

Economic Development Committee Minutes
September 6, 2018 – 3:30 p.m.

Present: Chairman Matthew Veitch; Supervisors Phil Barrett, Tara Gaston, Alan Grattidge, Art Johnson, Jack Lawler, Scott Ostrander and Tom Richardson. Spencer Hellwig, County Administrator; Steve Dorsey, County Attorney; Jason Kemper, Planning; Marty Vanags, SCPP; Press

Chairman Veitch called the meeting to order and welcomed all in attendance.

On a motion made by Mr. Grattidge, seconded by Mr. Ostrander, the minutes of the August 2, 2018 meeting were approved unanimously.

Mr. Kemper previously distributed a memo regarding his agenda items via email.

A motion was made by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Johnson, to authorize a contract with GPI in the amount of \$597,700 for construction administration services associated with improvements to the Zim Smith Trail. Unanimous.

Mr. Kemper said that the current contract with Greenman Pedersen Engineering expires once the County goes to bid opening. This agreement covers services from bid opening, contract, site inspection services through December of 2019. The proposal is 12% of total project cost which is industry standard. Mr. Richardson commended Mr. Kemper on the time and effort put into this project to date. Mr. Kemper commended Mr. Dorsey on his work on this project, particularly on the recent property acquisitions.

Mr. Kemper said that bids open tomorrow at 11am. They will be going directly from the bid opening to DOT for approval. If approved, Mr. Kemper requested that a special meeting of the Economic Development Committee be held next week prior to Law & Finance to award the bid. They are hoping to begin construction this fall, particularly across the Fairways of Halfmoon to ensure construction is completed prior to the 2019 golf season. There are two bid alternates in the current project, the first is paving from Coons Crossing to the Village of Round Lake, which is currently stone dust. The second bid alternate is the construction of restrooms at Coons Crossing.

A motion was made by Mr. Lawler, seconded by Mr. Richardson, to authorize a contract with CHA in the amount of \$45,000 for construction administration services associated with improvements to the Champlain Canalway Trail. Unanimous.

Mr. Kemper said that last month a resolution was passed authorizing Saratoga County to act as project manager for the Champlain Canalway Trail in the Town of Waterford. This resolution follows up on the previous resolution. Clough Harbour and Associates was selected through a competitive process by the Hudson River Greenway to design this section of trail and now this proposal will allow them to do site inspection as well as bid documents, open bids and contract administration.

A motion was made by Mr. Grattidge, seconded by Mr. Johnson, to authorize a contract with G and T Enterprises for timber harvesting services in the amount of \$35,500.29. Unanimous.

Mr. Kemper said that the County went out to bid on parcel 73.-2-4 encompassing approximately 24 acres in the Town of Corinth. One bid was received. The parcel was previously landlocked however an adjoining parcel which was on the County's property auction list this year is scheduled to be pulled from the auction list to allow access. Mr. Kemper said that they can decide what to do with the adjoining parcel after the harvest.

A motion was made by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Richardson, to declare October as Manufacturing Month in Saratoga County. Unanimous.

Mr. Veitch said that this has been an annual item for the past few years.

On a motion was made by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Lawler, to the meeting was adjourned unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Therese Connolly
Deputy Clerk of the Board