

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes November 6, 2018 – SCP Board Room, Monticello, NY

Present	Absent
Jim Bates	Abhay Jain
Steve Vegliante	Alan Zuckerman
Eric Egeland	Josh Potosek
Karen Fisher	Laura Quigley
Fred Stabbert	Steve White
Gary Schmidt	Ian Blumenthal
Gary Silver	Jerry Skoda
George Kinne	Lynne Freda
Jaime Schmeiser	-
Jay Quaintance – via conference	
Jeff Siegel	
Jen Flad	
John Brust – via conference	
John Conway	
Jonathan Schiller	
Kevin McLaren – via conference	
Larry Wolinsky	
Matt Dorcas	
Michael Dollard	
Michael Zalkin	
Randy Resnick	
Tammy Mangus	
Roberta Byron-Lockwood – via conference	

Also present: Marc Baez, Jennifer Clayton, Christopher Lockwood, John Hamor, and Melany Putman

Call to Order: Let the record show there was a quorum. Chair Jim Bates called the meeting to order at 8:00am.

Approval of Meeting Minutes: Steve Vegliante motioned to accept the October board minutes and Karen Fisher seconded, all were in favor, none were opposed. Motion was passed.

Approval of Schedule of Payments: Gary Silver motioned to accept the October schedule of payments and Steve Vegliante seconded, all were in favor, none were opposed, Matt Dorcas and Karen Fisher abstained. Motion was passed.

Financials: Eric Egeland went over the financial. The last payment for the County contract has come in early. Annual meeting income was down; there were lots of other events going on the day. Gary Silver motioned to accept the October financials and Larry Wolinsky seconded, all were in favor and none were opposed. Motion was passed.

Melany Putman from NYSEG discussed how they have been looking at infrastructure throughout the area. Prioritizing what needs to be done and where. Sullivan County has been hit with a lot of storms and NYSEG is trying to match future investments to infrastructure improvements but it is hard to do because the improvements that get done will affect current NYSEG users. Melany went over some of the programs that NYSEG currently has for Economic Development. There are programs available for ag-based businesses, manufacturing and warehouses to name a few. There are energy efficiency programs that businesses can apply for. Steve Vegliante asked about line crews and field planners and how there are not enough to handle what is needed. Melany said that training takes time for these positions. Michael Zalkin asked what happens with Old Route 17 Corridor – how to get that area prepared for these developments. Randy Resnick stated that there is no office staff in the area and that projects get stalled do to no service. These businesses need service at the sites to start working. Melany stated that they look at where development is going to see where improvements are needed.

Matt Dorcas went over membership. Matt handed out a list of members that have dropped over the years. We are looking at doing videos from members about why they are a member, how it has helped them.

Old Route 17 Study – Josh Potosek will put in the budget for GEIS funding and it looks good but is not guaranteed. We had 2 projects look at sites on Old 17; a site tour was done yesterday. They were looking at other sites also, but we are hopeful we will hear back and see if we are still in the running. Randy said it was eye opening for him, to see what these projects need and how they go about doing it. Need to get the word out that we are working on this corridor. Project Aqua is a corporate retreat complex and we submitted Grossingers. Larry Wolinsky asked about getting water/sewer to the sites. Marc stated that the plan is to bring water/sewer to the sites that are feasible, may not be able to go to all the sites but will try to get as many as possible. Jim stated that we do not want existing businesses to feel neglected.

Tammy Mangus stated that on November 14 is the MCSD vote for the bonding. The bond will be used for critical repairs to the buildings.

December 6 is the SCVA Annual Meeting at the Hurleyville Arts Centre, catering by BHR.

Gary Silver motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:05am and Michael Zalkin seconded the motion. All were in favor and none were opposed. Motion was passed.