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AGENDA

June 2006 Meeting Central New York Regional Planning and Development Board

Wednesday, June 21, 2006
3:00 pm – 4:30 p.m.

CNY RPDB
Lower Level Conference Room
100 Clinton Square, Syracuse, New York

Chairman Paul Vickery Presiding

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| 1. | Call to Order | P. Vickery |
| 2. | Approval of Day's Agenda and
Minutes from the April 19, 2006 Meeting | P. Vickery |
| 3. | Feature Presentations:

<i>CNY Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS)</i>
<i>Mr. David Bottar, CNY RPDB Executive Director</i> | |
| 4. | Executive Director's Report | D. Bottar |
| 5. | Old/New Business | P. Vickery |
| 6. | Adjournment | P. Vickery |

Immediately following the meeting will be a reception to celebrate Benjamin Manton's retirement



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MINUTES CNY RPDB Board Meeting June 21, 2006

ATTENDANCE:

Board Members: Lawrence Baker, Sandra Baker, Donald Chambers, Daniel Dineen, David Elleman, Melody Holmes, John Kruk, Mark Lynch, Mary Messinger, Vijay Mital, James Murphy, James Rafté, Trish Riter, Joseph Slivinski, William Southern, Donal Spaulding, Frederick Talbot, Walter Tennant, Michael Treadwell, Paul Vickery, and Stephen Zabriskie.

Guests: Julie Ficaric, Office of NYS Assemblyman William Magnarelli; Mike Long, City of Auburn Planning & Economic Development, Steve Lynch, City of Auburn Planning & Economic Development; Jack Miller, Madison County Planning Department; Dan Murphy, National Grid; Clyde Ohl; Nicole Steering, Office of U.S. Senator Hillary Clinton; and Jessica Surani, Office of NYS Assemblyman William Magnarelli.

Staff: Kathleen Bertuch, David Bottar, Carol Faucher, Stephanie Harrington, Bruce Keplinger, Kristy LaManche, Benjamin Manton, Karen Novak, Michael Rosanio, Anne Saltman, and Theresa Stephen.

BUSINESS MEETING

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Paul Vickery called the meeting to order at 3:10 p.m. at the office of the Central New York Regional Planning and Development Board (CNY RPDB) and stated that a quorum was present.

2. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA/MINUTES OF THE APRIL 19th MEETING**

Chairman Vickery asked if Board members had any changes to the day's agenda and minutes from the April 19, 2006 meeting. Hearing no comments, Chairman Vickery asked for a motion to approve the day's agenda and minutes from the April 2006 meeting as presented, so moved by Lawrence Baker; seconded by William Southern; unanimous approval.

3. **FEATURE PRESENTATIONS**

CNY Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy

Chairman Vickery introduced Executive Director David Bottar, who presented the annual Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) to Board members and guests.

Mr. Bottar opened his presentation by stating that the CEDS outlines and identifies the characteristics of the Central New York economy, and identifies the tasks the CNY RPDB will be working on in the coming year. The CEDS is also a resource that can be used to help coordinate local economic development efforts and direct public resources to key economic development projects in the region. The plan is divided into five sections including a look at the local economy, an evaluation of economic development resources and initiatives, a development strategy, a workplan for the CNY RPDB, and most importantly a project priority list. Mr. Bottar emphasized the state of the Central New York economy in a number of presentation slides highlighting regional population, per capita income, labor force issues, employment and wages, and job occupations in CNY.

Mr. Bottar noted the area continues to capitalize on a strong transportation network, significant rail resources, a regional transportation center, airports, strong network of schools and higher education, and an abundant water supply. In addition, it was noted that communities are making significant investments in cultural and recreational resources which contribute significantly to the quality of life in CNY. It is important to note that all five counties in CNY have professionally staffed economic development offices that offer business loan programs and empire zone designations. In addition, all five counties have publicly sponsored business parks, which is a key resource in attracting businesses to the area.

