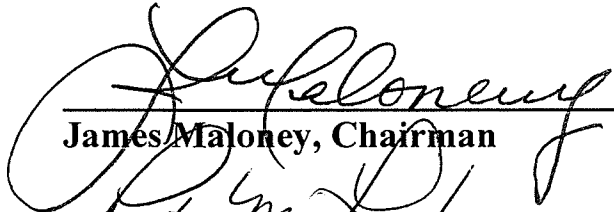


**Minutes Sign Off Sheet For:
March 6, 2013 Meeting**

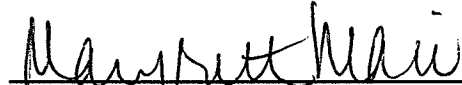
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM COMMITTEE:




James Maloney, Chairman



Peter Loughran, Deputy Chairman



Mary Beth Maio



Kevin Roberts



Ken Wishnick

Today's Date: April 3, 2013

Economic Development & Tourism Committee

Regular Meeting Minutes

DATE & TIME: March 6, 2013/5:30 PM
LOCATION: Library Conference Room, 6th Floor, County Office Building
PRESIDING OFFICER: James Maloney, Chairman
LEGISLATIVE STAFF: Lisa K. Mance
PRESENT: Legislators Maloney, Loughran, Roberts and Wishnick
ABSENT: Leg. Maio
EXCUSED: None
QUORUM PRESENT: Yes
OTHER ATTENDEES: Vic Melville, LWV, March Gallagher, Director Business Services

- Chairman Maloney called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

MOTIONS:

MOTION NO. 1

TEXT OF MOTION: **RESOLVED to approve the February 13, 2012 Meeting Minutes**
MOTION MADE BY: Legislator Loughran
MOTION SECONDED BY: Legislator Wishnick
ROLL CALL VOTE: No
VOTING IN FAVOR: Legislators Maloney, Loughran and Wishnick
VOTING AGAINST: None
NO. OF VOTES IN FAVOR: 3
NO. OF VOTES AGAINST: 0
DISPOSITION: Motion Passes

MOTION NO. 2

TEXT OF MOTION: **RESOLUTION No. 0171 – March 19, 2013**
RESOLVED to approve Resolution No. 0171- Approving Appropriation And Guidelines For Funding The Kingston/Ulster Empire Zone

Resolution Summary:

The Kingston/Ulster Empire Zone facilitated new job growth by providing local technical assistance to Empire Zone Certified Businesses within Ulster County and continues economic development efforts in conjunction with approximately 50 businesses throughout Ulster County. Pursuant to Resolution No. 173 dated July 19, 2011, the Ulster County Legislature approved funding in the amount of \$7,500.00 for the Kingston/Ulster Empire Zone program for 2010-2011. Inadvertently, no appropriation was included for the 2012 or 2013 Kingston/Ulster Empire Zone program in the Ulster County Budget. The Legislature now wishes to continue supporting the initiative for the Kingston/Ulster Empire Zone by appropriating funds in the amount of \$7,500.00 for 2012 and \$7,500.00 for 2013 to: Assist with funding staff to conduct Kingston/Ulster Empire Zone operations from 420 Broadway, Kingston; prepare annual report of Kingston/Ulster Empire Zone program goals and objections; and follow-up with Zone companies that don't file business annual reports for pre-certification to provide services. Documentation of the initiative must be maintained on file by the Kingston/Ulster Empire Zone and shall be submitted with each invoice, provided to the Chairman of the Legislature, Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee of the Legislature and Chairman of the Economic Development and Tourism Committee.

MOTION MADE BY: Legislator Loughran
MOTION SECONDED BY: Legislator Wishnick
ROLL CALL VOTE: No
VOTING IN FAVOR: Legs. Wishnick, Loughran and Maloney
VOTING AGAINST: None
NO. OF VOTES IN FAVOR: 4

NO. OF VOTES AGAINST: 0
DISPOSITION: Motion Passed Unanimously

Discussion: None

MOTION NO. 3 Resolution No. 0173 – March 19, 2013

TEXT OF MOTION: **RESOLVED to approve Resolution No. 0173** – Appointing Alternate Member To The Ulster County Planning Board – Town Of Shandaken

Resolution Summary: Pursuant to the Ulster County Charter and the Administrative Code, the County Board shall consist of 25 members and associated alternate members. The members and alternates shall be appointed by the County Legislature to serve for 4-year terms. The Town/Village Board of each town/village in Ulster County shall recommend for consideration and appointment by the Legislature, one person and one alternate from that town/village. Robert Kalb, PO Box 63, Big Indian, New York 12401 shall be appointed as an alternate to the Ulster County Planning Board for a term to coincide with the appointed incumbent board member, Keith Holmquist.

MOTION MADE BY: Leg. Roberts
MOTION SECONDED BY: Leg. Loughran
ROLL CALL VOTE: No
VOTING IN FAVOR: Legs. Maloney, Loughran, Roberts and Wishnick
VOTING AGAINST: None
NO. OF VOTES IN FAVOR: 4
NO. OF VOTES AGAINST: 0
DISPOSITION: Motion Passed Unanimously

Discussion: None

Discussion: Chairman Maloney requested update from Director of Business Service, March Gallagher who responded by indicating that at the request of the Committee, she had reached out to property owner John Gill, to determine interest in pursuing a broader application that would speak to the general marketability of the property rather than one specific alternative. Mr. Gill stated that he was interested and that he has had 3 or 4 offers to develop or purchase the property over the past 5 years, all of which would have required dipping onto the County property. Mr. Gill understood that a survey and appraisal of the lands to be dispossessed would have to be done at his cost. Mr. Gill was reviewing with Brinnier & Larrios to determine specific lands in question and would be returning with a proposal. Director Gallagher wished to note that there were a couple of issues that needed consideration before moving forward, one of which being the Thruway Authority anticipated that the land would be used as park land by the County, currently listed as vacant commercial. Director Gallagher believed that there was a County Legislative Resolution naming the park after Harry Thayer which needed to be looked into. If it was made parkland, there was alienation of parkland activities with the State Legislature that needed to occur. The second issue was how the procedure to convey would occur. Surplusing the property would result in auctioning property which might contradict goal of creating the marketability of the commercial corridor. Director Gallagher recommended consideration of different alternatives that hadn't been explored with regard to the conveyance but waiting for information from Mr. Gill. Leg. Loughran asked if timeframe for which information was to be provided was known to which Director Gallagher answered that next monthly meeting on April 4th might be a target date, if not, the following date; Director Gallagher was confirming. Leg. Wishnick asked if the criteria required by the Thruway Authority was known to which Director Gallagher stated that the Thruway Authority staff that she spoke with were not aware of the criteria, that it was completely within the Board's discretion. She added that types of past conveyances would be researched to see if the answer could be obtained. Director Gallagher continued in response to inquiries made by Leg. Wishnick to state that conveyance would involve a 2-step process, one with the Thruway Authority and the County lifting the reverter clause, and then a second step between the County and purchaser. Director Gallagher's proposal was that a physical map be provided for consideration.

Leg. Loughran asked to have individuals attend future meetings to discuss progress of various projects throughout the County, including the AVR (Promenade), Williams Lake Project, etc. to see if there was any action needed by the Committee.

- **There being no further business before the Committee, a motion was made by Legislator Loughran seconded by Legislator Roberts, and carried to adjourn the Meeting at 6:20 PM.**

Dated the 19th day of March, 2013

Lisa K. Mance, Legislative Employee, Ulster County Legislature

Minutes Approved on:

DRAFT