

St. Lawrence River Valley Redevelopment Agency
Minutes of May 21, 2013 Meeting ~ Town of Louisville Municipal Offices, Massena NY

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Chairman McNeil.

Roll Call/Determination of Quorum: Mssrs. McNeil, Murphy, and Strait attend. NYPA Representative Michael Huvane joins the meeting via conference call while NYPA representative Karen White is also in attendance. The quorum is recognized.

Public Notice: Public notifications were sent May 10, 2013 to, at a minimum: St. Lawrence County's newspapers designated for the publication of local laws and other matters required by law to be published. Notification also sent to other local media sources and websites.

Presentations: None

Approval of Minutes: Strait/Murphy motion to accept the April 16, 2013 regular meeting minutes and the April 30, 2013 special meeting minutes. The minutes are accepted unanimously.

Financial Report: Tom Plastino, Chief Financial Officer and Deputy Chief Executive Officer of the St. Lawrence County Industrial Development Agency reports on the April 2013 Financials. He notes that locks were changed on MIB Lot 18 as reflected in the miscellaneous expense disbursed in April. Murphy/Strait motion to accept the April 2013 financial report. The report is accepted unanimously.

Committee Reports: None

Old Business: Mr. McNeil references a Local Government Task Force meeting he attended in the Town of Louisville on April 18th in support of legislation for monetization of the 20 megawatts of economic development power. As a result, the Town of Louisville passed a resolution in support of legislation for monetization, as did the Towns of Massena and Lisbon.

Chairman McNeil mentions a recent meeting with Senator Ritchie and Assemblywoman Russell, joined by Attorney Gustafson, Patrick Kelly, and Andrew McMahan, where all parties discussed support for legislation currently being drafted for the monetized power. Mr. McMahan notes that the timing is critical, and getting both the State and Assembly representatives to support the legislation was imperative so things can move along quickly, as there is only five weeks left in this legislative session. Mr. McNeil notes that both bills are designed to mirror each other in both houses, in hopes that they will move quickly through the approval process.

Staff Report: Tom Plastino, Deputy Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer for the St. Lawrence County Industrial Development Agency, reports that recent Canadian marketing and tradeshow efforts have resulted in three showings of the Massena Industrial Park Buildings, but follow up with them is moving slowly. Also, he adds that the St. Lawrence County Industrial Development Agency Local Development Corporation recently passed a resolution authorizing the purchase of equipment for one of the tenants in the Massena Industrial Park. Mr. Murphy inquires into the CSX Railroad project and how that will affect the Industrial Park. Mr. McMahan responds, by stating it is compatible with putting the General Motors site back on the line. It will feed the substation there. A need to analyze the condition of the substation does exist, in order to evaluate its future role for economic development purposes. Mr. McMahan is optimistic the substation is salvageable.

Mr. McMahon is in the process of assembling his research for analyzing power cost comparisons that would be similar to model for the RVRDA. He poses a question in reference to how much time he will be allowed for his presentation. Chairman McNeil requests that the presentation be kept to a 30-minute minimum to allow for a period of discussion. Mr. McMahon advises the members of a report on power conducted by MED approximately 7-8 years ago and offers to forward a copy of that report to each member for review.

Mr. Murphy inquires about the status of the 3D printing efforts with the Clarkson group. Mr. Plastino states that with Mr. Murphy's return to the area, it would be a good time to restart the research process again.

Chairman McNeil announces that the St. Lawrence County Industrial Development Agency Local Development Corporation and the St. Lawrence River Valley Redevelopment Agency have both approved the Community Development and Environmental Improvement Projects for 2013.

Public Comment:

Phillip Wagschal, President, SLIC Network Solutions:

- References his company's collaboration with the upcoming North Country Tech Symposium and IT Expo to be held at Clarkson University on Wednesday, June 5th. He notes that Richard Hodges, a businessman from Silicon Valley involved in Green IT & Data Centers, will be the keynote speaker of the event.
- SLIC Network Solutions just reached 3,000 in their customer base.
- June 1st SLIC Network Solutions will launch IP TV in order to offer cable service over fiber network, as a part of their continuation of serving the underserved in the area.

Executive Session: Strait/Murphy motion for Execution Session at 6:18 PM to discuss business financials of a particular company.

New Business: Resolution: Authorizing a Loan of \$36,500 to High Peaks Winery. Murphy/Strait motion to accept. Motion passes with unanimous consent.

Return to regular session at 6:45 PM, upon the motion by Strait/Murphy. The meeting is adjourned at 6:47 PM, upon the motion of Strait/Murphy.

Note: The next regularly scheduled meeting of the St. Lawrence River Valley Redevelopment Agency will be held at 6:00PM on Tuesday, June 18, 2013 at the Town of Louisville Municipal Offices.
