

**Jefferson County Local Development Corporation
Board Meeting Minutes
February 11, 2021**

The Jefferson County Local Development Corporation held their board meeting on Thursday, February 11, 2021 in the board room at 800 Starbuck Avenue, Watertown, NY.

Present: David Converse, Chair, W. Edward Walldroff

Zoom: William Johnson, Paul Warneck, Christine Powers, Robert E. Aliasso, Jr., Lisa L'Huilier, Kent Burto, Gregory Gardner, John Jennings

Excused: None

Absent: Rob Aiken

Also Present:

Zoom: Emily Griffin from 7News, Thomas Iorizzo, Genevieve Trigg, Kevin McAuliffe, Esq., Matt Moses, Esq., Justin Miller, Esq., Mark Richardson

Staff Present: David Zembiec, Lyle Eaton, Marshall Weir, Jay Matteson

Zoom: Joy Nuffer

- I. **Call to Order:** Mr. Converse called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. **Privilege of the Floor:** Mr. Converse invited guests to speak. No one spoke.
- IV. **Minutes:** Minutes of the regular meeting held January 7, 2021 were presented. A motion to approve the minutes as presented was made by Mr. Warneck, seconded by Mr. Johnson. All in favor. Carried.
- V. **Treasurer's Report:** Mr. Aliasso reviewed the financials for the period ending January 31, 2021. A motion was made by Mr. Aliasso to accept the financial report as presented, seconded by Ms. Powers. All in favor. Carried.
- VI. **Committee Reports:**
 - a. **Alternative Energy Committee** – Mr. Johnson reported that the committee had met and commenced a joint committee with the Loan Review committee. There had been discussion about a cost benefit analysis and whether some of the projects would actually be better off without a UTEP.
 - b. **Building and Grounds Committee** – Mr. Burto stated that the committee will be scheduling a new meeting to discuss the issues relating to the 146 Arsenal St. property. Mr. Aliasso inquired about the payment from the YMCA for the property. Mr. Converse stated he had talked with Mr. Russell about that issue.

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VII. Council Reports:

- a. **Ag** – Mr. Matteson gave a brief update and stated he will be sending out an outline for the webinar series he has been working on.
- b. **Manufacturing** – Mr. Zembiec updated the Board for the Manufacturing Committee. We received a \$5,900 grant for safety training and are awaiting paperwork to put it in place.
- c. **Marketing** – Mr. Weir stated the new website will go live next week. He also reported that there is a snowmobile survey that will be going out soon looking at regional impacts and needs to grow its economic benefits across Tug Hill.

VIII. Unfinished Business: None.

IX. Counsel: None.

X. New Business:

1. Resolution No. 02.11.2021.01 for Clayton Distillery –

A motion was made by Mr. Warneck to approve the attached resolution, seconded by Mr. Aliasso. All in favor. Carried.

XI. Adjournment: With no further business before the board, a motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Burto, seconded by Mr. Aliasso. All in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:29 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joy Nuffer

JEFFERSON COUNTY LOCAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
Resolution Number 02.11.2021.01

WHEREAS, the distillery equipment is now fully depreciated, and CFO Lyle Eaton recommends removing it from our books and transfer ownership to Clayton Distillery, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Directors of the Jefferson County Local Development Corporation that it herein approves the recommendation as set forth in this Resolution, and be it further,

RESOLVED, that the Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, and/or Chief Executive Officer are authorized and directed to execute any and all documents necessary to carry out the purposes of this Resolution.

This resolution shall take effect immediately.



David J. Zembiec
CEO