

Niagara County Brownfield Development Corporation

MEETING MINUTES

Niagara County Brownfield Development Corporation Wednesday, April 19, 2023

Samuel M. Ferraro Center for Economic Development Center

Members Present:

Robert Restaino (Chairman), Richard Updegrove (Vice Chairman), Michael Casale

(Secretary)

Members Absent:

N/A

Others Present:

R. Thomas Burgasser, Michele Christina (BRS Inc), Amy Fisk, Stephen Frank (LiRo Engineering), Scott Hapeman, Robert Kreuzer (LiRo Engineering), Donald MacSwan (Town of Wheatfield Supervisor), Jacquiline Minicucci, Jennifer Taylor

(BRS Inc)

- 1.0 The meeting was called to order at 1:10 p.m. by Chairman Restaino.
- 2.0 Roll was called. Board members present were Chairman Robert Restaino, Vice-Chairman Richard Updegrove and Secretary Michael Casale.
- 3.0 Introductions were made from members of Brownfield Redevelopment Solutions (BRS) and LiRo Engineering.
- 4.0 The minutes of the March 15, 2023 Board of Directors meeting were motioned for approval by Mr. Updegrove and seconded by Mr. Casale. Carried.
- 5.0 Michele Christina of BRS provided an overview of their organization and the services that will be provided to the Niagara County Brownfield Development Corporation. Ms. Christina stated that her firm will work closely with Ms. Fisk to ensure that all EPA grant regulatory and reporting requirements are met including Davis Bacon. Her firm will work with LiRo Engineering to conduct the required on-site project visits and Highland Planning for public engagement.

ACTION ITEMS

Resolution NCBDC-042023-01 — Authorization for a \$425,000 Subgrant from the BCRLF to the Town of Wheatfield for Remediation at 2020 River Road in the Town of Wheatfield. Ms. Fisk gave a PowerPoint presentation providing background information on the site. The site is mostly wetlands and all work done will enhance the wetlands by removing the contamination and replacing with higher quality soil. Town of Wheatfield Supervisor Donald MacSwan stated the Town has been interested in a waterfront recreational park for decades. New York State Greenway funding will assist in the park development. The Town of Wheatfield will retain ownership of the property and be responsible for park maintenance. NYSDOT is proposing a bicycle trail along the property frontage as the missing link in the lake to lake bicycle route. A motion for approval was made by Mr. Updegrove and seconded by Mr. Casale. Carried.

ATTORNEY BUSINESS

Mr. Hapeman stated that the DLV project loan documents are being drafted.

- 7.0 Next Meeting TBA
- 8.0 Motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:39 p.m. was made by Mr. Updegrove and seconded by Mr. Casale. Unanimous. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Jacquiline P. Minicucci Recording Secretary