



Sullivan County

Economic Development Committee

Meeting Minutes - Final

Chairman Matt McPhillips
Vice Chairman Brian McPhillips
Committee Member Luis Alvarez
Committee Member Cat Scott
Committee Member Joe Perrello

Thursday, March 6, 2025

9:30 AM

Government Center

Call To Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Matt McPhillips called the Economic Development Committee to order at 9:50AM.

Roll Call

Present: Matt McPhillips, Brian McPhillips, Luis Alvarez and Catherine Scott
Absent: Joseph Perrello

Comments:

Amanda Ward, Nicholas Salomone

Michelle Huck, Dan Hust, Robert Freehill, Sharon Jankiewicz, Laura Quigley, Heather Brown, Anna Novello, John Hauschild, Albee Bockman, Alex Rau, Sheriff Schiff

Ashley Leavitt, Jen Flad, Ken Walter, Lou Setren Lise, Kennedy, Martha Scoppa, Jerry Stevens, Vanessa McPhillips, Ruby R.

Reports:

1. Division of Community Resources [ID-7244](#)
Workforce Development Monthly Report
March 2025

Attachments: [2025 Economic Dev March Report](#)

Commissioner Laura Quigley gave an update on the Division of Community Resources.

2. IDA [ID-7239](#)

Attachments: [IDA Activity Report February 2025.docx](#)

Executive Director Jen Flad gave an update on the IDA.

3. Visitor's Association[ID-7240](#)

Attachments: [EDC MarchReport .docx](#)

No one was present from the Sullivan County Visitor's Association.

4. Chamber of Commerce

CEO Ashley Leavitt gave an update on the Chamber of Commerce.

5. Partnership for Economic Development

Vanessa McPhillips gave an update on the Partnership for Economic Development.

Discussion:**1. Tourism Sector Enhancement Grant Program**

After a brief discussion, the Economic Development Committee referred this discussion and resolution back to the March 20th Executive Committee Agenda.

Public Comment

Ken Walter made a public comment.

Rebekah Creshkoff made a public comment.

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[ID-7300](#)

Attachments: [Public comment on Aries Clean Technologies 3-6-25](#)

Resolutions:

The Economic Development Committee moved this resolution to Executive.

1. To adopt the Tourism Sector Enhancement Grant Program and Guidelines.

[ID-7216](#)

Attachments: [Final Tourism Sector Enhancement Grant Program Complete Packet.pdf](#)

2. Resolution introduced by the Economic Development Committee to authorize a Contract Agreement between the County of Sullivan and Bold Gold Media Group to provide services for the Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP)

[ID-7201](#)

A motion was made by District 5 Legislator Catherine Scott, seconded by District 6 Legislator Luis Alvarez, that this Resolution be carried at Committee to the County Legislature meeting on 3/20/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Chairman McPhillips, Vice Chairman McPhillips, District 6 Legislator Alvarez and District 5 Legislator Scott

Absent: District 7 Legislator Perrello

Adjourn

There being no further business, Catherine Scott moved to adjourn, seconded by Brian McPhillips. The Economic Development Committee was adjourned at 10:35am