

**ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY  
LOCAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION  
Meeting of October 1, 2021**

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CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Staples calls the meeting to order at 9:40 AM in the Thomas A. Plastino conference room at the Ernest J. LaBaff Industrial Building, Canton.

**ROLL CALL:**

McMahon .....	Present (via teleconference)	Staples .....	Present
LaBaff .....	Present (via teleconference)	Hall .....	Present
Reagen.....	Present (via teleconference)	Blevins.....	Absent
Morrill .....	Absent		

Chairman Staples announces there is a quorum.

Others: IDA Staff (Patrick Kelly, Richard Williams, and Lori Sibley) and Kimberly Gilbert (via teleconference)

**PUBLIC NOTICE:** Public notifications sent September 23, 2021 to, a minimum: newspapers designated for the publication of local laws and other matters required by law to be published; additional local media sources and websites.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Motion to accept the minutes of the June 14, 2021 meeting by Mr. LaBaff seconded by Mr. Hall. Motion carried unanimously.

**FINANCIAL REPORTS:** Mrs. Gilbert references the RVRDA contractual fee paid to Massena Electric Department and two Community Development and Environmental Improvement Program (“CDEIP”) issuances in May; payment for the 2020 audit and CHAR filings and County expenses in June; the second installment of an administrative fee paid by the St. Lawrence River Valley Redevelopment Agency (“RVRDA) to the SLCIDA-LDC, CDEIP expenses, and bad debt expense from the loss of the LKR Enterprises sale of the former Star Lake Grocery store in July. Motion to accept the May, June, and July 2021 financial reports by Mr. Hall, seconded by Mr. Blevins. Motion carried unanimously.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:** None

**STAFF REPORT:** Patrick Kelly reports the following:

A potential loan administered through the SLCIDA-LDC for the Brasher Loan Fund may be brought forward at the next meeting.

**Fockler Industries:** Exercised a three-year renewal option. They have been a tenant at Lot 19 for eight years now.

**LC Drives:** A recent story in the news announced the company dissolved leaving at least 100 employees unemployed. Our staff has been active with former employees, involving Clarkson University and other resource partners to organize a pop-up job fair that was held yesterday for those displaced workers. Our close relationships with employers helped us get over twenty businesses to attend the event to meet with the former employees. The event was arranged quickly so employers could speak to as many employees as possible, especially since many employers have position openings at this time. Mr. Reagen mention the importance of connecting former LC Drives employees with local job opportunities.

Chairman Staples mentioned that he joined Mark Hall, Lynn Blevins, and James Reagen in Cooperstown this week for the New York State Economic Development Council's annual meeting.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Resolution LDC-21-10-15: Accepting the FY2022 Tentative Budget. Mrs. Gilbert mentions the budget is a consolidation of each of the St. Lawrence County IDA – Local Development Corporation funds and entities. The interest is based on amortization schedules and the insurance will be fine-tuned according to the new rates. Mr. LaBaff motions to approve Resolution LDC-21-10-15, seconded by Mr. Hall. The motion is approved by unanimous vote.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: At 9:55 AM, Hall/LaBaff motion/second to go into executive session to discuss the financial history of a specific company. Motion passes unanimously.

At 10:25 AM, LaBaff/Hall motion/second to return to regular session. Motion passes unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion to adjourn is made by Mr. LaBaff, seconded by Mr. Hall. The meeting adjourns at 10:25 AM by unanimous vote.

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(Mr.) Lynn Blevins, Secretary