

TIOGA COUNTY ED&P/TOURISM/CCE/SOIL & WATER

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE AGENDA

March 8th, 2022

1:00 PM

- MINUTES
 - Approval of minutes of February 8th, 2022
- FINANCIAL
 - Economic Development- tracking
 - Planning- tracking
 - Sustainability Management- tracking
- OLD BUSINESS
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 - Land Bank
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- PERSONNEL
 - PT- OSII
- RESOLUTIONS
 - C02 -Authorize Submission of FEMA HMP Update Grant Application
 - C22-Re-Appoint Member (J Ward) to the TCLDC Board
 - C23-Re-Appoint Member (M Kiechle) to the TCLDC Board
 - C24-Authorization for EDP to Submit Grant Application to CDBG-CV Cares Act Program for Racker
 - C25-Resolution to Schedule Public Hearing NYS CDBG-CV for Racker Project

- C26-Authorization for EDP to Submit Grant Application to CDBG-CV Cares Act for Tioga Opportunities
 - C27-Resolution to Schedule Public Hearing CDBG-CV for TOI Project
 - C30-Filing of an Application for State Grant
- PROCLAMATIONS- N/A
- ADJOURNMENT

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & PLANNING TOURISM/AGRICULTURE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING February 8, 2022

ATTENDEES:

Legislators: Barbara Roberts, Dale Weston, Ron Ciotoli, Dennis Mullen, Marte Sauerbrey

Staff: LeeAnn Tinney, Linda Sampson, Cathy Haskell

Guests: Becca Maffei, Tioga County Tourism Director

Committee Chair, Legislator Barbara Roberts, called the meeting to order at 1:00 P.M.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & PLANNING (ED&P): LeeAnn Tinney – Agenda and attachments previously emailed. Ms. Tinney reported the following:

I. MINUTES

A. Approval of minutes of January 4th, 2022

Ms. Tinney asked for approval of the minutes from the January 4, 2022 committee meeting. Legislator Weston made a motion to accept the January 4, 2022 minutes, seconded by Legislator Mullen. All were in favor.

II. FINANCIAL

The Year-to-Date Budget reports are in the committee packets; Ms. Tinney reported the following budgets are all tracking:

- A. Economic Development
- B. Planning
- C. Sustainability Management

III. OLD BUSINESS

A. Reports – Ms. Tinney introduced Ms. Maffei.

1. Tioga County Tourism Director, Becca Maffei - Monthly report previously emailed. Ms. Maffei reviewed her report highlighting: DRI Wayfinding Sign Project, American Rescue Plan Act Funds, Tioga Arts Council 50th Anniversary Celebration, Recruitment Website, Agricultural Resource Group/Finger Lakes Farm Country, Events, ILNY Matching Funds Cooperative Marketing Program and Outdoor Promotion.

Ms. Tinney reported the following reports were previously emailed and are in the committee packet distributed:

2. Cornell Cooperative Extension

3. Tioga County Soil & Water Conservation District

B. Grants

1. Status – Ms. Tinney reported on the status of grants the ED&P Department is involved in:
 - a. Potential - 10
 - b. Pending - 10
 - c. Active - 27
 - d. Completed – 6
 - i. Village of Owego RESTORE – Of the 6 completed, Ms. Tinney is very pleased to report the Briggs and Awad building is complete.

C. Economic/Community Development

1. Village of Owego
 - a. Downtown Revitalization Initiative (DRI) - Administration is ongoing.
 - b. NY Main Street on North Avenue - Administration is ongoing.
 - c. RESTORE – As noted earlier, the Briggs and Awad project is complete.
2. Village of Waverly
 - a. RESTORE – Twigg Building; nearing completion
 - b. Mural Project- Working with the school and other parties on a gateway beautification project in Waverly.
3. Town of Nichols
 - a. Sweeper/Vacuum Truck; shared services grant – Truck ordered; waiting for it to come in. This is a shared project between the Village of Owego, Town of Owego, Tioga County and Village of Nichols; the truck is to be shared among the municipalities.
4. Village of Candor
 - a. NY Main Street – Project is ongoing; \$500,000 for restoration of public buildings on Main Street in Candor.
5. Municipalities
 - a. Visits - Ms. Tinney visited the Town of Nichols.
 - b. Snowmobile Grants – Ms. Ortu continues to work on this project impacting several of our municipalities.
6. Annual Breakfast
 - a. Date moved to Thursday, April 28th; hoping the impact of Covid keeps improving.
 - b. Location - Tioga Downs.

