

The Legislature of Rockland County



HARRIET D. CORNELL
Legislator – District 10
Chair, Environmental Committee

**MINUTES
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY, August 26, 2015
6:00 PM**

MEMBERS PRESENT

HARRIET D. CORNELL, CHAIR
NANCY LOW-HOGAN, VICE CHAIR
JAY HOOD, JR.
CHRISTOPHER J. CAREY
LON M. HOFSTEIN

MEMBERS ABSENT

ALDEN H. WOLFE
TONEY L. EARL

OTHERS PRESENT

J. BIRNBAUM
L. INCALCATERRA
S. BARCLAY

CHAIR CORNELL CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 6:08 PM.

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE JUNE 30, 2015 MEETING

**MOTION TO ADOPT:
CAREY/LOW-HOGAN**

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1. REF. NO. 5426 - URGING THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION TO INSTITUTE AN IMMEDIATE FREEZE ON NEW AIR AND WATER QUALITY PERMITS FOR ALL NATURAL GAS INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT APPLICATIONS, AND URGING THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO 1) PERFORM A THOROUGH ASSESSMENT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY IMPACT OF NATURAL GAS PIPELINE INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS IN NEW YORK STATE, AND 2) PUBLICLY ISSUE A WRITTEN REPORT OF ITS FINDINGS
(LEGS. H. CORNELL, A. WOLFE, LEGISLATURE) LG2015-91

ADDED CO-SPONSORS: HONS. HOOD, JR., LOW-HOGAN, HOFSTEIN

**MOTION TO APPROVE
CAREY/LOW-HOGAN**

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Chair Cornell stated that this was an issue raising health concerns. She said that the issue is about what is not known about human exposure to carcinogens and endocrine disruptors.

ADDENDUM

2. REF. NO. 4374 - APPROVING ROCKLAND COUNTY'S FREE MEMBERSHIP IN THE UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY'S WATERSENSE PROGRAM AS A PROMOTIONAL PARTNER, TO HELP REDUCE MUNICIPAL WATER USE THROUGH THE PROMOTION OF WATER-EFFICIENT PRODUCTS AND NEW HOME CONSTRUCTIONS, AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE A WATERSENSE PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY
(LEGS. HARRIET D. CORNELL, LEGISLATURE)

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**MOTION TO APPROVE
CORNELL/HOOD, JR.**

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Chair Cornell stated that both United Water and the Water Resources Management Task Force were Water Sense partners. She said that if you bought anything recently that had to do with water, you would see a Water Sense label and described the free program.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN 6:15 PM
CAREY/HOOD, JR.**

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