

TIOGA COUNTY ED&P/TOURISM/CCE/SOIL & WATER
LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE AGENDA

April 4th, 2023

1:00 PM

- MINUTES
 - Approval of minutes of March 7th, 2023
- FINANCIAL
 - Economic Development
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 - Sustainability Management
- OLD BUSINESS
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- PERSONNEL
- RESOLUTIONS
 - D01-Appoint Member (A David) to the Tioga County Planning Board
 - D15-Accept ARC Area Development Grant Application and Create Accounts
 - D39-ARPA Neighborhood Depot Request for Funding
- PROCLAMATIONS- N/A
- ADJOURNMENT

DRAFT

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & PLANNING TOURISM/AGRICULTURE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING March 7, 2023

ATTENDEES:

Legislators: Barb Roberts, Dale Weston, Dennis Mullen, Keith Flesher, Marte Sauerbrey

Staff: LeeAnn Tinney, Linda Sampson, Brittany Woodburn, Cathy Haskell, Peter DeWind

Guests: Jared Gulliford, CCE, and Jake Brown, Legislator, in place of T Hanson, CCE Executive Director, who was not in attendance.

Committee Chair, Legislator Barb Roberts, called the meeting to order at 1:00 P.M.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & PLANNING (ED&P): LeeAnn Tinney. Ms. Tinney reported the following; agenda and attachments previously emailed.

I. MINUTES

A. Approval of minutes of February 7, 2023

Legislator Roberts asked for approval of the minutes from the February 7, 2023 committee meeting. Legislator Weston made a motion to accept the February 7, 2023 minutes, seconded by Legislator Flesher. All were in favor.

II. FINANCIAL

The 2023 Year-to-Date Budget Reports were in the committee packets. Ms. Tinney reported the following:

A. Economic Development

- Year-to-Date Budget is tracking.

B. Planning

- Year-to-Date Budget is tracking.

C. Sustainability Management

- Year-to-Date Budget is tracking.

III. OLD BUSINESS

A. Reports

1. Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE): T Hanson – Monthly report previously emailed. Ms. Hanson was not in attendance, however Jared Gulliford, CCE Manager, and Legislator Jake Brown were in attendance on Ms. Hanson's behalf. Mr. Gulliford

reported on the launch of the Beginning Farmer Incubator Program for the 2023 season; six farmers have been accepted to the program.
Legislator Brown reported on 4-H Youth Development.

2. Tioga County Soil & Water Conservation District: Wendy Walsh – Monthly report previously emailed.
3. Tioga County Tourism: Becca Maffei – Monthly report previously emailed.
4. Economic Development: Brittany Woodburn - In keeping with staff reporting, Ms. Tinney introduced Ms. Woodburn, ED&P Deputy Director, and Land Bank Director. Ms. Woodburn highlighted the following projects she is working on:
 - Village of Owego Downtown Revitalization Initiative (DRI) – Oversees 10 existing DRI projects
 - A couple of projects are complete, three are close to completion. Estimated completion date for all projects is August 2023; the target date established by the state.
 - There is a “Call for Projects” open now to reallocate \$650,000.00 of DRI funds. These applications are due by Friday. The hope is to award 4 or 5 new projects.
 - Assisted the Village of Owego on a few projects going to bid soon; construction to start late spring, early summer.
 - New York Main Street, North Avenue Program – Began in 2019; almost complete.
 - Waiting on one lead paint clearance test. Final disbursement two to four weeks after the test.
 - Restore NY – Fuddy Duddy's grant award.
 - Kick off meeting with the State held. Met with the property owners; working on pre-construction documents and requirements. Late summer construction date scheduled.
 - CDBG Public Facilities Project for Neighborhood Depot
 - Demolition bids are in; moving forward with a contract soon.
 - Contractor bids came in high. The Neighborhood Depot Board has to figure out how to fill the funding gap.
 - Land Bank Update
 - Three demolitions in Owego; one demolition in Newark Valley.
 - Completed foundation repair on a property in Owego that has been sold to a developer. They are going to rehab the two-family home.
 - Continue to work with Owego School District on the renovation of 103 Liberty Street; Newark Valley School District is interested in a similar project.
 - Working on an application for Land Bank Initiative Phase 2 Program; funding to assist with capital projects.
 - Continue to work on purchase agreement terms with Providence Housing for a 12-unit housing project on Temple and Liberty Street.
 - Village of Waverly – NY Forward 4.5M grant award.
 - The ED&P Team assisted with this application for several projects.