D. Land Bank

1. Temple & Liberty Street Properties
 - a. Demolitions should begin early February; any day now.
 - b. Village of Owego Local Approval Process continues – The Planning Board meets on February 22nd and the Zoning Board of Appeals meets on February 23rd; hopeful for approvals to move the Ithaca Neighborhood Housing Services Project forward.
2. Owego Apalachin Central School District and the Land Bank are working together on the following:
 - a. Hooker Foundation funding application.

- b. Property Acquisition Project – The Land Bank will purchase a property and the school district will work with their students to rehab the property for resale to then be reinvested in another property.
- E. Workforce Development
 - 1. Workforce Pipeline Development Study- implementation
- F. Planning – Ms. Jardine continues to work on the following:
 - 1. Marijuana Regulation and Taxation Act (MRTA)- Summary may be final the end of the month.
 - 2. Tioga County Legislative Redistricting Plan – Provided assistance.
 - 3. Town of Richford; subdivision waiver request – Provided assistance.
- G. Sustainability Management
 - 1. Renewable Energy Best Practices Study – MRB Group hired to help with a study of best practices for municipalities to use when working with solar companies coming to the area.
- H. IDA
 - 1. Lounsberry Industrial Pocket – The IDA is working with a developer who wants to build 6 12,000 square foot light industrial, manufacturing-type buildings. Ms. Tinney expressed a need for this type of building in the region; hoping this project moves forward.
 - 2. Owego Gardens II – This project continues to move forward. Home Leasing is on schedule with building. They are anticipating being able to open up one group of town houses in May or June for people to move in.
- I. Misc.
 - 1. GIS mapping continues.
 - 2. GIS/IDA/EDP – Mapping project of available sites on our website for public use continues.
 - 3. Annual Ag Inclusion – There were no new properties added during the open enrollment period to the Ag District this year.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Reports
- B. Grants
 - 1. 2021 CFA Awards received:
 - a. Tioga County Shared Technology Services - \$103,522.00 – IT expansion to the Village of Owego and Town of Candor.
 - b. Village of Owego Police Station Restoration - \$468,416.00.
 - c. Village of Waverly Economic Study on where to focus efforts for growth within the Village - \$25,000.00.
 - 2. CDBG CARES Act - This grant is now open to allow not-for-profits to apply through a municipality. A resolution will be coming in March looking for approval to apply. A public hearing will also be required on the following:
 - a. Tioga Opportunities - ED&P has been approached by Tioga Opportunities to apply on their behalf for CARES Act Funding.
 - b. Racker - ED&P has been approached by Racker to apply on their behalf for CARES Act Funding.

C. Economic/Community Development

1. Town of Nichols

a. Broadband

- i. USDA ReConnect Grant; Southern Tier Network (STN) - Applying for a USDA ReConnect Grant allowing for expansion of broadband fiber to unserved and underserved areas identified in the Town of Nichols. The Legislature previously approved \$750,000.00 of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds for the purpose of expanding broadband. Of that amount, we are looking for up to \$300,000.00 to use for this particular project. Resolution for approval listed below.

2. Presentations – No presentations this month.

D. Land Bank

E. Workforce Development

1. Business Visits

- a. NYSEG – Met to discuss ongoing projects.

F. Planning

1. ST8 Board

- a. Legislator Roberts appointed to serve on the Southern Tier 8 Board.

2. Training

- a. NYSERDA- Renewable Energy – Ms. Jardine has put together a series of 5 trainings made available to our municipalities.

3. 239 Reviews (1)

- a. Town of Candor- 2022-001, Solar Energy Systems Site Plan Review, Delaware River Solar, 4.98 MW resulted in non-action. This will go back to the Town of Candor Planning Board without a recommendation.

G. Sustainability Management – Ms. Pratt is working on the following:

1. Senior Residents Hazardous Material Collection is being planned.
2. End Food Waste- Partnering with Public Health & CCE on this project.
3. Candor Land Fill
4. Tioga County Energy Action Plan – Exploring the possibility of a study. The state has put together an aggressive plan to move toward renewable energy. Requirements will be placed on residence and municipalities to meet that goal. The study would be proactive; looking into what this would involve and to provide guidance.

H. IDA

1. American Pride Solar - A solar panel manufacturing business looking at the Sanmina building; project is moving slowly.

