

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, EDUCATION & CULTURE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
December 6, 2016

The Economic Development, Education & Culture Committee of the Broome County Legislature met on Tuesday, December 6, 2016 in the Legislative Conference Room, Sixth Floor, Edwin L. Crawford County Office Building, Binghamton, New York.

Members Present: M. Sopchak (Chair), K. Bernhardsen, J. Shaw, K. Wildoner, K. Myers

Members Absent: None

Others Present: C. O'Brien, M. Whalen, A. Martin, C. Dziedzic, R. O'Donnell, Legislature; J. Bernardo, County Exec's Office; M. Kalka, J. Knebel, OMB; C. Marion, Arena; D. Schofield, DPW; S. Britton, Health; M. Scarinzi, Land Bank; L. Wise, Library

The Economic Development, Education & Culture Committee meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 4:35 PM. Mr. Shaw made a motion to move the agenda, seconded by Mr. Bernhardsen.

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

#42 [RESOLUTION CONFIRMING APPOINTMENTS TO MEMBERSHIP ON THE EN-JOIE GOLF COURSE ADVISORY COMMITTEE](#)

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#43 [RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AMENDMENT TO THE INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN BROOME COUNTY AND THE VILLAGE OF ENDICOTT FOR MANAGEMENT OF ENJOIE GOLF COURSE AND RELATED FACILITIES](#)

Mr. Bernardo stated that the County is looking to extend this contract and the one in Resolution 44, in order for the contract dates to mirror the contract for the Dick's Sporting Goods Open golf tournament.

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#44 [RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH BROOME COUNTY COMMUNITY CHARITIES, INC. FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION FOR 2011-2018](#)

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#45 [RESOLUTION CONFIRMING APPOINTMENT TO MEMBERSHIP ON THE BROOME COUNTY CENTRAL LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES](#)

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#46 [RESOLUTION CONFIRMING APPOINTMENTS TO MEMBERSHIP ON THE BROOME COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD OF DIRECTORS](#)

Mr. Whalen expressed concerns and disappointment that the County Executive-Elect wouldn't be afforded representation on the IDA Board. Mr. Shaw stated that if the County Executive-Elect had recommendations, no one on the Committee was contacted or made aware by him or his transition team.

Mrs. Myers expressed concerns that the IDA Board isn't more diverse.

Mr. Bernhardsen stated that under New York State Law, the Chairman is authorized to make the appointment recommendations and that he felt those nominated are more than qualified to continue to serve on the Board.

Carried. Ayes-4, Nays-1 (Myers)

#55 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF LAND BANK PROGRAM GRANT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, ADOPTING A PROGRAM BUDGET AND RENEWING AGREEMENT WITH THE BROOME COUNTY LAND BANK TO ADMINISTER SAID PROGRAM FOR 2017

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#56 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ARENA MANAGER TO CHARGE A TICKET FEE FOR EVENTS AT THE FLOYD L. MAINES VETERANS MEMORIAL ARENA AND THE BROOME COUNTY PERFORMING ARTS THEATRE

Mr. Bernardo stated that this is not a fee or tax to be levied by the County but only to allow promoters to add an additional charge to be used to attract bigger and better acts to the Arena and Forum. Mrs. Myers stated that she has previously served on the Arena Board and this approach is worth exploring to attract acts.

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#67 RESOLUTION CONFIRMING APPOINTMENT TO MEMBERSHIP ON THE BROOME COUNTY CENTRAL LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#68 RESOLUTION CONFIRMING APPOINTMENT TO MEMBERSHIP ON THE BROOME COUNTY VETERAN'S MEMORIAL ARENA 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. Shaw, seconded by Mrs. Myers. The meeting adjourned at 4:57 PM.