

MINUTES

PLANNING & RESEARCH COMMITTEE MEETING

Robert C. LaRocca, Chairman

Wednesday, June 27, 2012

4:00 PM

Economic Department Conference Room

Members Present	Members Excused	Staff	Guests
Chair R. LaRocca Vice Chair M. Luckern Supv. S. Casella Supv. F. Lightfoote Supv. D. Marshall	Supv. J. Marren	Kris Hughes Reliefia Kramer	John Garvey, County Administrator Pat Pavelsky, CCE Hope Silver Galens, CCE P.J. Emerick, SWCD Mike DeRaddo, Transportation Mike Manikowski, Econ Dev Mike Wojcik, Econ Dev Suzanne Vary, Econ Dev Kathy Bailey, Workforce Dev Valerie Knoblauch, Tourism

TIME	TOPIC	NOTES & DISCUSSION
4:00 PM	Opening of Meeting Approval of Minutes	Chair LaRocca opened the June 27, 2012 Planning and Research meeting at 4:00 p.m. Supervisor Marren was necessarily absent. <i>A motion was offered by Supervisor Marshall and seconded by Supervisor Lightfoote to approve the May 23, 2012 meeting minutes. Motion carried.</i>
4:01	Cornell Cooperative Extension	Chair LaRocca welcomed Pat Pavelsky and Hope Silver Galens. Ms. Pavelsky introduced Hope Silver Galens as the new Local Food Educator at CCE. Ms. Silver Galens discussed different initiatives being done locally to encourage procurement of local produce and meat/poultry. She explained that her job mission is dedicated to the education and awareness of local foods and farms in and around Ontario County and the Finger Lakes Region. She will be working directly with consumers. She informed the Committee that she will be hosting a series of home food preservation workshops. Ms. Silver Galens has also been working on an online food preservation library. Ms. Silver Galens distributed the Ontario County Local Food Guide. Chair LaRocca thanked Ms. Pavelsky and Ms. Silver Galens for her presentation.
4:11	OC SWCD	Chair LaRocca welcomed P.J. Emerick. Mr. Emerick discussed Hydrilla with the Committee. Hydrilla has been found in Cayuga Lake in Tompkins County. Tompkins County SWCD, working together

		<p>through the Soil and Water Committee, their County’s Board of Directors, and other team agencies, they came up with a solution. The solution is probably going to involve treatment. Mr. Emerick discussed different ways to help in stopping the spread of Hydrilla through their strong partnerships with other agencies. SWCD can administer funding from local, state or federal sources, do educational outreach, and work with other agencies such as Planning with mechanical harvesting. They can also help with completing permit applications with DEC.</p> <p>Chair LaRocca thanked Mr. Emerick.</p>
4:17	Transportation	<p>Chair LaRocca welcomed Mike DeRaddo.</p> <p>Mr. DeRaddo informed the committee that the West Ave Plaza Hub will start on August 15, 2012.</p> <p>Mr. DeRaddo also informed the committee that route match mobile data tablet implementation is online and is still on schedule for the fielding and training to be on July 9, 2012. RouteMatch will be here from Atlanta for three days for field training, implements, and ride alongs. They will train the trainers and the bus drivers allowing CATS to do their future trainings.</p> <p>Mr. DeRaddo will be doing a press release announcing the route changes on July 18, 2012.</p> <p>Chair LaRocca thanked Mr. DeRaddo.</p>
4:22	Economic Development	<p>Chair LaRocca welcomed Mike Manikowski, Michael Wojcik, Suzanne Vary, and Kathy Bailey.</p> <p>Mr. Manikowski requested \$40,000 from the program income funds to support a customized program - Incumbent Worker Training program. The program is for people that are already employed and need some specialized training to preserve their employment.</p> <p>Mr. Manikowski introduced Kathy Bailey from Workforce Development.</p> <p>Kathy Bailey informed the committee that they are completing the third round of the OJT (On The Job Training) program. She told the committee that they were able to offer eleven different businesses, eighteen OJT contracts. Ten have been successfully completed, seven are ongoing, and one scheduled to start in July. She explained that OJT is for unemployed people.</p> <p>Mr. Manikowski recommends approval of a resolution – RLF 2012 Program Income Workforce Development Grant</p> <p><i>A motion was offered by Supervisor Marshall and seconded by Supervisor Luckern to approve the above mentioned resolution. Motion carried.</i></p> <p>Chair LaRocca thanked everyone for their presentation.</p>
4:30	Tourism	<p>Chair LaRocca requested Kris Hughes (Tourism not present) to discuss and request approval of a resolution for Tourism – Ontario County Four Seasons Local Development Corporation, d.b.a. A Finger Lakes Visitors Connection, Ontario</p>

		<p>County, NY – Designation Tourist Promotion Agency and Authorization New York State Tourism Grant Program.</p> <p><i>A motion was offered by Supervisor Marshall and seconded by Supervisor Luckern to approve the above mentioned resolution. Motion carried.</i></p> <p>It was decided to hold agenda item 6B over until the next meeting because Tourism was not present at this time.</p>
4:34	Chair LaRocca	<p>Chair LaRocca opened up the meeting for discussion of the resolution requesting State Legislation To Allow The Use Of Rifles For Big Game Hunting in All Of Ontario County. There were members of the public at the meeting to voice their opinions of the resolution. Discussion took place regarding the resolution.</p> <p><i>A motion was offered by Supervisor Marshall and seconded by Supervisor Lightfoote to approve bringing the above mentioned resolution to the full board. 2 nays, 3 yays. Motion carried.</i></p>
4:47	Return to Tourism	<p>Chair LaRocca welcomed Valerie Knoblauch.</p> <p>Ms. Knoblauch discussed the Position Statement – Enhanced Gaming at Finger lakes Casino & Racetrack with the committee. It was decided that Ms. Knoblauch will work with County Administrator Garvey in the future to come up with a resolution to bring back to the committee.</p> <p>Chair LaRocca thanked Ms. Knoblauch.</p>
4:57	Planning	<p>Maria Rudzinski discussed the NYS Snowmobile Trails Grant-In-Aid Program: Phase I Trail System Prior Approval Application for 2012-2013. Using a map, Ms. Rudzinski showed the committee the status of the Ontario County Snowmobile Trails.</p> <p>Mr. Hughes informed the committee that he will be scheduling a budget only meeting sometime in August. He will send out an email with the dates.</p>
5:14 PM	Adjourn	<p><i>A motion to adjourn was offered by Supervisor Casella, and seconded by Supervisor Lightfoote. Unanimously carried.</i></p>

Respectfully Submitted,

Reliefa Kramer