I. Misc.

1. State Lead Responses – Provided property locations for the following leads:
 - a. Project Scroll
 - b. Project Electrode

V. PERSONNEL

A. Education Workforce Coordinator

1. Sean Lanning - Started employment on January 31st.

B. Part Time - OSII

1. This position remains vacant.

Not on the agenda, Ms. Tinney mentioned there is pending legislature in the state senate and assembly having to do with Perm 75; a recently enacted regulation that requires fees be paid for any municipality looking to extend broadband in any state-controlled right-of-way. The intent is to connect everybody to fiber, however enacting this Perm 75 prohibits this from happening. The Tioga County Legislature passed a resolution in 2021 that requested rescinding of the fees. Ms. Tinney distributed the following certified resolution: Resolution No. 73-21 Requesting the Rescinding of the New York State Fiber Right-of-Way Fee Ms. Tinney reached out to Assemblyman Friend and Senator Akshar to ask for their support of the Legislation that is out there now. Unless our legislature asks, Ms. Tinney will not put forward another resolution.

Also, not on the agenda, Legislator Weston mentioned that some of the local cemeteries are in poor condition and asked if there was funding to fixup or repair them. Ms. Tinney reported ED&P has not been involved in anything like this up to this point, but could look into what this might involve. Ms. Tinney suggested that the entity responsible could get in touch with our office and we could connect them with someone who may be able to provide assistance.

VI. RESOLUTION

- A. B28-American Rescue Plan Act Funds as Match for Southern Tier Network USDA Reconnect Grant

After reviewing the resolution, Ms. Tinney asked this committee for support to move this resolution forward; vote on the resolution follows:

Legislator Roberts -	yes
Legislator Mullen -	yes
Legislator Weston -	yes
Legislator Ciotoli -	yes

Ms. Haskell asked Ms. Tinney what the timeframe was for the public hearing on the above mentioned resolution. Ms. Tinney mentioned it will be awhile as the date to submit the grant is February 22nd and is hoping to extend that deadline. Ms. Haskell asked Ms. Tinney to be aware that USDA has a 5-day limit on when the public hearing gets published in the newspaper and CDBG has a 7-day limit on when the public hearing gets published in the newspaper.

VII. PROCLAMATIONS- N/A

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

With no further topics of discussion or questions, the meeting was adjourned at 1:47 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,
Linda Sampson
Administrative Assistant Economic Development & Planning



TIOGA COUNTY, NEW YORK

Tioga County YEAR-TO-DATE BUDGET REPORT

FOR 2022 01

ACCOUNTS FOR:	ORIGINAL	TRANFRS/	REVISED	YTD ACTUAL	ENCUMBRANCES	AVAILABLE	PCT
A	APPROP	ADJSTMTS	BUDGET			BUDGET	USE/COL
A6422 Economic Development							
A6422 411132	Tax On Hotel/Motel	-30,000	0	-30,000	.00	.00	-30,000.00 .0%
A6422 419890	Contribution To Ec	-20,000	0	-20,000	.00	.00	-20,000.00 .0%
A6422 421891	Other Home & Commu	-26,200	0	-26,200	.00	.00	-26,200.00 .0%
A6422 510010	Full Time	277,161	0	277,161	11,335.50	.00	265,825.50 4.1%
A6422 510020	Part Time/Temporar	12,190	0	12,190	.00	.00	12,190.00 .0%
A6422 540010	Advertising	3,000	0	3,000	-49.50	.00	3,049.50 -1.7%
A6422 540040	Books	450	0	450	.00	.00	450.00 .0%
A6422 540070	Car Maintenance	2,000	0	2,000	.00	.00	2,000.00 .0%
A6422 540180	Dues	400	0	400	173.00	.00	227.00 43.3%
A6422 540220	Automobile Fuel	150	0	150	.00	.00	150.00 .0%
A6422 540320	Leased/Service Equ	1,320	0	1,320	.00	.00	1,320.00 .0%
A6422 540360	Meals/Food	750	0	750	.00	.00	750.00 .0%
A6422 540420	Office Supplies	1,280	0	1,280	28.60	.00	1,251.40 2.2%
A6422 540480	Postage	380	0	380	.00	.00	380.00 .0%
A6422 540485	Printing/Paper	1,500	0	1,500	.00	.00	1,500.00 .0%
A6422 540590	Services Rendered	20,000	0	20,000	-3,500.00	.00	23,500.00 -17.5%
A6422 540620	Software Expense	100	0	100	.00	.00	100.00 .0%
A6422 540660	Telephone	740	0	740	.00	.00	740.00 .0%
A6422 540733	Training/All other	5,000	0	5,000	350.00	.00	4,650.00 7.0%
A6422 581088	State Retirement F	15,206	0	15,206	1,449.01	.00	13,757.39 9.5%
A6422 583088	Social Security Fr	22,030	0	22,030	1,461.53	.00	20,568.24 6.6%
A6422 584088	Workers Compensati	8,944	0	8,944	400.06	.00	8,543.64 4.5%
A6422 585588	Disability Insuran	384	0	384	21.32	.00	363.12 5.5%
A6422 586088	Health Insurance F	56,915	0	56,915	4,254.16	.00	52,660.75 7.5%
A6422 588988	Eap Fringe	88	0	88	4.58	.00	83.22 5.2%
TOTAL Economic Development		353,788	0	353,788	15,928.26	.00	337,859.76 4.5%
TOTAL General Fund		353,788	0	353,788	15,928.26	.00	337,859.76 4.5%
TOTAL REVENUES		-76,200	0	-76,200	.00	.00	-76,200.00
TOTAL EXPENSES		429,988	0	429,988	15,928.26	.00	414,059.76



