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Mid-Hudson MHREDC Public Meeting

Wednesday August 10th, 2016

Introductory Information:

Date and Time Meeting Commenced:

Wednesday August 10th, 2016 - Public Session : 11:00am

Location:

Center for Discovery,
Michael Ritchie Big Barn
Miteer Road, Hurleyville NY - 12747

Council Members Present:

Dennis Murray; Meghan Taylor; Don Christian; Vincent Cozzolino; Jonathan Drapkin; Carol Fitzgerald; Marsha Gordon; Maureen Halahan; Ken Kleinpeter; Jacquie Leventoff; Al Samuels; Ned Sullivan; Cliff Wood. Ex- Officios: Luis Alvarez (Sullivan County Legislative Chair);

Council Members Substitutes:

Jason Baker (Rep. Spano); David Church (Rep. Neuhaus); Freda Eisenberg (Rep. Alvarez);

State Agency/Local Government/ESD Staff:

Lydia Biskup (Rep. Serino); Mark Castiglione (Hudson River Greenway); Jaime Ethier (DOS); Lisa Hofflich (Rep. Galef and Paulin); Suzanne Holt (Rep. Hein); William Mooney III (Rep. Astorino); Lisa Weiss (Rep. Westhuis); Monique Le Gendre (ESD); Ryan McLeod (ESD); Eric Warren (ESD); Thomas Scaglione (Rep. Gov. Cuomo); Emily Saland (Assistant to Dr. Murray); Erin Loosen (Regeneron Pharmaceuticals).

Special Guests:

Dr. Theresa Hamlin of Center for Discovery; Tom Burnham, Assistant Vice President for Development and Environmental Policy, The Center for Discovery

Time Adjourned:

Public Meeting adjourned 12:24pm.

Welcome and Remarks:

Call to Order:

Preamble requesting disclosure of any conflicts of interest read.

Conflicts noted: (Please List)

Recusals noted: (Please List)

No conflicts noted.

The record of recusals was noted and acknowledged at the meeting.

Reports/Discussions/Motions:

Public Session Opens

DM welcomed Dr. Theresa Hamlin of Center for Discovery. She welcomed the attendees to Sullivan County and The Center for Discovery.

Meghan read the recusal information.

MT stated that City of Middletown won the Downtown Revitalization Initiative and showed pic of Governor Cuomo awarding \$10M check to Mayor Joe DeStefano.

MT then explained the CFA Round 6 statewide dollars available.

2016 Competition Criteria - MHREDC is required to do the following:

Annual REDC Competition

All ten regions were evaluated based on Regional Council priorities described in the 2015 REDC Guidebook. The focus was on four areas:

1. Development of strategies and projects for a Regional Economic Cluster Plan
2. Implementation of regional strategic economic development plans and 2015 priorities
3. Updates on ongoing initiatives
4. Progress and performance in encouraging economic growth

MHREDC Scoring Review

- Only voting members may rank or score CFA applications; ex officio members are not eligible to score or rank.
- Each REDC Member must complete a Statement of Interest and Code of Conduct (annually)
- Voting MHREDC Members must record all recusals prior to being assigned applications to score
- Scoring teams may only input one consensus score into the CFA system

Scoring matrix - 0 to 20

Dr. Cliff Wood – SUNY RCC submitted a proposal at the Pfizer campus for an Innovation Center. Pfizer has sold the property to IRG. The proposal would put a 2nd 3D Design Center at the Pfizer campus - 100,000 sq.ft. StartUP NY project.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Monticello Village Manager, David Sage requested the REDC please fund Sullivan County projects; to help casino, as we need to attract more than just the day-tripper to the Monticello. To do that, we need to upgrade the Monticello region.

Dick Reisinger of SASG, who consults for SC Legislature remarked that there needs to be more recognition of pollution, and that they need details of the clean energy standards.

Anita Parkhurst from Catskill Regional Medical Center - they are poised for expansion to provide urgent care services this year.

J J Davese of the Monticello Chamber of Commerce mentioned that one of their members, Prohibition Distillery, wants the MHREDC to help Sullivan make a sustainable economy, not something where folks just head to Roscoe, or Montreign, and leave. Need to give them a reason to stay and explore.

Carly Castillo, Hudson Valley Regional Council, advocated for the Clean Energy Communities program that will promote eco development by promoting clean energy projects, and that funding is available for communities.

Town of Rockland Supervisor, Robert Eggleton, highlighted Livingston Manor, which has the largest fly fishing museum in the world and miles of walkable river walks.

Helen Budrock of the Gerry Foundation advocated for two projects - Village of Monticello NY Main Streets application; this has an incredible amount of potential in the area of downtown revitalization; The Center for Discovery in Hurleyville application for construction assistance for a continuous trail system that stretches 50 miles from Ulster to Orange .

12:24 public meeting closed.

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