

WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COMMITTEE: ECONOMIC GROWTH & DEVELOPMENT

DATE: FEBRUARY 21, 2024

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

SUPERVISORS: ETU
BEAN
MADAY
TURNER

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

SUPERVISORS: STROUGH
DICKINSON
WILD

OTHERS PRESENT:

BETH GILLES, DIRECTOR, LAKE CHAMPLAIN LAKE GEORGE REGIONAL
PLANNING BOARD

REPRESENTING THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT:

SARA FRANKENFELD, GIS ADMINISTRATOR
ETHAN GADDY, COUNTY PLANNER

LIZA OCHSENDORF, DIRECTOR, WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

JIM SIPLON, PRESIDENT, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

KEVIN B. GERAGHTY, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

JOHN TAFLAN, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

LARRY ELMAN, COUNTY ATTORNEY

AMANDA ALLEN, CLERK OF THE BOARD

FRANK E. THOMAS, BUDGET OFFICER

SUPERVISORS BRUNO

MERLINO

STRAINER

CHRISTINE NORTON, COUNTY TREASURER

MOLLY GANOTES-GLEASON, LEGISLATIVE OFFICE SPECIALIST

Please note, the following contains a summarization of the February 21, 2024 meeting of the Economic Growth & Development Committee; the meeting in its entirety can be viewed on the Warren County website using the following links:

Warren County website - <https://warrencountyny.gov/mma>

Warren County's YouTube Channel - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Vqz_m5h2Ip8&t=606s

Mr. Etu called the meeting of the Economic Growth & Development Committee to order at 11:43 a.m.

Copies of the Department of Workforce Development and Planning & Community Development meeting agendas were distributed; copies of the agendas are on file with the meeting minutes.

Motion was made by Ms. Turner, seconded by Mr. Maday and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Messrs. Strough, Dickinson and Wild absent*) to approve the minutes of the previous Committee meeting, subject to correction by the Clerk of the Board. Turner/Maday

Privilege of the floor and public comments were called for, but there was no one wishing to speak.

Privilege of the floor was extended to Beth Gilles, *Director, Lake Champlain-Lake George Regional Planning Board*, who provided a Power Point presentation entitled "2023 Year in Review" which she reviewed in detail. *A copy of the presentation is on file with the meeting minutes.*

Committee proceeded wait a review of the Discussion Items portion of the Planning & Community Development agenda, as follows:

1. Presentation of Annual Report. A Power Point presentation entitled "2023 Annual Report" was reviewed in detail. *A copy of the presentation is on file with the meeting minutes.*
2. Funding opportunity through Northern Borders Regional Commission Catalyst Program. There was a Catalyst program which was an environmental quality grant with 80% federal funding and a 20% local match where a letter of interest was due March 15th along with another round of funding available in September.
3. "2023 Accomplishments"; presentation by Lake Champlain-Lake George Regional Planning Board. Provided earlier in the meeting.

There being no further Planning & Community Development business to discuss, review of the Workforce Development agenda commenced with general workforce development updates, along with a Power Point presentation concerning an overview of the Department and a review of 2023; *a copy of the power point presentation is on file with the meeting minutes.*

There being no further Workforce Development business to discuss, privilege of the floor was extended to Jim Siplon, *President, Economic Development Corporation*, who informed he would provide a presentation of the year in review at the next meeting.

Privilege of the floor and public comments were called for, but there was no one wishing to speak.

As there was no further business to come before the Economic Growth & Development Committee, on motion made by Mr. Maday, seconded by Mr. Bean and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Messrs. Strough, Dickinson and Wild absent*), Mr. Etu adjourned the meeting at 12:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Molly Ganotes-Gleason, Legislative Office Specialist