

BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION FOR A GREATER MASSENA  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES  
September 21, 2017

Board Members: Paul Rufa, President Dave LaClair  
Ron Bacon Dan Pease

Excused: Jeff Dobbins Anthony Viskovich  
Chris Herrick

Public: Sam Carbone

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 August Regular Meeting**

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

**Financial Report for August 2017**

The August report was unavailable

**Comparative Budget for August 2017**

The report was unavailable

**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: Nothing really to report.

Dave: The two companies are working together relative to employees; Arconics is expected to lay off a few people, but they will be re-hired by at the Alcoa sector.

**Community Revitalization Committee**

Tom: This committee met last Thursday and is waiting for the announcement on grants

**Grasse River Blueway Corridor**

Tom: This group continues to meet to discuss improvements along the corridor and assist the growth of business.

**Grasse River Clean Up**

Tom: Preparations continue for the actual clean-up to begin next spring.

**Industrial Park/Rail Spur**

Tom: Curran Renewable may soon be shipping fiber to one of the southern states

**Massena Core of the Community**

Tom: We now have five projects completed, and checks have been mailed to them. The RVRDA is refunding they portion of the grants to the BDC as soon as we pay the recipients.

**Moving Massena Forward Community Coalition**

Tom: This group has a meeting scheduled for September 25

**New York Power Proceeds**

Tom: A couple of projects have been given to the Board to review and make their recommendations.

**North Country Alliance**

Tom: There was a teleconference meeting on September 20, but I was unable to call in

**North Country Re-Development Council**

They had a recent meeting, and they have been encouraged to 'wrap it up'

**North Country Regional Economic Development Council**

Tom: The Council met last Friday and will be announcing awards soon.

**Restore New York Grant**

Tom: They met last Friday; as mentioned before the Village received a grant for the Slavin's building.

**St. Lawrence Country Economic Development**

Tom: They met on the 13th; we are in receipt of their logo change, and forwarded to the Board. They held another mixer in Canton this month.

**St. Lawrence Soyway**

Tom: Nothing new to report

**Theatre**

Tom: They are waiting to hear on the North Country Regional Economic Development decision.

**Consultant & Liaison Reports**

No comments

**Questions from the Press**

No attendance at this meeting

**Adjournment**

A motion was made by Dan Pease to adjourn at 5:20 pm, that motion was seconded by Dave LaClair 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, October 19, at 4:30 pm, in Room 30 of the Town Hall.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda Williams