

Minutes
Planning & Economic Development Committee
August 19, 2026, 6:00 pm, Legislative Chambers
Livestreamed on YouTube
Gerace Office Building, Mayville, NY

Members Present: Harmon, Penhollow, DeJoy, Johnson, Merritt

Others: Chagnon, Lee, Swan, Nick, Aldrich, Geise, Wurster, Zafuto, McCoy, Nixon, Lamp

Complete video of meeting can be viewed on YouTube

Chairman Harmon called the meeting to order at (6:13 p.m.)

Approval of Minutes (07/15/26)

MOVED by Legislator Penhollow, SECONDED by Legislator Johnson to approve the minutes

Unanimously Carried

Privilege of the Floor

No one chose to speak.

Proposed Resolution – Authorizing Public Hearing Regarding a Potential Application for 2026 Community Development Block Grant Funding through the New York State Office of Community Renewal—*Presented Stephanie Nick, Special Projects Coordinator with the Department of Planning & Economic Development and Nate Aldrich, Special Projects Coordinator with the Department of Planning & Economic Development*

Unanimously Carried

Proposed Resolution – Accept Grant Funding from the Housing Trust Fund Corporation for a Technical Assistance to Grow Pro-Housing Communities Grant—*Presented by Rebecca Wurster, Planning Coordinator for the Department of Planning and Development*

Unanimously Carried

Proposed Resolution – Approves SEQRA Review of 2% In-Lake Occupancy Tax Grant Program Projects for 2027—*Presented by Dave McCoy, Chautauqua County Watershed Coordinator*

Unanimously Carried

Proposed Resolution – Approves SEQRA Review of 2% Watershed Occupancy Tax Grant Program Projects for 2027—*Presented by Dave McCoy, Chautauqua County Watershed Coordinator*

Unanimously Carried

Proposed Resolution – Authorize Chautauqua County Visitors Bureau as the Local Tourist Promotion Agency for Matching Funds Program Sponsored by the New York State Division of Tourism—*Presented by Andrew Nixon, President of the Chautauqua County Visitors Bureau*

Unanimously Carried

Discussion –

Updates on the Chautauqua County Visitors Bureau Activities & Tourism
– *Presented by Andrew Nixon*

Updates on the Chautauqua County Partnership for Economic Growth & Impact
–*Presented by Nate Aldrich, Mark Geise, Josiah Lamp, and Rebecca Wurster*

MOVED by Legislator Johnson, SECONDED by Legislator Merritt to adjourn.
Unanimously Carried (7:17 p.m.)

Respectfully submitted and transcribed,
Olivia L. Lee, Clerk of the Legislature/Amanda Guillory, Senior Stenographer