

ErieNet Local Development Corporation

Board Meeting

Wednesday, November 9, 2022

Meeting Minutes

The Board of Directors meeting was held on November 9, 2022, in the Board Room on the fourth floor of the ECIDA office located at 95 Perry Street, Buffalo, New York and by videoconference, in accordance with the Corporation's Bylaws and Chapter 1 of the Laws of 2022. A quorum was present as indicated:

Members:

Mark Cornell, Erie County Deputy Budget Director
Michael Breeden, Erie County Chief Information Officer
Jeremy Toth, Erie County Attorney
Daniel Castle, Erie County Commissioner of Environment and Planning
John Spears, Director of the Buffalo and Erie County Public Library
Thomas E. Baines, Erie County Deputy Commissioner of Planning & Economic Development

Absent:

Joseph Lorigo, Erie County Legislature Minority Leader
Timothy Meyers, Erie County Legislature Majority Leader

Other Attendees:

William Geary, Erie County Commissioner of Public Works
Benjamin Swanekamp, Erie County Chief of Staff
Matthew Crider, ECC Technologies

1. Open Board Meeting, Roll Call, and declaration of Quorum – The meeting was called to order by the Chair of the Board at 1:05 p.m., roll call was also taken by the Chair and a quorum was declared present.
2. Approval of the Draft Minutes from September 12, 2022 Initial Board Meeting – Upon motion by Mr. Cornell and seconded by Mr. Castle, the Draft Board Minutes were unanimously approved.
3. Report of the Chair
 - i. Procurement for Administrative Services
 - a. Accounting and Legal RFP – Chairman Baines presented the two RFP recommendations as evaluated by the Selection Committees for Legal and Accounting services. The Selection Committee recommends Harris Beach and Lumsden McCormick.
 - b. Banking Services – Amongst the three (Key Bank, Bank on Buffalo & M&T Bank) Chairman Baines recommends M&T Bank as the bank of choice for ErieNet.
 - c. Insurance – Chairman Baines recommends Lawley Insurance (currently contracted through Erie County).
 - ii. Executive Director Search – Mr. Baines stated that the recruitment is underway for the Executive Director.

- iii. Authorities Budget Office (ABO) Update – Mr. Cornell informed the Board that ErieNet LDC is now recognized as an authority under the jurisdiction of the ABO. Mr. Cornell also stated that the LDC is showing up under all various searches that can be found under the PARIS System for various reports.
- iv. ECC Technologies Update – See Attachment

4. Committee Reports – No Committees met

5. Unfinished Business – No unfinished business

6. Resolutions

22-01 A RESOLUTION OF ERIENET LOCAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE CORPORATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH LUMSDEN MCCORMICK, FOR ACCOUNTING SERVICES

Upon motion by Mr. Spears and seconded by Mr. Cornell, Resolution 22-01 was unanimously approved.

22-02 A RESOLUTION OF ERIENET LOCAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE CORPORATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH HARRIS BEACH, FOR LEGAL SERVICES

Upon motion by Mr. Toth and seconded by Mr. Breeden, the Resolution 22-02 was unanimously approved.


22-03 A RESOLUTION OF ERIENET LOCAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE CORPORATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH LAWLEY INSURANCE FOR GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE

Upon motion by Mr. Cornell and seconded by Mr. Castle, the Resolution 22-03 was unanimously approved.

22-04 A RESOLUTION OF ERIENET LOCAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE CORPORATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH M&T BANK FOR BANKING SERVICES

Upon motion by Mr. Breeden and seconded by Mr. Spears, the Resolution 22-04 was unanimously approved.

7. Adjournment - Upon motion made by Mr. Cornell and seconded by Mr. Breeden the meeting adjourned at 1:49 p.m.


BY: _____
Thomas E. Baines, Esq.
Chair