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GRAND TOTAL	353,788	0	353,788	15,928.26	.00	337,859.76	4.5%

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A General Fund							

A8020 Planning

A8020 510010	Full Time	150,743	0	150,743	6,259.40	.00	144,483.60	4.2%
A8020 540010	Advertising	200	0	200	.00	.00	200.00	.0%
A8020 540040	Books	600	0	600	.00	.00	600.00	.0%
A8020 540140	Contracting Servic	22,000	0	22,000	.00	.00	22,000.00	.0%
A8020 540180	Dues	800	0	800	400.00	.00	400.00	50.0%
A8020 540220	Automobile Fuel	200	0	200	.00	.00	200.00	.0%
A8020 540320	Leased/Service Equ	1,200	0	1,200	.00	.00	1,200.00	.0%
A8020 540360	Meals/Food	190	0	190	.00	.00	190.00	.0%
A8020 540390	Mileage Expense	600	0	600	.00	.00	600.00	.0%
A8020 540420	Office Supplies	500	0	500	.00	.00	500.00	.0%
A8020 540480	Postage	900	0	900	.00	.00	900.00	.0%
A8020 540485	Printing/Paper	1,000	0	1,000	.00	.00	1,000.00	.0%
A8020 540590	Services Rendered	4,875	0	4,875	.00	.00	4,875.00	.0%
A8020 540660	Telephone	600	0	600	.00	.00	600.00	.0%
A8020 540733	Training/All Other	1,200	0	1,200	.00	.00	1,200.00	.0%
A8020 581088	State Retirement F	11,872	0	11,872	1,097.41	.00	10,774.97	9.2%
A8020 583088	Social Security Fr	10,535	0	10,535	860.48	.00	9,674.33	8.2%
A8020 584088	Workers Compensati	2,449	0	2,449	187.58	.00	2,261.10	7.7%
A8020 585588	Disability Insuran	136	0	136	10.00	.00	125.72	7.4%
A8020 586088	Health Insurance F	44,033	0	44,033	3,222.08	.00	40,811.39	7.3%
A8020 588988	Eap Fringe	29	0	29	2.14	.00	26.98	7.3%
TOTAL Planning		254,662	0	254,662	12,039.09	.00	242,623.09	4.7%
TOTAL General Fund		254,662	0	254,662	12,039.09	.00	242,623.09	4.7%
TOTAL EXPENSES		254,662	0	254,662	12,039.09	.00	242,623.09	



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GRAND TOTAL	254,662	0	254,662	12,039.09	.00	242,623.09	4.7%

