

OPERATION OSWEGO COUNTY, INC.  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
44 West Bridge Street, Oswego  
September 11, 2023

PRESENT:

BENEDETTO	PETER-CLARK	TURNER
CULLINAN	RANSOM	WEBER
GRECO	SHARKEY IV	WEAVER
HEFFRON	SHATRAU	
HOLST	SOLAZZO	
MCCONNELL	TASCARELLA	

Ex-Officio: None

Staff: Kevin LaMontagne, Austin Wheelock, Evelyn LiVoti, Karen Perwitz and Erin Weaver

Counsel: Kevin C. Caraccioli

Guests: William Scriber

President Holst called the meeting to order at 3:04 p.m.

Mr. Wheelock introduced and welcomed Nate Emmons as the new Economic Development Coordinator; also introduced new Board of Director Members Diane Benedetto (National Grid) and Brian Heffron (CiTi BOCES).

President Holst listed the items in the Consent Agenda and asked if there were any reports in the Consent Agenda that anyone would like pulled out for further discussion. There were none.

CONSENT AGENDA

**On a motion by Mr. Tascarella, seconded by Mr. Solazzo, the Consent Agenda Items were approved, as follows: Board of Directors Meeting Minutes of May 8, 2023 and June 15, 2023 and Executive Committee Minutes of August 23, 2023.**

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**On a motion by Ms. Peter-Clark, seconded by Mr. Turner, the OOC Financial Statement of June 30, 2023, was approved.**

**On a motion by Ms. Peter-Clark, seconded by Mr. Turner, the OOCF Financial Statement of June 30, 2023, was approved.**

PORT OF OSWEGO AUTHORITY

Mr. Scriber, Executive Director and CEO of the Port of Oswego Authority made a presentation on the Economic Impacts of Maritime Shipping at the Port of Oswego.

SBA 504 Loan Program

Mr. LaMontagne reported that we are at the final stages of the voluntary removal from the SBA 504 loan program.

2024 OOC ACTION PLAN

Mr. Wheelock gave an update on the process of updating the OOC Action Plan, stating that the Board Committees would be meeting to take a more active role in the plan.

OOC MARKETING & PROMOTION INITIATIVES

Ms. LiVoti outlined the initiatives the Marketing & Development Committee are taking in the promotion of Oswego County. These initiatives include but are not limited to the collaboration with various County partners.

2023 FOUNDATION FUND DRIVE

Ms. LiVoti gave an update on the progress of the 2023 Fund Drive. Contribution letters have been sent to the Board of Directors with the contribution letters to stakeholders going out soon.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS/INITIATIVES

The following projects and initiatives were reviewed by Mr. Wheelock and Mr. LaMontagne: Market House Oswego, LMTOCIP Expansion, ConnexCare, Oswego County Micron Steering Committee, Adventures at Burritt Motors, CFA Round 13 Update, Tonia Enterprises, Inc. and Highland Animal Hospital.

ADJOURNMENT

**On a motion by Mr. Ransom, seconded by Mr. Greco, the meeting was adjourned at 4:50 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

Peter Cullinan  
Secretary