

ECONOMIC & RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES  
January 10, 2012

The Economic & Rural Development and Planning Committee of the Broome County Legislature met on Tuesday, January 10, 2012 in the Legislative Conference Room, Sixth Floor, Edwin L. Crawford County Office Building, Binghamton, New York.

Members Present: J. Black (Chair), R. Heebner (voting representative for M. Diffendorf), M. Schafer, D.D. Reynolds, M. Whalen (voting representative for S. Herz)

Members Absent: None

Others Present: A. Martin, J. Baumgartner, R. O'Donnell, Legislature; J. Flynn, OMB; W. Gibson, Law; E. Miller, F. Evangelisti, Planning

The Economic & Rural Development and Planning Committee meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 4:04 PM. Mr. Schafer made a motion to move the agenda, seconded by Mr. Heebner.

The Committee took the following action with regard to the matters before it:

**#7 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF AN AGRICULTURE AND COMMUNITY RECOVERY FUND PROGRAM GRANT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND ADOPTING A PROGRAM BUDGET FOR 2011-2013**

Mr. Evangelisti stated that this funding will go to seven farmers who were hit by the flooding in September and they can receive up to half of the total crop loss value up to \$50,000. He further stated this is a pass through of State funds and recipients were not selected by the County. Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

**#27 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF AN AGRICULTURE AND COMMUNITY RECOVERY FUND PROGRAM GRANT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND ADOPTING A PROGRAM BUDGET FOR 2011-2013**

Ms. Miller stated this funding will mainly go to businesses in the City of Binghamton (South Bridge area) and Town of Union. She further stated that funding will only go to businesses that are going to rehabilitate their facilities and recoup costs of replacing furniture/supplies; if they are closing their business or moving elsewhere they ineligible to receive funding. She also stated that the money is going to be distributed as evenly as possible to businesses that apply. Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

**#28 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF AN AGRICULTURE AND COMMUNITY RECOVERY FUND PROGRAM GRANT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND ADOPTING A PROGRAM BUDGET FOR 2011-2012**

Ms. Miller stated that this funding is similar to Resolution 27 but will be used for businesses in flooded areas like the Town of Conklin and Town of Vestal. Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#29 RESOLUTION CONFIRMING APPOINTMENT TO MEMBERSHIP ON THE BROOME COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

There being no further business to come before the Committee at this time, a motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Whalen, seconded by Mr. Heebner. The meeting adjourned at 4:20 PM.