LeeAnn opened the discussion regarding the resolution listed below:

C40-Designate Calculation of Occupancy Tax

Ms. Chandler, Deputy Treasurer, is present to answer any questions.

Ms. Tinney reported that it was discovered that other than a memo from 2009, there was nothing in writing showing how occupancy tax funds are disbursed. This resolution outlines the calculation of how these funds are being disbursed.

Legislative Chair reported on the history of how this got started:

- Years ago the Chamber of Commerce used to be in charge of Tourism and they got a small amount of money from the County.
- Ron Dougherty and Glenn Carter decided to create an entity, a hotel/motel tax, and take that income to fund Tourism projects and activities.
- A legislative decision was made to create a hotel/motel tax. A local law tax resolution is done every 3 years and sets the rate of the occupancy tax.
- This money is intended for Tourism, as well as some for Economic Development. The beginning of every year we designate Tioga County Tourism as a Tourism Promotion Agency (TPA) by resolution. The Legislature can change this at any time.

Ms. Tinney reported that the County collects a 4% occupancy tax and moved forward to discuss the calculation as written in the resolution. After a general discussion a vote was held to move the resolution forward.

B. Grants

1. Active Grants – Tioga County as the applicant follow:

- a. CDBG- Racker Neighborhood Depot
 - i. Bids received
 - Demo Bids- within anticipated range
 - Construction Bids- over range (800K- 1 M)
 - ii. Racker seeking additional funding.
- b. NY Main Street- Village of Owego, North Ave.
 - i. Final draw has been requested.
- c. Restore NY- Fuddy Duddy's
 - i. Pre-meetings being held with State
- d. NYS Snowmobile- Countywide (ongoing)
- e. FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program – Update the Hazard Mitigation Plan.
 - i. Consultant selected- Barton & Loguidice; resolution listed below.
- f. Department of State Local Government Efficiency Grant (LGE) – In partnership with IT.
 - i. Village of Owego- Fire department remaining to get on County system.
 - ii. Town of Candor- Placing computers/phones, adding highway barn to the County system.
- g. ARC- Update Countywide Strategic Plan
 - i. Still under review by ARC – Received a verbal approval.
 - ii. Steering Committee established. Mr. Dewind, County Attorney, reviewing RFP for the consultant.
- h. NYPA- Electronic Vehicle charging stations.
 - i. Site Host Agreement- Mr. Dewind reported that wording needs to be corrected on the agreement before approval.
- i. DEC- Household Hazardous Waste Program- Annual request has been submitted.

