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SULLIVAN COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Community and Economic Development Committee

January 7, 2014 10:00 A.M.

Committee Members: Ira Steingart (Chair); Kathy LaBuda (Vice Chair); Kitty Vetter; Cindy Kurpil Gieger; and Gene Benson

AGENDA

PRESENTATION: None

DISCUSSION ITEMS: None

RESOLUTIONS: None

DIVISION/PROGRAM UPDATE:

- Community & Economic Development Update
- Workforce Development Laura Quigley
- IDA Jennifer C.S. Brylinski
- Partnership for Economic Development Marc Baez
- Visitors Association Roberta Byron-Lockwood

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CED Committee January 2014 Planning

- Economic Development Master Plan update
 - Next Steering Committee meeting scheduled for January 7, 2014 to review draft of Plan to date.
 May present to Executive Board in January with a final draft for review.
- Micro-Enterprise Assistance Program (MAP)Grants
 - Anticipate closing project out in January and would be happy to present an overview of the project to show what was funded.
- Emerald Corporate Center EDC
 - Preparing a waiver request for granting agencies to allow more flexibility in the Park. Anticipate
 meeting with Rock Hill Business Community group to review project. One vacancy on the Board.
 Trying to schedule a meeting for early January.
- USDA RBOG Comprehensive Transportation Plan
 - Draft RFP sent to working group to review and comment. Anticipate sending RFP out in January to start the project.
- Small Business Development
 - Approval of a Main Street Business Revolving Loan Fund for Brandenburg Bakery in Livingston Manor
- Green Tourism Working Group
 - Green Lodging conference being planned for April 2014 to raise awareness of the Upper Delaware/Catskill/Pocono region, promote tourism, create pride in the region and establish BMPs for sustainable practices in hospitality. Participating agencies include Delaware Highlands Conservancy, Hospitality Green, SCVA, Catskill Watershed Corp, NPS, Sullivan Renaissance, Orange County and Pennsylvania organizations.
- Start-Up New York Program
 - Have been asked to sit on Advisory Board for the Sullivan 2020 grant to expand the program discussed at the Farming & Food Tech Summit at SUNY SCCC.

<u>ACTIVITY REPORT – JANUARY 2014</u> COUNTY OF SULLIVAN INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

December 30, 2013

The Agency received notification from New York State that its Food Hub project application submitted through the New York State Consolidated Application process was approved for \$200,000. Funds through this source would be used for food hub construction activities. Funds to assist with the purchasing of equipment and management have already been obtained through the US Department of Agriculture. Discussions on how to get funding for the remainder of the project cost will continue in January.

In December work continued on the Red Meat site in the Village of Liberty. Discussions regarding operations, financing, corporate structure, and other aspects of the project are continuing.

At the December 10th regular IDA meeting, the Board thanked members Harold Gold and Harris Alport for their dedicated service to the Agency. Both members have resigned from the Board effective December 31, 2013. The Board also discussed the Vodas/Davos project. Since that meeting the applicant has withdrawn the application and will resubmit it at a later date.

At the December 18th special meeting of the IDA, the Board authorized the Chairman or CEO to sign any required mortgage documents in regards to the Center One Holdings LLC project in Woodridge.

The Agency worked with several small businesses regarding IDA loan programs and applications, and with the Sullivan County Partnership for Economic Development on loan applications.

Work continued in the office to organize, calculate, and submit bills to Agency projects regarding their 2014 PILOT payments. Yearly audit and State reporting preparations have commenced for 2014.

Jennifer CS Brylinski IDA Executive Director