



# Economic Development Committee

Wednesday, July 3, 2024 3:30PM

40 McMaster Street, Ballston Spa, NY

## Minutes

Present: Chairman C. Eric Butler; Committee Members Ed Kinowski, Michele Madigan, Ian Murray, Cynthia Young

Absent: Jean Raymond, Mo Wright

Steve Bulger, Ridge Harris, Stephanie Hodgson, Christine Rush, County Administrator; George Conway, Samantha Kupferman, Emily Spring, County Attorney; Jason Kemper, Kimberly Lambert, Nisha Merchant, Planning & Economic Development; Jenniffer McCloskey, Employment & Training; Craig Hayner, County Clerk.

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

**On a motion made by Mr. Murray , seconded by Mr. Kinowski, the minutes of the June 5, 2024 meeting were approved unanimously.**

**A motion was made by Mr. Murray , seconded by Ms. Madigan, Committee approval of Economic Development Grant reimbursement request from the Towns of Halfmoon, Moreau, Wilton and Edinburg. Unanimous.**

**A motion was made by Mr. Kinowski, seconded by Mrs. Young, to authorize the transfer of funds from the Economic Development Grant Reserve Fund and amending the 2024 County budget in relation thereto. Unanimous.**

This is a two-step process, Committee approval of the reimbursement requests and Resolution to transfer the funds to pay the reimbursement. Total amount is \$42,600.

**A motion was made by Ms. Madigan, seconded by Mr. Kinowski, Committee approval to approve the 2024 Economic Development Grant Applications. Unanimous.**

18 applications were received for a total amount of \$177,745. Discussion ensued.

**A motion was made by Mr. Kinowski, seconded by Ms. Madigan, Committee approval to extend the 2022 Economic Development Grants for the Towns of Edinburg, Malta and Saratoga. Unanimous.**

Mr. Kemper reported that an IDA meeting will be held on July 9<sup>th</sup>.

**A motion was made by Mr. Murray , seconded by Mrs. Young, to accept a Summer Youth Employment Program grant from the New York State Office of Temporary Disability Assistance. Unanimous.**

Funding is in the amount of \$295,679.

**A motion was made by Ms. Madigan, seconded by Mr. Kinowski, to accept a Workforce Innovation and Opportunities Act (WIOA) Grant from the US Department of Labor and amending the County budget in relation thereto. Unanimous.**

This is pass through funding to Saratoga, Warren and Washington Counties.

**A motion was made by Mr. Murray , seconded by Mr. Kinowski, to approve the Workforce Development Board budget for program year 2024-2024 and authorizing agreements with Warren and Washington counties to fund Workforce Development Board services. Unanimous.**

This budget has already been approved by the Workforce Development Board.

Mr. Bulger reported that Ms. McCloskey has been invited to present at the NACo annual conference in Tampa, Florida next week.

**A motion was made by Mr. Kinowski, seconded by Ms. Madigan, the meeting was adjourned unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted,

Therese M. Connolly, Clerk of the Board