- C. Economic/Community Development
 - 1. Village of Owego
 - a. Downtown Revitalization Initiative (DRI) administration
 - 2. Village of Waverly
 - a. NY Forward application- AWARDED \$4.5M; first organizational meeting will be tomorrow. Julie Sweet with the Department of State will be our contact person.
 - 3. Town of Nichols
 - a. Broadband Project continues to move forward. Ms. Tinney will get a status from Southern Tier Network for the next meeting.
 - 4. Leadership Tioga- Classes are ongoing.
- D. Land Bank – Ms. Woodburn reported on earlier:
 - 1. OACSD House rehabilitation project- ongoing
- E. Workforce Development
- F. Planning - Ms. Jardine has been working on the following:
 - 1. Village of Owego Climate Smart Communities Taskforce
 - 2. Chamber/ TEAM Economic Forecasting event held at the Terra Cotta in Owego; nice event.
 - 3. Countywide Strategic Plan
 - 4. Hazard Mitigation Plan – Resolution listed below.
- G. Sustainability Management
 - 1. February E-Bulletin to Tioga County Employees
- H. IDA
 - 1. Owego Square (used to be Owego Gardens)
 - a. Occupants moving into townhouses week of 2/27.
 - b. Open House will be held; more information to follow. This committee will be invited.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Presentations (0)
- B. Land Bank – Ms. Woodburn reported on earlier.
 - 1. Land Bank Initiative- Phase 2 funding application.
- C. Workforce Development – Mr. Lanning is working on the following:
 - 1. In discussion with Newark Valley School regarding potential Land Bank House rehab project.
 - 2. Working with Tioga Career Center on a School to Work Manufacturing Program. Three businesses to participate so far.
 - 3. Twin Tiers Regional Job Fair held on March 1st. This event was very successful; 119 businesses present. Over 300 students and 150 of the general public were in attendance.
 - 4. Continuing to explore internship opportunities.
- D. Planning
 - 1. 239 Reviews (2)
 - a. County Case 2023-003: Town of Richford, Local Law (Solar Energy Generating Systems) recommendation for approval.
 - b. County Case 2023-004: Town of Owego, Site Plan Review (Parkway Produce) recommendation for approval.

- E. Sustainability Management – Dr. Pratt continues to work on the following:
 - 1. Reducing Waste Education and Outreach- Creating videos.
 - 2. ClearStream Beverage Recycler bins purchased for use at public community events to encourage recycling.
 - 3. “Share Your Reuse Story”, campaign has been launched - First response came in. Someone made a bed headboard from a wooden pallet.
 - 4. Updating website to reflect NYSDEC changes.
 - 5. Promoting E-Waste events with municipalities.
 - 6. Working on Sustainability Plan RFP.
 - 7. 2022 Year End
 - a. Paid to Broome County:
 - i. Household Hazardous Waste = \$24,941
 - ii. Electronic Waste = \$33,406
 This amount should come down when local events are held.
 - b. Towns, Electronic Waste = \$14,984
- F. Misc.
 - 1. Ag and Farmland Annual Inclusion – Resolution listed below.
 - 2. LDC (Tourism Office)
 - a. Reappoint Board Member (Case) Resolution listed below.
 - b. Occupancy Tax disbursement clarification – Resolution listed below; discussed earlier.

V. PERSONNEL

- A. Purchasing laptop - Woodburn remote work; resolution below.

VI. RESOLUTIONS

- C03-Authorize Transfer of Funds for Purchase of Laptop and Docking Station for EDP Dept
- C04-Re-Appoint Member (J Case) to the TCLDC Board
- C12-Award Contract Hazard Mitigation Plan Barton & Loguidice
- C14-Authorize 2023 Request for Inclusion of Land in Agricultural Districts
- C40-Designate Calculation of Occupancy Tax

After reviewing the above resolutions, Ms. Tinney asked this committee for support to move the resolutions forward; vote on the resolutions follows:

- Legislator Roberts – yes
- Legislator Mullen - yes
- Legislator Weston – yes
- Legislator Flesher – yes

VII. PROCLAMATIONS- N/A

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

With no further topics of discussion or questions, the meeting was adjourned at 1:45 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda Sampson

