

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
June 3, 2015 - Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Chairman Art Johnson; Supervisors Kinowski, Lunde, Richardson, Sausville and Martin; Spencer Hellwig, County Administrator; Chad Cooke, Deputy County Administrator; Steve Dorsey, County Attorney; Craig Hayner, County Clerk; Lisa Scaccia, WIA Director; Todd Shimkus, AnnaMarie Ballantoni, Saratoga Chamber of Commerce; Todd Garafano, Saratoga Convention & Tourism Bureau; Press.

On a motion by Mr. Lunde, seconded by Mr. Kinowski the minutes of the May 6, 2015 meeting were unanimously approved.

Mr. Shimkus presented the committee with a 2015 Tourism Promotion Partnership hand out and gave their mid-year report.

Mr. Garafano provided the committee with a handout and gave their mid-2015 report.

Mrs. Scaccia told the committee of changes and the laws regarding the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act.

Mrs. Scaccia said there is an increase in funds for 2015 due to the minimum wage increase in NYS. The funding is \$179,357 with the Department of Social Services receiving 8.5% of that total leaving WIA with \$164,112 for the Summer Youth Employment Program.

Mr. Hellwig asked if a budget amendment would be needed. Mrs. Scaccia said a budget amendment would be needed as an additional \$18,389 in expenses and revenues is included in that total.

Mr. Sausville asked where the additional funding was coming from. Mr. Hellwig said this is 100% Federal funding with no local match.

On a motion by Mr. Lunde, seconded by Mr. Kinowski the Summer Youth Employment Program Funding of \$164,112 and a budget amendment was unanimously approved.

Mrs. Scaccia said she needs approval for the contract renewals for the year round services. She said they currently work with CAPTAIN to provide assistance to youth in Saratoga County. Saratoga County is the grant recipient for the tri-Counties and are not allowed to run the program directly. An RFP was released with two responses being returned. Mrs. Scaccia is satisfied with the work CAPTAIN has done and recommended the contract be renewed in the amount of \$95,451.38.

Mrs. Scaccia said she would like approval to spend the remainder of the WIA funding as well as funding for WIOA beginning on July 1, 2015. Authorization is needed for the agreements with Warren and Washington Counties to administer the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act and the Workforce Investment Act youth programs for the 2015 and 2016 program years.

Mr. Hellwig said the programs to date have been funded under the Workforce Investment Act and that needs to be approved as well as approving funding for the new Act.

On a motion by Mr. Sausville, seconded by Mr. Richardson a renewal contract with CAPTAIN for the 2015 and 2016 program years and to authorize agreements with Warren and Washington

Counties to administer the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act and the Workforce Investment Act youth programs for 2015 and 2016 were unanimously approved

Mrs. Scaccia said the program funding for WIOA for 2015 which runs from July 1, 2105 until June 30, 2016 is \$815,151. She said the program funding was cut by almost \$50,000 but is not requesting a budget amendment at this time. She said the 2016 budget will reflect that reduction.

On a motion by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Lunde, the 2015 WIOA Program Year funding acceptance of \$815,151 was unanimously approved.

Mrs. Scaccia said due to the change in the program the Workforce Investment Board will be changing from 40 members to 29. The WIB budget is submitted to the Board of Supervisors every year. WIB has a Director and an Associate Executive Director. Both positions are part time with a combined salary of \$97,753 for the coming year which includes a 3% increase.

Mr. Richardson asked where the \$97,753 comes from. Mrs. Scaccia said this amount comes from the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act funding.

Mr. Johnson said what is being approved today is the \$97,753 which is split three ways with Warren and Washington Counties. Mrs. Scaccia said that is correct.

On a motion by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Kinowski, the Workforce Area Development budget of \$97,753 which is split three ways with Warren and Washington Counties was unanimously approved.

Mr. Kinowski asked if there are inter-Municipal agreements with Warren and Washington Counties. Mrs. Scaccia said when this program began, those agreements were put in place and are amended as these changes are made.

Mrs. Scaccia said that payroll for the Director and Associate Executive Director has to be done through JJ Young. The administrative fee for doing this is \$7,745.

On a motion by Mr. Sausville, seconded by Mr. Lunde the renewal contract with JJ Young in the amount of \$7,745 was unanimously approved.

On a motion by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Sausville the meeting was unanimously adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela A. Wright, Clerk