

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

PRESENT:

BROADWELL	MASON	TUCKER
BEHLING	MURPHY	TURNER
CULLINAN	PETER-CLARK	WEBER
GALLOWAY	RANSOM	WEAVER
GRECO	SHATRAU	
HEFFRON	SOLAZZO	
HOLST	TASCARELLA	

Ex-Officio: Dr. Peter Nwosu and Gary Toth

Staff: Kevin LaMontagne, Austin Wheelock, Nate Emmons and Karen Perwitz

Counsel: Kevin C. Caraccioli

Guests: None

President Holst called the meeting to order at 3:01 p.m.

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. Ransom, seconded by Mr. Galloway, the Consent Agenda Items were approved, as follows: Board of Directors Meeting Minutes of September 11, 2023, Executive Committee Minutes of November 9, 2023 and November 30, 2023, Real Estate Development Committee of October 19, 2023 and Marketing and Development Committee of November 17, 2023.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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

2024 ACTION PLAN

Mr. Wheelock reviewed the draft of the 2024 Action Plan. Following a discussion, on a motion by Mr. Broadwell, seconded by Mr. Tascarella the 2024 Action Plan was approved.

SUMMARY RESULTS OF THE CONFIDENTIAL EVALUATION OF BOARD PERFORMANCE

Mr. Wheelock reviewed the summary results. Mr. Wheelock informed the board that the ABO would not accept anything other than 100% participation. On a motion by Mr. Behling, seconded by Mr. Weber, authorization was given to submit the Summary Results of the Confidential Evaluation of Board Performance to the ABO.

OOC STAFFING

Mr. Wheelock informed the board of directors that Evelyn LiVoti would be leaving the company at the year end. Mr. Wheelock thanked Ms. LiVoti for her 11 years of service to Operation Oswego County, Inc. The search for a new Marketing and Communications Manager is underway.

OOO MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

Mr. Wheelock presented a newsletter that will be sent out electronically and via mail to all board members of OOC and the IDA as well as Legislators and elected officials.

COVID-19 EMERGENCY RELIEF LOAN

Mr. LaMontagne reviewed the program that will sunset as of the end of the year with the remaining balance of un-lent money to the IDA and reviewed the remaining loans in the program.

SBA 504 LOAN PROGRAM

Mr. LaMontagne gave an update on the voluntary removal from the SBA 504 Loan Program by Operation Oswego County. All files have been sent to SBA at their direction and our participation in the program has formally ended.

FUND DRIVE

Mr. Wheelock gave an update on the progress of the current Fund Drive.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS/INITIATIVES

The following projects and initiatives were reviewed by Mr. Wheelock and Mr. LaMontagne: Adventure at Burritts, LeChase Development Services, LLC (ConnexCare), Canfield Machine & Tool, Novelis PFRAP Grant, Daldrop, ACLS, FABSite Industries, Small Business Lending Activity, Oswego County Micron Steering Committee, Village of Phoenix – NY Forward Grant Local Planning Commission, NYS Consolidated Funding Application Round 13 – 2023, DRI/NY Forward Round 2 and REDI.

NEXT MEETING

March 18, 2024

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Mr. Greco, seconded by Mr. Ransom, the meeting was adjourned at 4:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter Cullinan
Secretary