Administrative Assistant Economic Development & Planning



TIOGA COUNTY, NEW YORK

Tioga County YEAR-TO-DATE BUDGET REPORT

FOR 2023 04

ACCOUNTS FOR: A General Fund	ORIGINAL APPROP	TRANFRS/ ADJSTMTS	REVISED BUDGET	YTD ACTUAL	ENCUMBRANCES	AVAILABLE BUDGET	PCT USE/COL
A6422 Economic Development							
A6422 411132 Tax On Hotel/Motel	-30,000	0	-30,000	.00	.00	-30,000.00	.0%*
A6422 412890 Other Gen Gov. Inc	-100,000	0	-100,000	.00	.00	-100,000.00	.0%*
A6422 419890 Contribution To Ec	-20,000	0	-20,000	-6,750.00	.00	-13,250.00	33.8%*
A6422 421891 Other Home & Commu	-25,000	0	-25,000	.00	.00	-25,000.00	.0%*
A6422 510010 Full Time	295,458	0	295,458	57,892.98	.00	237,565.02	19.6%
A6422 510020 Part Time/Temporar	12,553	0	12,553	2,449.71	.00	10,103.29	19.5%
A6422 520090 Computer	0	923	923	.00	.00	923.00	.0%
A6422 540010 Advertising	3,000	-100	2,900	1,325.00	.00	1,575.00	45.7%
A6422 540040 Books	450	0	450	.00	.00	450.00	.0%
A6422 540070 Car Maintenance	2,000	0	2,000	436.76	.00	1,563.24	21.8%
A6422 540180 Dues	400	200	600	508.00	.00	92.00	84.7%
A6422 540220 Automobile Fuel	150	0	150	11.08	.00	138.92	7.4%
A6422 540320 Leased/Service Equ	1,320	0	1,320	.00	.00	1,320.00	.0%
A6422 540360 Meals/Food	750	0	750	50.00	.00	700.00	6.7%
A6422 540390 Mileage Expense	0	100	100	28.75	.00	71.25	28.8%
A6422 540420 Office Supplies	1,280	0	1,280	96.82	.00	1,183.18	7.6%
A6422 540480 Postage	380	0	380	.00	.00	380.00	.0%
A6422 540485 Printing/Paper	1,500	0	1,500	199.99	.00	1,300.01	13.3%
A6422 540487 Program Expense-WD	100,000	0	100,000	560.22	.00	99,439.78	.6%
A6422 540590 Services Rendered	20,000	0	20,000	500.00	.00	19,500.00	2.5%
A6422 540620 Software Expense	100	0	100	.00	.00	100.00	.0%
A6422 540660 Telephone	740	0	740	143.02	.00	596.98	19.3%
A6422 540733 Training/All other	5,000	-1,123	3,877	600.00	.00	3,277.00	15.5%
A6422 581088 State Retirement F	15,206	0	15,206	7,024.69	.00	8,181.71	46.2%
A6422 583088 Social Security Fr	22,030	0	22,030	5,267.72	.00	16,762.05	23.9%
A6422 584088 Workers Compensati	8,944	0	8,944	1,762.86	.00	7,180.84	19.7%
A6422 585588 Disability Insuran	384	0	384	78.24	.00	306.20	20.4%
A6422 586088 Health Insurance F	56,915	0	56,915	15,556.45	.00	41,358.46	27.3%
A6422 588988 Eap Fringe	88	0	88	21.90	.00	65.90	24.9%
TOTAL Economic Development	373,648	0	373,648	87,764.19	.00	285,883.83	23.5%
TOTAL General Fund	373,648	0	373,648	87,764.19	.00	285,883.83	23.5%
TOTAL REVENUES	-175,000	0	-175,000	-6,750.00	.00	-168,250.00	
TOTAL EXPENSES	548,648	0	548,648	94,514.19	.00	454,133.83	



**Tioga County
YEAR-TO-DATE BUDGET REPORT**

FOR 2023 04							
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GRAND TOTAL	373,648	0	373,648	87,764.19	.00	285,883.83	23.5%
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FOR 2023 04