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ACCOUNTS FOR:	ORIGINAL	TRANFRS/	REVISED	YTD ACTUAL	ENCUMBRANCES	AVAILABLE	PCT
A General Fund	APPROP	ADJSTMTS	BUDGET			BUDGET	USE/COL
A8160 Refuse & Garbage							
A8160 439892	Solid Waste State	-28,000	0	-28,000	.00	.00	-28,000.00 .0%
A8160 510010	Fulltime	61,961	0	61,961	7,591.70	.00	54,369.30 12.3%
A8160 510050	All Other-On Call,	325	0	325	.00	.00	325.00 .0%
A8160 540010	Advertising	7,500	0	7,500	352.00	128.80	7,019.20 6.4%
A8160 540180	Dues	175	0	175	.00	.00	175.00 .0%
A8160 540270	Insurance-Liabilit	1,425	0	1,425	1,275.55	.00	149.45 89.5%
A8160 540390	Mileage Expense	167	0	167	.00	.00	166.75 .0%
A8160 540420	Office Supplies	2,000	0	2,000	.00	.00	2,000.00 .0%
A8160 540444	Permits, Fees, Ins	100	0	100	.00	.00	100.00 .0%
A8160 540480	Postage	200	0	200	.00	.00	200.00 .0%
A8160 542140	Contracting Servic	100,000	0	100,000	202.50	11,140.00	88,657.50 11.3%
A8160 542261	Household Hazardou	75,000	0	75,000	.00	.00	75,000.00 .0%
A8160 542485	Printing/Paper	1,500	0	1,500	.00	.00	1,500.00 .0%
A8160 542640	Supplies (Not Offi	11,000	0	11,000	.00	.00	11,000.00 .0%
A8160 542680	Tires	3,900	0	3,900	.00	.00	3,900.00 .0%
A8160 581088	State Retirement F	7,587	0	7,587	1,392.84	.00	6,194.16 18.4%
A8160 583088	Social Security Fr	4,396	0	4,396	727.55	.00	3,668.45 16.6%
A8160 584088	Workers Compensati	1,411	0	1,411	195.88	.00	1,215.12 13.9%
A8160 585588	Disability Insuran	113	0	113	10.44	.00	102.56 9.2%
A8160 586088	Health Insurance F	9,585	0	9,585	1,648.32	.00	7,936.68 17.2%
A8160 588988	EAP Fringe	115	0	115	2.24	.00	112.76 1.9%
TOTAL Refuse & Garbage		260,460	0	260,460	13,399.02	11,268.80	235,791.93 9.5%
TOTAL General Fund		260,460	0	260,460	13,399.02	11,268.80	235,791.93 9.5%
TOTAL REVENUES		-28,000	0	-28,000	.00	.00	-28,000.00
TOTAL EXPENSES		288,460	0	288,460	13,399.02	11,268.80	263,791.93



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GRAND TOTAL	260,460	0	260,460	13,399.02	11,268.80	235,791.93	9.5%

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February 2022 CCE Agricultural Highlights

Prepared for Tioga County Legislature Update

4-H & Youth Development

- Tractor and Machinery Operation Certification 10 week course active Feb-April. Kick-off held at Hilltop Community Farm. Other community partners include Lindsey Equipment, Goodrich Auction, Joe Signs, Power & Paddle, Coleman's, Frisbie's and Iron Kettle.
- Candor School district to offer Animal Science and Environmental Education courses this fall at Hilltop Community Farm.
- Waverly CSD launched pilot project with CCE Tioga workforce program to support newly graduated youth needing assistance with job search.
- Offering 4-H Food Systems Exploration curriculum

Strengthening ties for Youth in Agriculture across Tioga County

- Partnering with Rural Health Network to launch Prescription Fruit and Vegetable CSA program at Richford Clinic.
- Adding more Master Gardener connections to youth interested in growing food.
- Partnering with FFA in school districts for local animal science projects, Tioga County Fair and CareerX
- Collaborating with SUNY system for certificate courses in Clean Energy jobs. Will use students to help install new Agrivoltaics (Solar and Sheep) demonstration site at Hilltop Community Farm.
- Strengthening the pipeline of careers in agriculture for both youth and veterans.

Other Community Engagement

- Communicated call to action for highly pathogenic avian disease outbreak in NYS.
- Attended session at NENY (New Energy New York) Climate convening Feb 24th. Many regional opportunities to foster youth careers with local manufacturers (Lockheed Martin, Raymond etc.) who are expanding their battery storage production operations.
- Please see highlights from the Agriculture Resource Group below.



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Respectfully submitted,

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Agriculture Resource Group Meeting

February 23, 2022

Barb Neal, assisted by Janice Degni, presented the latest on industrial hemp (CBD hemp as well as grain and fiber hemp). We also had a discussion on farmers and cannabis growing, and in fact, a law was passed just the day before that fast-tracks farmers who had held a hemp growing license and had grown hemp in two of the last four years into a cannabis license, should they choose to grow that plant.

Next month there will be conversation about carbon markets and payments for ecosystem services.

