO THE LEGISLATURE TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF BUILDING L EMERGENCY GENERATOR INSTALLATION CAPITAL PROJECT NO. 2078 [DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES-FACILITIES] (**GERRY WALSH, COMMISSIONER DGS-PURCHASING**) **DL# 2013-04430**

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6. **REFERRAL NO. 8593** RATIFYING AN AGREEMENT IN EXCESS OF \$100,000 WITH COLONIAL ENERGY INC. FOR THE SUPPLY OF NATURAL GAS (INTERRUPTIBLE ACCOUNTS) FOR THE COUNTY OF ROCKLAND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$520,000 AND ROCKLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$320,000 FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$840,000 FOR THE PERIOD FROM NOVEMBER 1, 2013 THROUGH OCTOBER 31, 2015 WITH ALL PURCHASES TO BE MADE BY FORMAL PURCHASE ORDER [DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES-DIVISION OF PURCHASING] (\$840,000) (**GERRY WALSH, COMMISSIONER DGS-PURCHASING**) **DL# 2013-04079**

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7. **REFERRAL NO. 6795** APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF SERVICES IN EXCESS OF \$100,000 FROM KEN'S TREE CARE, INC. FOR TREE CUTTING AND REMOVAL SERVICES ON AN AS NEEDED BASIS FOR VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS INCLUDING THE DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES-FACILITIES MANAGEMENT, THE ROCKLAND COUNTY DRAINAGE AGENCY AND THE DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES UNDER RFB-RC-2013-079 IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$195,208 FOR THE PERIOD FROM SEPTEMBER 13, 2013 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 12, 2014 WITH FOUR (4) ADDITIONAL ONE (1) YEAR OPTION TERMS [DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES-DIVISION OF PURCHASING] (\$195,208) **(GERRY WALSH, COMMISSIONER DGS-PURCHASING) DL# 2013-04016**

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8. **REFERRAL NO. 9252** APPROVING THE PURCHASE IN EXCESS OF \$100,000 FROM BETTER POWER INC. OF A GENERAC MOBILE POWER 45KW GENERATOR UNDER NEW YORK STATE OFFICE OF GENERAL SERVICE CONTRACT NO. PC62003 IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$29,533 AND FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$108,852 WHICH PURCHASE IS TO BE MADE BY FORMAL PURCHASE ORDER [DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES-DIVISION OF PURCHASING] (\$108,852) **(GERRY WALSH, COMMISSIONER OF DGS-PURCHASING) DL# 2013-04386**

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PAUL/GRANT

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9. **REFERRAL NO. 6803** APPROVING ADDITIONAL PURCHASES IN EXCESS OF \$100,000 FROM TILCON NEW YORK INC. FOR SUBBASE MATERIAL, CRUSHED STONE, GRAVEL, SAND AND STONE FOR BANK AND CHANNEL PROTECTION FOR USE BY THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT AND THE ROCKLAND COUNTY DRAINAGE AGENCY UNDER RFB-RC-2012-065 IN AN ADDITIONAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$100,000 DURING THE OPTION TERM FROM SEPTEMBER 20, 2013 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 19, 2014 AND FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$500,000 FOR THE FULL PERIOD FROM SEPTEMBER 20, 2012 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 19, 2014 WITH ALL PURCHASES TO BE MADE BY FORMAL PURCHASE ORDER [DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES -DIVISION OF PURCHASING] (\$500,000) **(GERRY WALSH, COMMISSIONER OF DGS-PURCHASING) DL# 2013-04383**

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**10. REFERRAL NO. 8293/ DISCUSSION ITEM: UPDATE ON TRANSPORTATION CONTRACT
2825 EXTENSIONS TO HUDSON TRANSIT CORP. AND ROCKLAND TRANSIT CORP.
[COMMISSIONER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION]
(HONS. PATRICK MORONEY, MICHAEL GRANT, LEGISLATURE)**

Mr. Vanderbeek introduced Vincent Marzella and Michael D'Angelo and stated that they were on hand all weekend addressing any issues that came up.

Chair Schoenberger asked if we received all the buses from Coach.

Mr. Vanderbeek stated that there were only two buses still in possession of Coach and that they were not in service and being worked on.

Leg. Carey asked Mr. Vanderbeek about the provision in place of holding back payment to Coach . Mr. Vanderbeek stated that they were in the process of estimating the cost and don't anticipate it being over a couple thousand dollars.

Mr. Brega also thanked Mr. Marzella and D'Angelo stating that without them he not sure that the transition would have went so well.

Mr. Brega stated that he felt that some routes need to be retimed. There are certain parts of the County where traffic comes to a dead stop such as Monsey.

Mr. Brega hired 86 drivers for this contract. Ten drivers did not show for work on Sunday November 3rd, and 15 additional drivers did not show up for work on Monday the 4th for a total of 25 drivers short. He stated he was proud of his team and the routes were covered and maintenance was covered.

Mr. Brega stated that in accordance with 13-c labor law he was obligated to give Coach drivers first refusal. He did anticipate problems and did train and hire. Some of these new hires had zero experience in the transit industry and others were school bus drivers.

Leg. Grant thanked Mr. Brega for coming back and he also complimented the work of Mr. Marzella and D'Angelo and the rest of the transportation department. He also wished Mr. Brega great success providing reliable , safe, and economical transportation to the riders of Rockland County.

Chair Schoenberger what the condition was of the buses upon transfer.

Mr. Brega stated that on late Saturday they were informed that 10 buses were not ready for transfer. He stated as of today that only 2 hadn't been transferred.

Mr. Brega requested that the referral for the fare boxes be put on the full leg meeting of 11/19/13 as a red dot item. Leg Chair Cornell stated that if the paperwork was received that it would be put on as new business.

**11. REFERRAL NO. 6803 DISCUSSION ITEM: UPDATE ON THE STATUS OF THIELLS MT. IVY ROAD
(HON. ILAN S. SCHOENBERGER, LEGISLATURE)**

Chair Schoenberger asked Mr. Vezzetti to comment on the letter from Supervisor Phillips. Mr. Vezzetti stated that since they just had received the letter he did not feel it was appropriate.

Mr. Vezzetti stated that George Wolpert did a complete study on Thiells Mt. Ivy Road and suggested numerous improvements as listed in the study. Mr. Vezzetti also stated that in the proposed capital budget for 2014 Thiells Mt. Ivy Road was listed for improvements, right-of-way, engineering and construction.

SEE ATTACHED STUDY

Andy Connors stated that some quick fix improvements have been done since the meeting in July. Site distance has been improved by cutting down shrubs, the bridge has been resurfaced, new signage has been put up, and some trees have been cut down.

The consensus of the speakers stated that there were numerous safety issues with the road and felt that the County and local law enforcement should address the issues as soon as possible before another tragedy occurred.

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