ACCOUNTS FOR: A General Fund	ORIGINAL APPROP	TRANSFERS/ ADJUSTMENTS	REVISED BUDGET	YTD ACTUAL	ENCUMBRANCES	AVAILABLE BUDGET	PCT USE/COL
A8020 Planning							
A8020 510010 Full Time	156,482	0	156,482	30,092.99	.00	126,389.01	19.2%
A8020 540010 Advertising	200	0	200	.00	.00	200.00	.0%
A8020 540040 Books	600	0	600	.00	.00	600.00	.0%
A8020 540140 Contracting Serv	22,000	0	22,000	.00	.00	22,000.00	.0%
A8020 540180 Dues	800	0	800	440.00	.00	360.00	55.0%
A8020 540220 Automobile Fuel	200	0	200	.00	.00	200.00	.0%
A8020 540320 Leased/Service Equ	1,200	0	1,200	.00	.00	1,200.00	.0%
A8020 540360 Meals/Food	190	0	190	.00	.00	190.00	.0%
A8020 540390 Mileage Expense	600	0	600	.00	.00	600.00	.0%
A8020 540420 Office Supplies	500	0	500	.00	.00	500.00	.0%
A8020 540480 Postage	900	0	900	.00	.00	900.00	.0%
A8020 540485 Printing/Paper	1,000	0	1,000	.00	.00	1,000.00	.0%
A8020 540590 Services Rendered	4,875	0	4,875	400.00	.00	4,475.00	8.2%
A8020 540660 Telephone	600	0	600	62.44	.00	537.56	10.4%
A8020 540733 Training/All other	1,200	0	1,200	.00	.00	1,200.00	.0%
A8020 581088 State Retirement F	11,872	0	11,872	2,910.53	.00	8,961.85	24.5%
A8020 583088 Social Security Fr	10,535	0	10,535	2,606.09	.00	7,928.72	24.7%
A8020 584088 Workers Compensati	2,449	0	2,449	587.70	.00	1,860.98	24.0%
A8020 585588 Disability Insuran	136	0	136	31.38	.00	104.34	23.1%
A8020 586088 Health Insurance F	44,033	0	44,033	10,405.85	.00	33,627.62	23.6%
A8020 588988 Eap Fringe	29	0	29	7.38	.00	21.74	25.3%
TOTAL Planning	260,401	0	260,401	47,544.36	.00	212,856.82	18.3%
TOTAL General Fund	260,401	0	260,401	47,544.36	.00	212,856.82	18.3%
TOTAL EXPENSES	260,401	0	260,401	47,544.36	.00	212,856.82	



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GRAND TOTAL	260,401	0	260,401	47,544.36	.00	212,856.82	18.3%
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A8160 Refuse & Garbage							
A8160 439892 Solid waste State	-30,000	0	-30,000	.00	.00	-30,000.00	.0%*
A8160 510010 Fulltime	64,227	0	64,227	12,351.46	.00	51,875.54	19.2%
A8160 540010 Advertising	7,500	0	7,500	2,019.26	1,335.00	4,145.74	44.7%
A8160 540180 Dues	175	0	175	.00	.00	175.00	.0%
A8160 540270 Insurance-Liabilit	1,355	0	1,355	.00	.00	1,355.00	.0%
A8160 540390 Mileage Expense	167	0	167	.00	.00	166.75	.0%
A8160 540420 Office Supplies	2,000	0	2,000	333.89	.00	1,666.11	16.7%
A8160 540444 Permits, Fees, Ins	100	0	100	.00	.00	100.00	.0%
A8160 540480 Postage	200	0	200	.00	.00	200.00	.0%
A8160 540487 Program Expense-Re	0	500	500	.00	.00	500.00	.0%
A8160 542140 Contracting Servic	100,000	0	100,000	6,550.00	.00	93,450.00	6.6%
A8160 542261 Household Hazardou	75,000	0	75,000	.00	.00	75,000.00	.0%
A8160 542485 Printing/Paper	1,500	0	1,500	.00	.00	1,500.00	.0%
A8160 542640 Supplies (Not Offi	11,000	-500	10,500	1,172.16	.00	9,327.84	11.2%
A8160 542680 Tires	3,900	0	3,900	.00	.00	3,900.00	.0%
A8160 581088 State Retirement F	7,587	0	7,587	1,591.38	.00	5,995.62	21.0%
A8160 583088 Social Security Fr	4,396	0	4,396	1,085.72	.00	3,310.28	24.7%
A8160 584088 Workers Compensati	1,411	0	1,411	293.82	.00	1,117.18	20.8%
A8160 585588 Disability Insuran	113	0	113	15.66	.00	97.34	13.9%
A8160 586088 Health Insurance F	9,585	0	9,585	2,575.38	.00	7,009.62	26.9%
A8160 588988 EAP Fringe	115	0	115	3.66	.00	111.34	3.2%
TOTAL Refuse & Garbage	260,331	0	260,331	27,992.39	1,335.00	231,003.36	11.3%
TOTAL General Fund	260,331	0	260,331	27,992.39	1,335.00	231,003.36	11.3%
TOTAL REVENUES	-30,000	0	-30,000	.00	.00	-30,000.00	
TOTAL EXPENSES	290,331	0	290,331	27,992.39	1,335.00	261,003.36	