Agency reports:

South Central Dairy and Field Crop Team:

- Active workshop season, all done virtually
- Some of the classes have DEC credits available
- The Dairy Managers' meetings are centered around ag labor issues
- The Winter Crop Series wraps up with a presentation on sustainability March 23, 1 pm
- Working on the Dairy Farm Business Summary for 2021—creates a benchmark for dairy farmers to assess their farm's production

Tioga County Soil and Water:

- Busy planning to apply for funding for a number of projects
- Funding is secure for a summer buffer steward intern
- Arbor Day Community Day at Hickories Park, April 23rd
- Planning for Sundaes at the Farm ongoing—site selection

NRCS:

- Taking applications for all programs, especially EQIP



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REFERRED TO:

ED&P COMMITTEE
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. -22

AUTHORIZE SUBMISSION OF
HAZARDOUS MITIGATION PLANNING
GRANT APPLICATION EMERGENCY
MANAGEMENT, SOIL & WATER,
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT &
PLANNING

WHEREAS: Tioga County currently has an approved Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Multijurisdictional Multi Hazards Mitigation Plan (HMP); and

WHEREAS: The County's current HMP expires in August of 2024 and FEMA requires five-year HMP updates to be completed before their current expiration date; and

WHEREAS: FEMA has made funding available to NYS Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Services (DHSES) to update Hazard Mitigation Plans; and

WHEREAS: Tioga County Departments of Economic Development & Planning, Emergency Services and Soil & Water Conservation District partner on these HMP updates; and

WHEREAS: Tioga County is eligible for these funds and has been encouraged by NYS DHSES staff to apply this year for our County's HMP Update; and

WHEREAS: This funding is available to cover 75% of the project cost with a required local match of 25%; and

WHEREAS: In 2023, Economic Development and Planning will have \$22,000 available between budget line items of A8020.540140 Contract Services and A8020.540590 Services Rendered and Emergency Services will have \$3,000 available in budget line item A3640.540140 Contract Services totaling a \$25,000 local match and enabling a \$100,000 total grant application; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Tioga County Legislature hereby authorizes said grant application to FEMA for a Tioga County HMP Update in an amount not to exceed \$100,000 and authorizes the Chair of the County Legislature to sign any and all grant related paperwork upon review of the County Attorney.

REFERRED TO:

ED&P COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. -22

RE-APPOINT MEMBER TO THE TIOGA
COUNTY LOCAL DEVELOPMENT
CORPORATION (TCLDC)

WHEREAS: The term of Tioga County Local Development Corporation member, Jon Ward, will expire as of March 31, 2022; and

WHEREAS: Jon Ward has expressed a desire for re-appointment to serve another term; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Tioga County Legislature hereby re-appoint Jon Ward for another three-year term of 4/1/22 – 3/31/25.



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Economic Development:

- There were no new inclusions in the Agriculture Districts
- Planning for a meeting in April for the Ag and Farmland Protection Board to review the findings of the solar development report that is currently being developed

FSA:

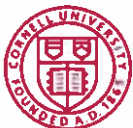
- There are a lot of programs that are in the works, farmers should check in to see what is new
- The organic transition program enrolled 10 farms in Tioga County
- Paying \$5 per acre for cover crops
- The office is open to the public again

Tourism:

- Finger Lakes Farm Country—Barb and Becca are working together to enroll farms and keep them in the loop—a lot of marketing materials will be developed this year.
- The FLFC app is up and live
- Becca will attend the International Agritourism Conference in Burlington, VT this summer
- Maple Weekend is March 19 and 20 and then again March 26/27. Three farms in Tioga County are participating.

Cornell Cooperative Extension:

- Planning is ongoing for the farm and especially planning for the farm incubator.
- Two roundtables will be held—one in horticulture and one in livestock for beginning farmers
- Experienced farmers will also be included in the planning of the farm to ensure buy-in and to see if there is an opportunity to have a CSA that includes both new and existing farmers.
- Several Amish families are seeking home processor licenses and new avenues for marketing their products
- Working with interested parties on the future of the Owego Farmers Market
- Working with local churches and EDP to connect farmers to commercial kitchens
- As the Regional Navigator for Tioga County, connecting with realtors as well as helped a farm list their property on Farmland for a New Generation



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REFERRED TO:

ED&P COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. -22

RE-APPOINT MEMBER TO THE TIOGA
COUNTY LOCAL DEVELOPMENT
CORPORATION (TCLDC)

WHEREAS: The term of Tioga County Local Development Corporation member, Marcia Kiechle, will expire as of March 31, 2022; and

WHEREAS: Marcia Kiechle has expressed a desire for re-appointment to serve another term; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Tioga County Legislature hereby re-appoint Marcia Kiechle for another three-year term of 4/1/22 – 3/31/25.

