

BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION FOR A GREATER MASSENA
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES
August 17, 2017

Board Members: Paul Rufa, President Dan Pease
 Ron Bacon Anthony Viskovich
 Chris Herrick

Excused: Dave LaClair Jeff Dobbins

Staff: Tom Sullivan, Executive Director
 Linda Williams, Secretary

Call to Order

BDC President, Paul Rufa, called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm.

Minutes of the June Regular Meeting

A motion was made by Dan Pease to approve the June 2017 Minutes, that motion was seconded by and passed with all members present voting 'Aye'.

Note: The July meeting had been cancelled

Financial Reports for June and July 2017

A motion was made by Dan Pease to table approval of the June 2017 Finance Reports, that motion was seconded by Anthony Viskovich and passed with all members present voting 'Aye'.

A motion was made by Dan Pease to table approval of the July 2017 Finance Reports, that motion was seconded by Anthony Viskovich and passed with all members present voting 'Aye'.

Comparative Budget for June and July 2017

The reports were reviewed by the Board; \$1310 will be redirected from Marketing to the Industrial Park Engineering.

Operations Committee

No meeting was held this past month.

Infrastructure Committee

No meeting was held this past month.

Marketing Committee

Again, there was no meeting

Alcoa/Arconics Update

Tom: No news regarding the plant, everything appears to be going well at the Massena site.

Grasse River Blueway Corridor

Tom: Nothing new to report

Grasse River Clean Up

Tom: There has been a lot of preparation in process in Massena Center, cleaning will be an on-going project through 2019.

Industrial Park/Rail Spur

Tom: No new development

Massena Core of the Community

Tom: The BDC has mailed four checks to businesses that have completed projects, work is progressing at many of the sites.

Moving Massena Forward Community Coalition

Tom: This group met on June 24 with updates from the committees.

New York Power Proceeds

Tom: They have now appointed their last Board member.

North Country Alliance

Tom: They recently approved three projects and have passed them on to NYPA for approval.

North Country Regional Economic Development Council

Tom: They are working on a few different projects/proposals

RACER/General Motors Site

Venue Strategies is still in discussion regarding this site, but nothing definite as yet.

Restore New York Grant

The Village should begin work on their project soon

St. Lawrence Country Economic Development

They recently held another 'mixer' in Canton, and one is planned for September 13 to discuss marketing

St. Lawrence Soyway

Tom: Discussions on on-going

Theatre

Tom: Their Consolidated Funded Application has been filed by the BDC and we are just awaiting word on grants

Consultant & Liaison Reports

No one was present

Questions from the Press

No attendance at this meeting

Adjournment

A motion was made by Dan Pease to adjourn at 5:30 pm, that motion was seconded by Anthony Viscovich and passed with all members present voting 'Aye'.

The next meeting of the Board of Directors of the Massena Business Development Corporation will be held on Thursday, September 21, at 4:30 pm, in Room 30 of the Town Hall.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda Williams