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GRAND TOTAL	260,331	0	260,331	27,992.39	1,335.00	231,003.36	11.3%
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SWCD REPORT
April 2023

AGRICULTURE PROGRAM:

- 4 Active AGNPSCP Grant Updates:
 - RD 25 – working on grant close out.
 - RD 26 – Cover Cropping Grant fall 2023 next planting
 - RD 27 –3 Farms to be participating, 1 project completed, 2 to be completed this year. Construction will be underway for this spring on the 2 projects.
 - RD 28 –Waiting on contract from state. Plan to move forward with one stream project this year.
- Climate Resilient Farming Rd 8 –waiting on contract.
- AEM Round 17: Requested funds for 6 projects that are moving forward with implementation.
- Partnerships:
 - ARG – Youth Engagement committee meeting with local FFA’s. We also have selected a date for Sundaes at the Farm July 16th from 12-3 at Engelbert’s Nichols, NY.
 - Partner Meeting- meeting held in first quarter.

DEAN CREEK WATERSHED PROTECTION PROJECT:

SWCD is continuing to work with engineering consultant on finalizing plans for rehabilitation of both dams. Plans will be submitted to USDA NRCS for review and approval. Once plans are approved next steps will be securing funding to complete the rehabilitation, Sponsors (Town of Spencer, SWCD and Tioga County) will have a choice to at a minimum meet NYSDEC Dam Safety requirements or rehabilitate to meet federal guidelines as well. Working on updating Emergency Action Plans for both Dams.

HAZARD MITIGATION:

Consultant has been selected to assist with plan update. We are having a planning meeting with the Core Planning Committee on 4/13, at this meeting we will plan for the Kick off Meeting with all municipalities. Quarterly report to NYSDESES will be completed and submitted by April deadline.

STORMWATER: Completed review of 1 SWPPP for Town of Owego. Held a 4 Hour Erosion and Sediment Control Training for 3/22, had 20 participants.

ENGINEERING SUPPORT: providing engineering support to several counties with the Upper Susquehanna River Watershed, including stream and ag projects.

STREAM PROGRAM: We have several stream projects that we are in the process of designing and permitting with goal to complete construction in 2023. This includes 2 projects on Owego Creek. We also have been asked by the IDA to provide a cost estimate for the project near Blodgett Road, the stream is migrating and will likely impact an electric pole and rail road embankment soon.

UPPER SUSQUEHANNA COALITION (USC): USC has started planning for a fall 2023 Watershed Form, Day 1 will be presentations and Day 2 a field trip of project implementation. The event will be held at BU Center for Excellence on October 18th and the theme will be *Community Engagement in our Watershed*.

ENVIROTHON: Scholastic competition will be on April 27th at the Sportsmen Center.

**Solid Waste/Sustainability
Economic Development and Planning
Legislative Committee Report
April 4, 2023
Prepared By: Ellen Pratt**

Meetings/Events

- Abbey Ortu and I zoomed with Jo Difulvio from Catholic Charities on their food recovery program on March 17th on their needs for their food recovery program at their Nichols location. Abbey proposed/setup a meeting with Les Aylesworth from CHOW looking at a partnership with Catholic Charities and CHOW.
- Attended the NYBEST - Seizing the Economic Development Opportunity for Energy Storage in New York State webinar on March 16th.

