

WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COMMITTEE: ECONOMIC GROWTH & DEVELOPMENT

DATE: NOVEMBER 20, 2017

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

SUPERVISORS MCDEVITT
BEATY
SIMPSON
SOKOL
MONTESI
LEGGETT
BRAYMER

OTHERS PRESENT:

WAYNE LAMOTHE, COUNTY PLANNER
SARA FRANKENFELD, GIS COORDINATOR
REPRESENTING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION:

ED BARTHOLOMEW, PRESIDENT
JOHN WHEATLY, VICE PRESIDENT

RONALD F. CONOVER, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD
KEVIN B. GERAGHTY, ACTING COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
AMANDA ALLEN, CLERK OF THE BOARD

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

SUPERVISORS MACDONALD
STROUGH

FRANK E. THOMAS, BUDGET OFFICER

SUPERVISOR MERLINO

JENNIFER SWITZER, CFO, WARREN COUNTY LOCAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

WILLIAM LOEB, CITY OF GLENS FALLS RESIDENT

MICHAEL WILD, TOWN OF QUEENSBURY RESIDENT

DON LEHMAN, *THE POST STAR*

LESLIE LOVELACE, SECRETARY TO THE CLERK OF THE BOARD

Please note, the following contains a summarization of the November 20, 2017 meeting of the Economic Growth & Development Committee; the meeting in its entirety can be viewed on the Warren County website using the following link: <http://www.warrencountyny.gov/gov/comm/Archive/2017/economic>

Mr. McDevitt called the meeting of the Economic Growth & Development Committee to order at 9:03 a.m.

Motion was made by Mr. Simpson, seconded by Mr. Montesi and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the previous Committee meeting, subject to correction by the Clerk of the Board.

Privilege of the floor was extended to Wayne LaMothe, *County Planner*, who distributed copies of his agenda to the Committee members; *a copy of the agenda is on file with the minutes.*

Commencing his agenda review, Mr. LaMothe presented a request to transfer the balances from three CD accounts, totaling \$399.70, to the Local Development Corporation (LDC) for use in program eligible activities and close the accounts; he also requested that the CD73 account be closed as those funds were fully expended.

Motion was made by Mr. Sokol, seconded by Mr. Leggett and carried unanimously to approve the request and forward same to the Finance Committee. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

Continuing with the Information for Discussion portion of the agenda, Mr. LaMothe apprised he had received a letter from the New York State Office of Community Renewal (NYS OCR) advising the County's submission for New York State of Community Development Block Grant (NYS CDBG) funds had been successful. *A copy of the letter is on file with the minutes.*

Privilege of the floor was extended to Sara Frankenfeld, *GIS Coordinator*, who discussed plans to review the Census Bureau's Master Address File as part of the Local Update of Census Addresses (LUCA) project and provided a demonstration of the online Recreation Mapper project and associated new content on the First Wilderness website.

Discussion ensued.

Ed Bartholomew, *President of the Economic Development Corporation (EDC)*, entered the meeting at 9:08 a.m.

Mr. Conover entered the meeting at 9:10 a.m.

Mr. Simpson commended Ms. Frankenfeld for her work. Mr. McDevitt expressed he was impressed to see tourism and economics tied in to the program.

Privilege of the floor was extended to Mr. Bartholomew, who reviewed a power point presentation outlining EDC activities; *a copy of the presentation is on file with the minutes.*

Mr. Merlino entered the meeting at 9:45 a.m.

At the conclusion of Mr. Bartholomew's presentation, he apprised that the EDC Holiday Mixer would be held on Tuesday, December 5th 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. at The Queensbury Hotel and added there was a small gift requirement for donation to Big Brothers/Big Sisters.

Mr. Geraghty inquired about the traffic study and Mr. Bartholomew replied that a contract would be approved tomorrow to start the collection of data for a ten month study. He added that data would be collected during the Winter, Spring and Summer months to help improve bicycle, pedestrian and emergency vehicle traffic.

There being no further business to come before the Economic Growth & Development Committee, on motion made by Mr. Simpson and seconded by Mr. Beaty, Mr. McDevitt adjourned the meeting at 9:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Leslie Lovelace, Secretary to the Clerk of the Board