

WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COMMITTEE: ECONOMIC GROWTH & DEVELOPMENT

DATE: SEPTEMBER 20 2021

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

SUPERVISORS: HOGAN
FRASIER
WILD
STROUGH
LEGGETT
GERAGHTY

COMMITTEE MEMBER ABSENT:

SUPERVISOR: MERLINO

OTHERS PRESENT:

REPRESENTING THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT:
WAYNE LAMOTHE, COUNTY PLANNER
SARA FRANKENFELD, GIS ADMINISTRATOR
ETHAN GADDY, ASSISTANT COUNTY PLANNER
LIZA OCHSENDORF, DIRECTOR, EMPLOYMENT & TRAINING
JIM SIPLON, PRESIDENT & CEO, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
RACHEL E. SEEBER, CHAIRWOMAN OF THE BOARD
RYAN MOORE, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
AMANDA ALLEN, CLERK OF THE BOARD
ROBERT TERWILLIGER, ACTING COUNTY ATTORNEY
FRANK E. THOMAS, BUDGET OFFICER
SUPERVISORS BEATY
BRAYMER (VIA ZOOM)
BRUNO
CONOVER
DIAMOND
DRISCOLL
TAMMIE DELORENZO, ASSISTANT TO THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
DON LEHMAN, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC RELATIONS
MOLLY GANOTES-GLEASON, LEGISLATIVE OFFICE SPECIALIST

Please note, the following contains a summarization of the September 20, 2021 meeting of the Economic Growth & Development Committee; the meeting in its entirety can be viewed on the Warren County website using the following link: <https://warrencountyny.gov/mma>

Note: Pursuant to New York State Legislation (S.50001/A.40001): “Notwithstanding the provisions of article 7 of the public officers law to the contrary, any state agency, department, corporation, office, authority, board, or commission, as well as any local public body, or public corporation as defined in section 66 of the general construction law, or political subdivisions as defined in section 100 of the general municipal law, or a committee or subcommittee or other similar body of such entity, shall be authorized to meet and take such action authorized by law without permitting in public in-person access to meetings and authorize such meetings to be held remotely by conference call or similar service, provided that the public has the ability to view or listen to such proceeding and that such meetings are recorded and later transcribed.” All of the Committee members in attendance were physically present.

Ms. Hogan called the meeting of the Economic Growth & Development Committee to order at 12:44 p.m.

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

Copies of the Employment & Training Administration and Planning & Community Development agendas were distributed to those in attendance and those participating virtually accessed the agenda via the Warren County website; *copies of the agendas are on file with the meeting minutes.*

Review of the Employment & Training Administration agenda commenced with a request to amend the County Budget in the amount of \$673,566 to reflect receipt of Federal Workforce Innovation & Opportunity Act funds for program year 2021.

Motion was made by Mrs. Frasier, seconded by Mr. Wild and carried unanimously to approve the request as outlined above and to refer same to the Finance Committee. *A copy of the request to Amend County Budget form is on file with the minutes.*

Liza Ochsendorf, *Director, Employment & Training*, reviewed her Department's 2022 Budget summary and answered questions posed by the Committee. *A copy of the Budget summary is on file with the minutes.*

There being no further Employment & Training Administration business to discuss review of the Planning & Community Development commenced with the following requests:

1. To establish CD77, *Countryside CARES Act*, in the amount of \$810,932, for repairs and upgrades to Countryside Adult Home.

Motion was made by Mr. Geraghty, seconded by Ms. Frasier and carried unanimously to approve the request as outlined above and to refer same to the Finance Committee. *A copy of the request to Amend County Budget form is on file with the minutes.*

2. Authorizing the acceptance of grant funds from NYS Housing Trust Fund CARES Act for renovations at Countryside Adult Home.

Motion was made by Mr. Geraghty, seconded by Mrs. Frasier and carried unanimously to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the October 15th Board Meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

3. To establish the Special Committee "ARPA Advisory Committee" and listing members of same.

Motion was made by Mrs. Frasier, seconded by Mr. Leggett and carried by majority vote, with Mr. Wild abstaining, to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the October 15th Board Meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

Concluding, Wayne LaMothe, *County Planner*, presented his Department's 2022 Budget request and answered questions posed by the Committee. *A copy of the Budget is on file with the minutes.*

Privilege of the floor was extended to Jim Siplon, *President & CEO, Economic Development Corporation*, who provided an update on broadband and housing in Warren County. He mentioned there would be a EDC Conference in November, and he spoke about a grant opportunity from the County Revitalization Fund, as well as the LDC (*Local Development Corporation*) contracts and how they would be developing a working group to discuss them in October.

As there was no further business to come before the Economic Growth & Development Committee, on motion made by Mrs. Frasier, and seconded by Mr. Leggett and carried unanimously, Ms. Hogan adjourned the meeting at 1:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Molly Ganotes-Gleason, Legislative Office Specialist