



Southern Tier Regional Council Meeting

July 21, 2016

Council Members Present: Tom Tranter, Harvey Stenger, Patricia Cummings, Diane Lantz, Ernie Hartman, Judy McKinney-Cherry, Mike Stamm, Rich David, Debbie Preston, Candace Vanko, Mike Field, Jamie Johnson, Mike Krusen, Dan Mandell, Tim O'Hearn, Rose Sotak, Tom Santulli, Michael Lane

Council Members Substitutes: Jamie Johnson (for Joe Hauryski), Dawn Burlew (for Betsey Hale), Stacey Duncan (for Kevin McLaughlin), Sara Lattin (for Sen. Tom O'Mara), Lea Ann Tinney (for Martha Sauerbrey), Adriana Condarco-Quesada (for Kathryn Boor), Anthony Rosemarino (for Dan Spoor)

Special Guests: Allison Walsh, Assistant Vice President, Public Policy, Planning & Incentives.

State Agency/Local Government/ESD Staff: Pam Eshbaugh (DOT), Jack Williams (DOT), Joe Sluzar, (DEC), Julie Sweet (DOS), Janet Roach (DOH), Michael Straight (NYSERDA), Gabe Osterhaught, Jamie Smith,(EFC), Pam Michon, (BU), Terry Kane, Donna Lupardo, Joe Roman, Tammy Kocak, Donna Howell, Jason Conwell.

Reports/Discussions

- H. Stenger called meeting to order. He welcomed Council members, staff, and guests
- T. Tranter asked members/designee's to introduce themselves and their affiliation.
- T. Tranter introduced Allison Walsh to the Regional Council
- Council discussed the roles of voting and non-voting members and Regional Council Executive Committee selection criteria
- H. Stenger called for approval of minutes of May 21, 2016 Council meeting. Council approved.
- T. Tranter announced Elmira as the winner of the Downtown Revitalization Initiative and introduced M. Krusen
- Elmira Refresh Presentation
 - M. Krusen, provided an update on projects scheduled to be part of the Downtown Revitalization Initiative and the consulting processes for the funding program. He reported that he will be looking into utilizing the consulting services to support a urban revitalization fund that will complement the strategic goals of the Upstate Revitalization Initiative.
- URI Update
 - T. Tranter introduced Allison Walsh
 - A. Walsh gave an update on the application process for the URI

- H. Stenger provided an overview of the council's role in the selection criteria for year 1 of the URI
- CFA Round VI Update
 - D. Howell presented information on the CFA application process and reminded council members the deadline for the CFA is July 29th
- Public Comment
 - No public comment was made
- Other Council Business
 - D. Howell gave an update on hiring new ESD staff
 - T. Tranter gave an update on the four Regional Council vacancies
 - T. Tranter asked for an update on the SIAT process
 - A. Walsh reported that all the details for the SIAT are not finalized at this time. ESD staff will be able to provide the Regional Council with more details in the coming month
- Upcoming Dates
 - July 29, 2016 – CFA Round VI Applications Due
 - September 15, 2016 – Council Meeting
- T. Tranter adjourned the meeting at 12:50pm

Decisions/Actions

- Minutes from STREDC May 21, 2016 meeting were approved.
- Next Council meeting is September 15, 2016 at 12:00 noon; location is Traditions at the Glen*

*an amendment to the original minutes was made due to change in venue after meeting was adjourned.