Southern Tier Regional Economic Development Council Meeting

Binghamton University, Innovative Technology Complex, ES-2008

January 24, 2018

12:00-2:00

Executive Session 12:00-1:07


Council Members Alternates: T. O’Hearn (for D. Fagan), J. Johnson (for J. Hauryski), S. Craig (for L. Wilcox), A. Condarco-Quesada (for K. Boor), J. Kraham (for R. David)

State Agency/Local Government/Staff: C. Crouch (NYS Assembly), C. Whalen (Assembly), S. Lattin (Senate), J. Sweet (DOS), D. Howell (ESD), J. Roman (ESD), T. Kocak (ESD), S. Mora (ESD), J. Bedrin (ESD), A. Walsh (ESD), P. Eshbaugh (DOT), K. McElroy (DEC), J. Moody (Town of Union), J. Williams (DOT), R. Murphy (City of Binghamton), K. Smith (DOL), J. Smith (EFC)

T. Tranter called the meeting to order and requested that Council members and alternates introduce themselves.

T. Tranter discussed the State of the State, Corning Pharmaceutical Glass and the Cornell High Energy Synchronization project.

H. Stenger called for approval of minutes from the 9/6/17 REDC meeting. M. Field moved to accept the minutes of the 9/6/17 REDC meeting as presented, seconded by J. McKinney-Cherry. The members voted in favor and the minutes were approved unanimously.

T. Tranter introduced guest speaker A.

H. Stenger introduced guest speaker Dr. Upreti to discuss updates on Imperium 3.

Open Issues:

H. Stenger provided overview of Round VII, we are 4 for 7 as top performers but need to double down on future rounds. Work groups will be key to success, need to find projects that align with work group strategies

B. Hale presented an update on the Upstate Revitalization Initiative. B. Hale reviewed amounts awarded to date and described the role of each work group as it relates to the URI.
Dr. Upreti presented an overview of Imperium3’s progress and timeline as well as information in the lithium ion battery technology.

J Garner presented an update on the Greater Binghamton Fund and introduced K. Baptiste to present an overview of the process so far. Including a snapshot of projects submitted.

Work Group Reports:
Greater Binghamton by J. Garnar
Food and Agriculture by J. Johnson
Advanced Manufacturing by B. Hale
Innovative Culture by J. McKinney-Cherry
Workforce Development by J. Lesko

Updates on Watkins Glen Downtown Revitalization Initiative, very active participation from community.

A Walsh State of the State overview, Round VIII upcoming, broadband updates, DRI, RCCF process and workforce development.

New Business:

D. Howell discussed the Restore 5 projects, MWBE expo and Round VIII, and regional loan fund in the works

Upcoming Dates:

D. Howell reviewed upcoming dates:
Southern Tier REDC Meeting – May 11, 2018
MWBE Expo – June 15, 2018
Southern Tier REDC Meeting – June 21, 2018
Southern Tier REDC Meeting – September 6, 2018

H. Stenger called for public comment.

Question on location of upstate Niagara project and Imperium 3 project

T. Tranter discussed upcoming REDC meetings for the year

There being no further public comment, T. Tranter thanked everyone for attending and the meeting was adjourned.