

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER
BOARD OF ACQUISITION AND CONTRACT
HELD ON TUESDAY, APRIL 27, 2021 @ 9:15 A.M.**

Deputy County Executive
Chair, Board of Legislators
Budget Director
Commissioner of Finance
Associate Chief Deputy County Attorney
Board of Legislators
Secretary BAC
Assistant Secretary

Ken Jenkins
Benjamin Boykin
Larry Soule
AnnMarie Berg
Tami Altschiller
Greg Casciato
Lisa Mrijaj
Joan Cocciardi

Mr. Jenkins presided.

Mr. Jenkins said, “For the record, this meeting is being conducted in accordance with Governor Cuomo’s Executive Order 202.1 as extended.”

Mr. Jenkins continued, “Unless there is any objection, I move that the Board consider the Agenda including item 1: Authority for the County of Westchester to enter into an agreement with the State of New York Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance pursuant to which the County will transfer to OTDA all funds allocated to the County by the United States Department of the Treasury for financial assistance and housing stability services to eligible families impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic in order for OTDA to provide emergency rental assistance, or emergency rental assistance and utility arrears, to eligible residents of Westchester.”

Mr. Jenkins said, “The floor is open for discussion of agenda item 1 by the members of the board”.

Mr. Boykin said, “I will say I think this is a great idea to do this. This way everyone will be on the level playing field. Everyone will be treated equally and all and if we don’t have enough money it will be covered by the state. I think this is the appropriate thing to do to have the state manage this and we do have, we think, several thousand people in Westchester that may qualify.”

Mr. Soule said, “I would just like to echo the sentiments of the Chairman. I agree wholeheartedly that this makes complete sense.”

Acquisition & Contract. Minutes of the meeting 4/22/21 and the SEQR Review for agenda items.

L. Mrijaj

Mr. Jenkins moved to receive and file the foregoing minutes and SEQR review, which were duly seconded and approved.

1. (84581) **County Executive** - Enter into an agreement with the State of New York Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance (“OTDA”) pursuant to which the County will transfer to OTDA all funds allocated to the County by the United States Department of the Treasury (“Treasury”) for financial assistance and housing stability services to eligible families impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic in order for OTDA to provide emergency rental assistance, or emergency rental assistance and utility arrears, to eligible residents of Westchester.

G. Latimer

Mr. Jenkins moved the resolution, which was duly seconded and unanimously approved.

There being no further business, the Chair declared the meeting adjourned. All approved resolutions are on file electronically with the Board of Acquisition and Contract.

I have reviewed the foregoing minutes and have found them to be correct as written.

Signed: *Lisa Mríaj*, Secretary

Dated: 4/27/2021