Active Projects

- Working on finishing Site Host agreement and NYPA
- Reducing Waste Education & Outreach focusing on educational videos
- Started a Borrow-A-Bin - Special Event where recycling containers are available to organizations to borrow for free for public community events. This program is now active on the Sustainability/Recycling website.
- Upgrading Sustainability/Recycling website to coordinate with NYSDEC changes and our reducing waste videos.
- Reaching out to the towns on partnering with the County to include electronic waste (e-waste) collection in their cleanup events. So far, the towns of Nichols, Tioga, Richford and Newark Valley are partnering with us. The town of Owego is interested in partnering with us but still needs to go through its board. Through a conversation with Charlie Davis, the Town of Richford has opened their e-waste collection to all Tioga County residents. This means there is an outlet for every Tioga County resident to properly recycle their e-waste within the County. The towns of Barton and Spencer are the only towns that do not offer their residents some sort of e-waste recycling.
- Working with IT to create a link on the Sustainability/Recycling website under Educational Programs giving several opportunities for teachers, organizations, and individuals to learn about recycling and waste reduction. I can tailor a presentation to fit the needs of the group or class on a variety of topics relating to waste reduction, reuse/repurposing and recycling.
- Working on updating our Solid Waste Management Plan
- Working on a Sustainability Plan RFP for Tioga County

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) & Electronic Waste (E-Waste) Recycling Totals

Partner	2023	2022
Broome County		
HHW	0	24,941
E-Waste	0	33,406
Towns - E-Waste	0	14,984

No Resolutions

REFERRED TO:

ED&P COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. -23

APPOINT MEMBER TO THE TIOGA
COUNTY PLANNING BOARD

WHEREAS: The Town of Berkshire position on the Tioga County Planning Board has been vacant for several months; and

WHEREAS: The Berkshire Town Board has found Abraham David willing and able to serve in this position; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Tioga County Legislature hereby appoints Abraham David to the Tioga County Planning Board representing the Town of Berkshire for a term of 4/12/23 – 12/31/25.

REFERRED TO: ED&P COMMITTEE
FINANCE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. -23 ACCEPTANCE OF APPALACHIAN
REGIONAL COMMISSION GRANT
APPLICATION FOR STRATEGIC PLAN AND
CREATE ACCOUNTS

WHEREAS: Tioga County's current strategic plan, Tioga County 2020 Strategic Plan, was adopted in 2016 and is now mostly complete and out of date; and

WHEREAS: Tioga County Legislature Resolution 167-22 allowed for the application to the Appalachian Regional Commission to create a new strategic plan; and

WHEREAS: The same resolution committed \$25,000 from the General Fund Balance as cash match to the \$50,000 total project cost; and

WHEREAS: Amending of the 2023 Budget and the appropriation of funds requires Legislative approval; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Tioga County Legislature hereby accepts said grant award in the amount of \$25,000 and authorizes the Chair of the County Legislature to sign any and all grant related paperwork upon review and approval of the County Attorney; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the following 2023 budget appropriation be approved as follows:

To:	A8020 449020 ARC23 Federal Aid-Planning Studies	\$25,000.00
From:	A8020 540140 ARC23 Contracted Service-ARC	\$50,000.00

REFERRED TO:

ED&P COMMITTEE
LEGISLATIVE WORKSESSION
FINANCE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. -23

ARPA FUNDS FOR NEIGHBORHOOD DEPOT
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & PLANNING

WHEREAS: American Rescue Plan Act “ARPA” Funds have been granted to Tioga County by the US Treasury in 2021; and

WHEREAS: As of 04/03/2023 there is approximately \$325,000 in unspent ARPA funds of the granted \$750,000 towards Broadband improvement efforts for neighboring municipalities in Tioga County; and

WHEREAS: The Tioga County Legislature has recognized a need for the funding of the Neighborhood Depot project, a new construction project located outside of the floodplain at 143 North Avenue in the Village of Owego (VOO). This 15,000 SF facility will host several nonprofits including; Tioga United Way, Tioga County Rural Ministry, Catholic Charities of Tompkins Tioga; Racker, and allow them to share resources, create jobs, meet community needs and act as a disaster recovery center. Partnering organizations provide services and programs for early childhood services, people with disabilities, poverty-stricken families, immigrant services and various other community needs. This project will improve quality of life, revitalize/improve the visual aesthetics of North Avenue in coordination with the VOO s DRI Local Planning Committee vision, promote a shared services concept by reducing the overhead spending for nonprofits in Tioga County and allow organizations to use that money to hire more staff and provide additional services; and

