



Sullivan County

Economic Development Committee

Meeting Minutes - Final

100 North Street
Monticello, NY 12701

Chair Terry Blosser-Bernardo
Vice Chair Luis Alvarez
Committee Member Brian McPhillips
Committee Member Catherine Scott
Committee Member Joe Perrello

Thursday, July 9, 2026

9:30 AM

Government Center

Call To Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Blosser-Bernardo called the Economic Development Committee to order at 9:47am.

Roll Call

Present: Terry Blosser-Bernardo, Brian McPhillips, Luis Alvarez and Catherine Scott

Arrived Late: Joseph Perrello

Comments:

Nadia Rajsz, Amanda Ward, Matt McPhillips, Nicholas Salomone

Joshua Potosek, Michelle Bowers, Dan Hust, Robert Freehill, Sharon Jankiewicz, Kathleen Lara, Heather Brown, Ed McAndrew, Laura Quigley, Albee Bockman, Ryan Fridlich, John Hauschild, Undersheriff Chaboty, Alex Rau, Pennie Huber, Michael Martelon, Lori James, Marc Baez, Matthew Sush, Jen Flad, Dorothy Sanchez, Marty Colavito, Judy Balaban, Lililan Stettner, Lise Kennedy, Ken Walter, Chris Lesser and Star Hesse, Patrick from the River Reporter, Matt from the Democrat and Kim from WJFF

Chair Blosser-Bernardo made comments at this time.

Reports:

1. SCVA**[ID-8499](#)****Attachments:** [FINAL FINAL EDC Presentation PDF](#)

Michael Martelon, President and CEO, gave his monthly report on SCVA. There was a lengthy discussion about the SCVA.

Joseph Perrello left the meeting at 10:13am and returned at 10:23am.

Luis Alvarez left the meeting at 10:23 and returned at 10:26am.

**1. Division of Community Resources
Workforce Development
Monthly Report
July 2026****[ID-8478](#)****Attachments:** [2026 Economic Dev July Report](#)

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

3. IDA**[ID-8498](#)****Attachments:** [IDA Activity Report June 2026](#)

Jen Flad gave an update on the Sullivan County Industrial Development Agency.

4. Chamber of Commerce

President and CEO Matthew Sush gave an update on the Sullivan County Chamber of Commerce.

At this point, Joseph Perrello left the meeting at 11:18am and returned at 11:20am.

Lori Orestano James, Immediate Past Chair, gave an update on the Foundation.

5. Partnership for Economic Development

President and CEO Marc Baez gave an update on the Partnership for Economic Development.

Discussion:**Public Comment**

1. Ken Walter made a public comment.
2. Martin Colavito made a public comment.
3. Star Hesse made a public comment.
4. Yakov Mandelovics made a public comment.

At this point, Luis Alvarez left the meeting at 12:00pm.

5. William Kapito made a public comment.

Resolutions: None**Adjourn**

There being no further business, Brian McPhillips moved to adjourn, seconded by Luis Alvarez. The Economic Development Committee adjourned at 12:01pm.