

WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COMMITTEE: ECONOMIC GROWTH & DEVELOPMENT

DATE: OCTOBER 18, 2021

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

SUPERVISORS: HOGAN
FRASIER
WILD
STROUGH
GERAGHTY

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

SUPERVISORS: LEGGETT
MERLINO

OTHERS PRESENT:

REPRESENTING THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT:

WAYNE LAMOTHE, COUNTY PLANNER
SARA FRANKENFELD, GIS ADMINISTRATOR
ETHAN GADDY, ASSISTANT COUNTY PLANNER
PATRICIA TATICH, ASSOCIATE PLANNER

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 BRAYMER (VIA ZOOM)

DRISCOLL
MAGOWAN
MCDEVITT
SHEPLER
SMITH

TAMMIE DELORENZO, ASSISTANT TO THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
DON LEHMAN, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC RELATIONS
DAN FORBUSH, SMARTACUS CO-FOUNDER
MOLLY GANOTES-GLEASON, LEGISLATIVE OFFICE SPECIALIST

Please note, the following contains a summarization of the October 18, 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 10:02 a.m.

The Planning & Community Development agenda was distributed to those in attendance and those participating virtually accessed the agenda via the Warren County website; a copy of the agenda is on file with the meeting minutes.

Privilege of the floor was extended to Jim Siplon, *President & CEO, Economic Development Corporation*, who provided an update on broadband and housing along with businesses in Warren County. He added the event held

last month for Edward Bartholomew, *former President & CEO, Economic Development Corporation*, was a huge success, mentioning there would be future events as well.

Moving on to the review of the planning & Community Development agenda, motion was made by Mr. Wild, 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.

Privilege of the floor was extended to Wayne LaMothe, *County Planner*, who advised on the 1st of November the County would have a public comment period relating to the work at Countryside Adult Home.

A request was presented for a transfer of funds in the amount of \$4,000 from Budget Code A8021.100, *Salaries-Full Time*, to Budget Code A8021.130 *Salaries-Part Time*, to offset increased part-time costs during a period when the Department was short on full-time staff.

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

Next, Sara Frankenfeld, *GIS Administrator*, presented a request to authorize an agreement with the City of Glens Falls to provide GIS Services on an as needed basis at the rate of \$50.00 per hour for a not-to-exceed amount of \$15,000 per year, billed on a quarterly basis.

Motion was made by Mr. Wild, seconded by Mrs. Frasier and carried unanimously to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the November 19th Board Meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

Following, Ms. Frankenfeld displayed a web page for the First Wilderness Heritage Coordinator which led to a discussion that included Dan Forbush, *Smartacus Co-Founder*, who indicated his company worked with students from local colleges on stories from Open Space which were highlighted in the First Wilderness Coordinator.

Following, a request was presented to authorize an agreement with Cliff & Redfield Interactive to produce a magazine entitled "Rediscovering the First Wilderness," for *Adirondack*, the bi-monthly magazine of Adirondack Mountain Club to formalize this collaboration and invite others to participate as they develop a series of articles and other content relative to the First Wilderness Corridor.

Motion was made by Mr. Wild, seconded by Mrs. Frasier and carried unanimously to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the November 19th Board Meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

Concluding, Patricia Tatich, *Associate Planner*, spoke regarding the Housing Working Group and what they had been working on.

As there was no further business to come before the Economic Growth & Development Committee, on motion made by Mr. Wild, seconded by Mr. Strough and carried unanimously, Ms. Hogan adjourned the meeting at 10:49 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Molly Ganotes-Gleason, Legislative Office Specialist