

**BROOME COUNTY LOCAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
BOARD MEETING
FIVE South College Drive, Suite 201
Binghamton, New York 13905
Wednesday, December 20, 2023, 12:30 pm**

SYNOPSIS OF MEETING

PRESENT: J. Bernardo, J. Peduto, J. Mirabito, P. Newman, M. Sopchak, E. Miller, R. Bucci, and D. Gates

ABSENT: D. Crocker

GUESTS Jonathan Scott, Broome County Legislature
Jason Garnar, Broome County Executive

STAFF: S. Duncan, N. Abbadessa, S. Guokas, A. Williams, and P. Doyle

COUNSEL: J. Meagher

The meeting was called to order at 1:01 p.m.

ITEM #1. APPROVE THE MINUTES FOR THE OCTOBER 18, 2023, BOARD MEETING: Chairman Bernardo requested a motion to approve the October 18, 2023, minutes.

MOTION: Mr. Mirabito motioned to approve, seconded by Mr. Sopchak; the MOTION CARRIED.

ITEM #2. PUBLIC COMMENT: Chairman Bernardo asked if there were any public comments.

No public comments were made.

ITEM #3. RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO REQUEST AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,000,000.00 FROM BROOME COUNTY, SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY THE BROOME COUNTY LEGISLATURE, TO BE PROVIDED TO SPARK JC, LLC AS THE OWNER OF OAKDALE COMMONS WHICH WILL BE REPAIRING THE FINCH HOLLOW CREEK WATERSHED IN THE VILLAGE OF JOHNSON CITY, BROOME COUNTY, NEW YORK. Ms. Duncan stated that The Agency has been working with the County closely on the Spark JC, LLC project at the Oakdale Commons. The watershed located on the property has severe damage and needs repair. It impacts the north area of the Oakdale Commons. Ms. Miller asked if the funds were available, and the county knew this was coming. Ms. Duncan stated yes and let County Executive Garnar explain further. He stated that the County owns the watershed. He went

on to explain how a conduit flows from the watershed south to the Oakdale Commons and from there into a larger pipe. This pipe is about 6 1/2 ft wide and has been failing. The concern is if left unaddressed, it could affect the property and the surrounding neighborhoods. The funds are to replace the pipe and stop any future flooding. Mr. Gates asked where the other money was coming from to complete this project. Mr. Garnar stated Spark J.C., LLC would contribute the additional funds to complete the project. Mr. Bernardo asked for a motion.

MOTION: A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO REQUEST AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,000,000.00 FROM BROOME COUNTY, SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY THE BROOME COUNTY LEGISLATURE, TO BE PROVIDED TO SPARK JC, LLC AS THE OWNER OF OAKDALE COMMONS WHICH WILL BE REPAIRING THE FINCH HOLLOW CREEK WATERSHED IN THE VILLAGE OF JOHNSON CITY, BROOME COUNTY, NEW YORK. On a MOTION by Mr. Newman, seconded by Mr. Mirabito, the MOTION CARRIED.

ITEM #4: ADJOURNMENT: Chairman Bernardo requested a motion to adjourn.

MOTION: On a MOTION by Mr. Gates, seconded by Mrs. Miller, the MOTION CARRIED, and the meeting was adjourned at 1:08 p.m.

The next scheduled meeting of the BCLDC is to be determined.