REFERRED TO: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. -22 AUTHORIZATION FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING TO SUBMIT GRANT APPLICATION TO NYS CDBG-CV CARES ACT PROGRAM AND AUTHORIZE LEGISLATIVE CHAIR SIGNATURE ON GRANT RELATED DOCUMENTS FOR RACKER NON-PROFIT HUB PROJECT

WHEREAS: Racker intends to construct a 15,000 SF non-profit hub on a 1.6-acre parcel on North Depot Street in the Village of Owego estimated at \$5,824,000 that will address an abundance of needs in Tioga County for the vulnerable and underserved populations disproportionately impacted by the COVID-19 crisis; and

WHEREAS: The non-profit hub will allow Racker and partnering organizations to provide services and programs for people with disabilities and poverty stricken families, early childhood services, immigrant services, and various other community needs; and

WHEREAS: The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)-CV Cares Act program is administered by the NYS Office of Community Renewal (OCR), and will make available to eligible local governments approximately \$127,000,000 for Small Business Assistance, Public Facilities/Infrastructure, Housing Improvements, and Public Services activities that respond to the impacts of COVID-19 crisis; and

WHEREAS: Tioga County is proposing the submittal of an application under the CDBG-CV program in the amount of \$3,000,000 to assist Racker with the aforementioned project; and

WHEREAS: Racker will be providing the balance of the project cost through a combination of other committed grants sources and cash match; and

WHEREAS: The proposed project is an eligible activity under the CDBG-CV program and Tioga County, NY, as a non-entitlement unit of local government, is an eligible entity to apply for and receive CDBG-CV funds; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Tioga County Legislature authorizes said grant application in the amount of \$3,000,000 and upon award, authorizes the Chair of the Legislature to sign any and all grant-related contract and other paperwork, contingent upon review by the County Attorney.

REFERRED TO: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING
COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. -22 SCHEDULE PUBLIC HEARING FOR
NEW YORK STATE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
BLOCK GRANT FOR RACKER NON-PROFIT HUB
PROJECT

WHEREAS: Racker intends to construct a 15,000 SF non-profit hub on a 1.6-acre parcel on North Depot Street in the Village of Owego estimated at \$5,824,000 that will address an abundance of needs in Tioga County for the vulnerable and underserved populations disproportionately impacted by the COVID-19 crisis; and

WHEREAS: The non-profit hub will allow Racker and partnering organizations to provide services and programs for people with disabilities and poverty stricken families, early childhood services, immigrant services, and various other community needs; and

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WHEREAS: The proposed project is an eligible activity under the NYS CDBG-CV Cares Act program and Tioga County, NY, as a non-entitlement unit of local government, is an eligible entity to apply for and receive CDBG-CV funds; and

WHEREAS: The Tioga County Legislature is required to hold a public hearing allowing for citizen feedback on the community and economic development needs of Tioga County and the proposed project; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Tioga County Legislature will hold a public hearing for community input in regards to the current Community Development Block Grant project in the Edward D. Hubbard Auditorium of the Ronald E. Dougherty County Office Building, 56 Main Street, Owego, New York 13827 on Thursday, March 24, 2022 at 10:00 A.M. All persons desiring to present written or oral comments may do so at said time.

REFERRED TO:

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING
COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. -22

AUTHORIZATION FOR ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING TO SUBMIT
GRANT APPLICATION TO NYS CDBG-CV CARES
ACT PROGRAM AND AUTHORIZE LEGISLATIVE
CHAIR SIGNATURE ON GRANT RELATED
DOCUMENTS FOR TIOGA OPPORTUNITIES, INC.
BUILDING UPGRADE AND GENERATOR
PURCHASE PROJECT

WHEREAS: Tioga Opportunities, Inc. (TOI) intends to upgrade and expand the existing HVAC system at the Countryside Community Center, located at 9 Sheldon Guile Blvd, Owego, NY 13827 to provide ventilation throughout the entire building, enhance air filtration, and sanitize air to keep vulnerable populations safe, improve air quality, and reduce transmission of airborne illnesses and risk of exposure; and

WHEREAS: TOI also intends to install a 24kw generator at the Nichols Schoolhouse Apartments, located at 84 Cady Ave, Nichols, NY 13812 to power the complex's common room so that in the event of a power outage, residents could power necessary medical equipment, charge personal items, and prepare food; and

WHEREAS: The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)-CV program is administered by the NYS Office of Community Renewal (OCR), and will make available to eligible local governments approximately \$127,000,000 for Small Business Assistance, Public Facilities/Infrastructure, Housing Improvements, and Public Services activities that respond to the impacts of COVID-19 crisis; and

WHEREAS: Tioga County is proposing the submittal of an application under the CDBG-CV program in the amount of \$300,000 to assist TOI with the aforementioned project; and

WHEREAS: The proposed project is an eligible activity under the CDBG-CV program and Tioga County, NY, as a non-entitlement unit of local government, is an eligible entity to apply for and receive CDBG-CV funds; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Tioga County Legislature authorizes said grant application in the amount of \$300,000 and upon award, authorizes the Chair of the Legislature to sign any and all grant-related contract and other paperwork, contingent upon review by the County Attorney.

