

WYOMING COUNTY BAC BOARD MEETING MINUTES

The WCBAC Board of Directors met on June 9, 2022 at 3:00 p.m. at the Wyoming County Agriculture and Business Center 36 Center Street Warsaw, New York.

1. Roll call to establish quorum

Chairman Dadd, called the meeting to order at 3:35 p.m., in attendance were: Mark Dadd, Chairman; A. Douglas Berwanger, Vice-Chairman; Thomas McCormick, Secretary; James Rutowski, Director; Niccole Hastings, Director; James Pierce, Executive Director; Robin Marschilok, Director of Operations; Jennifer Tyczka, Program Manager; Scott Gardner, Economic Development Specialist and Kevin Zanner, Hurwitz & Fine, Agency Counsel.

Absent: Rebecca Ryan, Treasurer; E. Joseph Gozelski, Director

2. Administrative

A. Review/approve minutes from April 14, 2022 Board Meeting

The minutes from the April 14, 2022 Board Meeting were reviewed. A motion was made to accept the minutes by T. McCormick. The motion was seconded by N. Hastings and unanimously carried.

B. Review and approve Financial Statements from April and May 2022

R. Marschilok presented the financial report from April and May 2022. After review the Board approved the financial reports on a motion made by T. McCormick. The motion was seconded by J. Rutowski and unanimously carried.

3. Micro Enterprise Grant Update

Pierce reviewed the status of the \$300,000 Micro Enterprise Grant, awarded the County from NYS OCR. There is still \$135,000 left to award and the funds need to be expended by June 23, 2023. Pierce recently asked Scott Gardner to put out a second notice of the grant availability in the Chamber News as well as the local papers. There are 6 awardees that have been approved, 3 of which have asked for anticipation notes and 2 have received the note funds. We have one grant review complete waiting for committee review and 5 new interests have recently been given the application process information. Pierce added that if any of the Board members knows of a business owner that may qualify and has a need, to send them our way.

4. Other Business

- a. Berwanger asked about the status of Dream Lake Campground, whom had received funding from the BAC in December for an expansion project. Pierce state that he has received updates from the owner and drone pictures of the progress on the project.

The owner has reported hopes to be complete in July.

Pierce updated the Board on the Silverlaken Project in Silver Springs stating that there are additional cabins going up this year as the owner works toward completing the project.

Pierce mentioned that the Letchworth Valley Camp Ground recently closed on the loan with the banks and the BAC, the owner is already bringing in interest through marketing and the project is moving forward quickly.

Chairman Dadd asked for an update on the River Spring Lodge in Bennington, in which Pierce stated that the business is for sale. The River Spring Lodge is a boutique lodge and restaurant and Dave Hamer has been the chef. Hamer's is also a minister and has been gifted a church in Attica which he wants to devote his attention to.

5. **Next Meeting** – The next meeting of the WCBAC Board is scheduled for July 14, 2022 immediately following the WCIDA Board Meeting.

6. **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m. on motion by T. McCormick, seconded by N. Hastings and unanimously carried.

Minutes prepared by: R. Marschilok