In order to capitalize on these comparative advantages, the CNY RPDB has adopted the following development strategy. The goal of the CNY CEDS is to support the continued growth of a diverse economic base that will provide a range of employment opportunities for citizens across the Central New York region. To help accomplish this goal, each year the CNY RPDB updates its Central New York Project Priority List. Included in the CEDS is a list of public works projects that will be submitted to the federal Economic Development Administration (EDA) for funding consideration in fiscal year 2006-2007. This list identifies projects that should receive funding consideration, and becomes the basis for federal funds coming into the region. In past years, the CNY RPDB has been able to secure between \$2 and \$3 million per year in public works projects for the Central New York region. All of the projects identified have the potential to help foster economic growth in CNY.

Cayuga County

- Aurelius Industrial Park Road Network
- Auburn Northwest Industrial Development Area
- Town of Genoa Water Supply

Cortland County

- Finger Lakes East Business Park
- Greek Peak/Hope Lake Conference Center

Madison County

- Trush Business Park
- Hamilton Business Park
- SUNY Morrisville Business Park
- Lakeport Business Park

Onondaga County

- Clay Industrial Park
- Syracuse Lakefront/Inner Harbor
- Hancock Airpark
- Rock Cut Road / I-481
- Syracuse Downtown Redevelopment
- Syracuse City Crossroads Commercial Park
- Town of Clay Three Rivers Redevelopment
- CSX Intermodal Terminal Access
- Carrier Site Redevelopment

Oswego County

- Lake Ontario Industrial Park
- Oswego County Airport / Industrial Park
- Oswego County Industrial Park
- Columbia Mills Infrastructure / Brownfield Reuse
- City of Oswego Speculative Building and Parking Garage

Regional

- DestiNY USA
- SU Center of Excellence in Environmental Systems and Alternative Energy
- CNY Biotechnology Research Center
- CNY Cultural / Recreation Resource Initiatives
- CNY Enterprise Development Fund
- CNY Regional Marketing and Business Recruitment Program
- Erie Canalway National Heritage Corridor

At the conclusion of Mr. Bottar's presentation, Chairman Vickery asked for a motion to approve submission of the Project Priority List and Annual Report of the Central New York Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy to the federal Economic Development Administration. So moved by Mr. Murphy; seconded by Mr. Southern; motion unanimously approved.

4. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Mr. Bottar asked staff member Anne Saltman to briefly highlight the Celebrate The Lake booklet that was distributed at the meeting. Celebrate The Lake is a tribute to water resources throughout the Oneida Lake watershed. The booklet lists calendar of events for the months of July and August 2006.

Mr. Bottar noted that the Executive Committee met on May 17, 2006 to review the March 2006 financial statement and other administrative items including a detailed review of issues concerning directors and officer's liability. The next Executive Committee meeting has been scheduled for July 19th. Program committee meetings were also held on May 17th.

Mr. Bottar referenced the news clipping service to highlight various projects underway in each of the Central New York counties.

Mr. Bottar briefly highlighted other staff initiatives currently being undertaken including the Carrier Corporation site redevelopment initiative.

The next Board meeting has been scheduled for August 16, 2006 at the Cayuga Community College in Auburn, New York. Further details will be forthcoming.

5. **OLD/NEW BUSINESS**

Chairman Vickery announced the retirement of staff member Benjamin Manton from the CNY RPDB after 30 years of service. Mr. Vickery then asked board member and Onondaga County Department of Transportation Commissioner Mark Lynch to join him at the podium. On behalf of Onondaga County Executive Nicholas Pirro, Mr. Lynch presented Mr. Manton a gift.

Mr. Vickery then asked Mike Long from the City of Auburn Department of Planning and Economic Development to join him at the podium. As President of the Upstate New York Chapter of the American Planning Association, Mr. Long presented Mr. Manton with a certificate of service.

Lastly, Mr. Vickery asked Board Treasurer David Elleman to join him at the podium. Mr. Elleman presented Mr. Manton with a gift from the CNY RPDB.

In closing, Mr. Manton thanked guests and members of the CNYRPDB and offered some remarks regarding his years of service in the planning profession and plans for his future.

6. **ADJOURNMENT**

With no additional business to be brought before the Board, Chairman Vickery thanked everyone for attending and invited everyone to join us in a retirement reception for Benjamin Manton. Chairman Vickery adjourned the meeting at 4:20 p.m.