WHEREAS: It has been determined by the US Treasury that ARPA funds granted shall be considered obligated by calendar year end 2024, and expended by the end of calendar year 2026; and

WHEREAS: The Tioga County Legislature is agreeable to making the unspent ARPA funds available to the Neighborhood Depot project if needed to complete the project; and

WHEREAS: Legislative approval is needed for the modification of the use of any American Recovery funds; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Tioga County Legislature is willing to commit the unspent ARPA funds dedicated towards Broadband improvement efforts to the Neighborhood Depot project, if needed; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the funds shall remain with the Broadband improvement efforts until such time as the Neighborhood Depot need is determined.



Tioga County Tourism March 2023

DRI Wayfinding Sign Project

A draft of a sign plan has been distributed to the steering committee. A fabrication order has been submitted to TCT for approval pending final approval by the committee.

Recruitment Website

The recruitment website is continuing to be worked on. The timeline has been extended to ensure that it is dynamic and sustainable for maintenance by TCT and TC ED&P. Final revisions to the layout and content are being completed.

Travel Guide

The design of the 2023 Travel Guide is underway. TCT is submitting content and finalizing quotes. Trampoline Design Services will be creating the design. It will include editorial content, maps and listings. Lori has completed the listing update.

Online Services

We are continuing with some of the current projects and updating the scope of work to include training that can be used by more partners, such as an in-person workshop to help partners to update their google profiles as well as for social media training.

ITI Digital Event Calendar

This service will aggregate events that are promoted online and on social media and automatically add them to our events calendars. Initial content has been submitted. Set-up and training are in process.



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

March 28, 2023

For more Information Contact:

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Celebrate Earth Day 2023 with CCE Tioga. **Join us on Saturday April 22nd from 11am - 1 pm at Candor High School** for a Community Event. Light refreshments will be provided. Each attendee will receive some free seeds for spring planting. CCE Tioga is headquartered in Candor on a 107-acre farm named Hilltop Community Farm (HCF). Since the farm was purchased in 2021, we have been working to make HCF an asset for the entire region. Come learn about all the ways to enjoy the property through a variety of hands-on educational tours and workshops. We envision a space where all feel welcome to come and enjoy.

Highlights of Hilltop Community Farm include:

- Gardening workshops in composting, medicinal herbs, edible nuts and berries, growing mushrooms, hügelkultur, seed-starting, pruning, grafting, starting an orchard, perennials and soil health
- Workforce Development apprenticeships in agriculture and clean energy jobs
- Family Resource activities at our new Nature Playscape
- 4-H natural resources programs; farm safety; small engine repair
- Beginning farmer incubator program for vegetable crops and small ruminants
- Hiking, fishing, exploring nature self-guided activities
- Farmer educational pasture walks on forage and grazing best practices
- Farm safety use of chainsaws and fire prevention
- Greenhouse and High tunnel space available for local growers
- SMART Heating and Energy information and demonstrations
- Animal science demonstrations in chicken egg incubation and animal handling
- Indoor arena/event space and classroom available for use
- Introductory walking tours
- Yoga and meditation
- Cooking and preserving food classes
- Volunteer opportunities in pizza garden planting, wood-fired oven cob construction; woodworking

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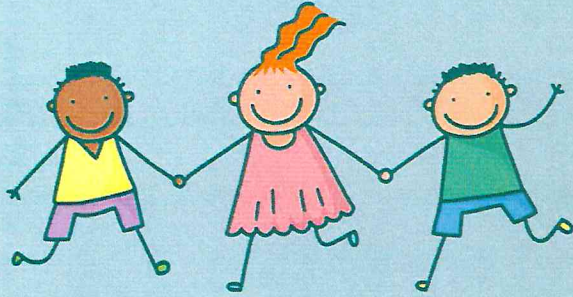
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