REFERRED TO:

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING
COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. -22

SCHEDULE PUBLIC HEARING FOR
NEW YORK STATE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
BLOCK GRANT FOR TIOGA OPPORTUNITIES, INC.
BUILDING UPGRADE AND GENERATOR
PURCHASE PROJECT

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WHEREAS: The proposed project is an eligible activity under the NYS CDBG-CV Cares Act program and Tioga County, NY, as a non-entitlement unit of local government, is an eligible entity to apply for and receive CDBG-CV funds; and

WHEREAS: The Tioga County Legislature is required to hold a public hearing allowing for citizen feedback on the community and economic development needs of Tioga County and the proposed project; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Tioga County Legislature will hold a public hearing for community input in regards to the current Community Development Block Grant project in the Edward D. Hubbard Auditorium of the Ronald E. Dougherty County Office Building, 56 Main Street, Owego, New York 13827 on Thursday, March 24, 2022 at 10:05 A.M. All persons desiring to present written or oral comments may do so at said time.

REFERRED TO:

ED&P COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. -22

FILING OF AN APPLICATION FOR STATE
GRANT FROM DEC MUNICIPAL WASTE
REDUCTION AND RECYCLING (MWRR)
PROGRAM

WHEREAS: The State of New York announced a grant from the DEC municipal waste reduction and recycling (MWRR) program to assist counties and local governments with their waste reduction program expenses; and

WHEREAS: Through this grant Solid Waste would be partially reimbursed for their eligible costs of their Reduce, Reuse and Recycling program; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Tioga County Legislature authorizes the Sustainability Manager to apply and administer said grant via NYS Grants Gateway; and

RESOLVED: That the Tioga County Legislature authorizes and directs the Chair or their designee to sign the application via Grants Gateway for grant upon approval by the County Attorney.



Tioga County Tourism February 2022

DRI Wayfinding Sign Project

The steering committee met with the Branding and Design Team to begin this process of defining a new brand for the Village of Owego.

- The Tioga Arts Council's renovations are complete with the exception of the reception desk. An opening is planned for April 2022.

Tourism Rebranding and Website Update Project

TCT is reviewing a proposal for a new brand and website update from Trampoline, the company that is creating the new brand for the Village of Owego.

Visitor Center Art Exhibit

An exhibit has been put up in the Visitor Center featuring the work of local artists Michael Husted and Timothy Jackson. The Visitor Center will be open on March 4th for First Friday to welcome the public to view the exhibit.

Recruitment Website

The branding process and website navigation for the recruitment website is ongoing. The tagline "Find Your Way Here" has been chosen and a logo is in being developed.

Agricultural Resource Group (ARG) / Finger Lakes Farm Country (FLFC)

Tourism will be working with ARG to organize and promote Sundaes at the Farm in July. TCT has submitted content for the Finger Lakes Farm Country website and campaigns. Becca will be attending the 2022 International Agritourism Conference with Finger Lakes Farm Country in August.

Tioga County Maple Weekend

In conjunction with NYS Maple Weekend, Tioga County will have its own tour featuring four Maple Producers and two pancake breakfasts in Norther Tioga County. The tour is being developed on the website and app, and will also include restaurants, shops and farms along the route to encourage visitors to explore the different businesses in Norther Tioga County.

ILNY Matching Funds Cooperative Marketing Program

Tioga County Tourism has been approved to run a \$30,000 cooperative marketing program in 2022. Outreach for applications will begin after our ILNY funds are received.

Online Services Technical Assistance Grant

Lisa Churakos, the consultant hired to work one-on-one with participating businesses, came to Tioga County to do in-person site visits. She is excited at the opportunities to assist them in adding, updating and marketing their online services. The participating business are: Broad Street Records, Owego Parkview, Lilly Style Loft, and Anam Cara Photography.

Finger Lakes Regional Tourism Council (FLRTC)

Becca is on the communications committee for FLRTC, which is working on two main objectives:

- 1) The selection of Public Relations firm to run a program in 2022.
- 2) Working with Advance Media on creating region-wide content that includes Tioga County partners and assets for social media and digital campaigns.

Outdoor Accessibility

Becca is part of a group that is looking at accessibility for people with disabilities in our outdoor spaces, including upgrades to existing trails, the creation of new trails that are geared toward individuals with Autism, and adding signs and digital wayfinding specific to this group.