Delaware County Planning, Recreation and Culture Committee Meeting 6/18/24 at 1pm at 2 Bridge Street, Delhi NY

Present: Jerry Vernold Tina Mole'

Jim Ellis Kent Manuel
Rebecca Walley Nick Carbone
Shelly Johnson-Bennett Sean Leddy

Jessica Ulmer Elizabeth DeFalco, Reporter

Motion by Jim Ellis to approve the May meeting minutes, seconded by Rebecca Walley. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Jerry Vernold to enter into Executive Session at 1:02pm, seconded by Jim Ellis. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Jerry Vernold to exit Executive Session at 2:14pm, seconded by Rebecca Walley. All in favor. Motion carried.

IT: We are getting quotes from IT for two color printers. Shelly will be putting them in the budget for next year.

Resolutions: The resolution to set the ag. district public hearing was approved at the May meeting and will be going to the BOS for their June meeting. The resolution to approve the ag. district was approved by the Committee at the May meeting and will go to the BOS for their July meeting. A resolution was presented to the Committee for approval regarding the acceptance of additional intervenor funds for the Clean Path Project. Motion by Jim Ellis to approve, seconded by Jerry Vernold. All in favor. Motion carried. A resolution to increase the legal account for WSA was presented to the Committee for approval. Motion by Rebecca Walley to approve, seconded by Jim Ellis. All in favor. Motion carried.

Purchase Requests: The Planning Department would like to purchase a Drone Lidar package to be able to survey land, slope, infrastructure, etc. The purchase will be paid out of O'Connor funds that were awarded to the County for the County Comprehensive Plan years ago.

POF: We are still working with VIA to set up a date for them to present the Transportation Plan to the BOS.

Personnel: We have hired one intern who has started. We have not received any other applications.

PIO: Shelly did a press release yesterday regarding excessive heat and the location of cooling stations that are at the public libraries.

Project Updates:

Clean Path – we will be receiving additional funds for legal fees

FEMA/CDBG – we are forwarding complaints to Jamie Cole, the Village CEO. A tree fell down on a neighboring property of 10 Camp St. and damaged the garage. There is a group of people who are planning to relocate a Pine tree onto 12-14 Weir Street and we do not have the details regarding that, no one has contacted the County or Village to discuss it. A contractor has been parking his trailer and truck on 72 River Street. Another truck is being parked on the corner of Union and River Streets. The properties

have been mowed nine times so far and we have paid \$12,150.00 so far. We received the draft P.A. with the change regarding doing something to memorialize the historic homes that were demolished. A kiosk has been mentioned as a possibility. There are issues with elations and the sub-contractors. We will request reimbursement for contractor costs once they are entered into elations. Shelly reported the financials to the Committee. The issue at 799 Cadosia has been resolved. Josh Morgan, the CEO for Hancock worked with the neighboring property owner to remove the garage, fences and greenhouses. Sam Gill, the Mayor of Fleischmanns would like the Village to buy the Bailey lot.

Grants:

Snowmobile: Phase III was submitted for last season, Phase I has been submitted for this season.

O'Connor Railroad: We are working with CRC and Don Bishop. The RFP went out for the Fleischmanns Freight House and we have received some calls so we will be expecting to receive proposals.

County Comp Plan: We will be requesting an extension to ARC.

Walton Trail Grant: Sean is working on.

CFA: Swim Grant

OPRHP: Open Space Grant

WSA-

WAC: Sean and Nick continue to attend the meetings.

CWT: Participating in negotiations; contracting with license agreement and land use. SAP/LAP and Subdivision language changes. Easement language with Kevin and DEP. NRCD Sustainability Language. Nick has been participating in the meetings.

Community Sustainability Study: We did not receive any responses.

NYC Stakeholders: The next meeting is next Wednesday in Arkville. The easement language has been revised. DEC is not in agreement.

Ag. Stakeholders: The next meeting is in two weeks.

Climate Change Initiative: Spencer is working on the maps. A letter was sent to the Commissioner. The wetland mapping is not complete yet. We are working with ST8 regarding CLCPA programs. We are working with Kevin and Beth on model solar and battery storage laws.

Sidney Culvert Project: The County will be taking over the Project. We are not sure if we should recontract with DSHS or keep it the way it is and have the Village get reimbursed and we invoice the Village. The Committee agreed to have that question go to the Finance Committee so that they can decide.

Sidney Soccer Field: The Town will be taking over the Project.

UDRTC/FUDR: The meeting was Thursday. They are still looking for match and they were not awarded the grant they applied for. Graydon has been appointed to the Board as the Walton representative.

S&W: LFA in Stamford. There is a potential buyout for culvert replacement. There is potential in Roxbury as well for land acquisition and stream restoration.

AFPB: Ag district reviews. The Board is working with us to develop a list of soils to protect from renewable energy projects.

IT: all but one ticket has been resolved. Shelly is working with Joe on the budget.

HMP: Spencer is spot checking the data. Camberly and Cora are almost done with Stamford. Kortright is next and then Meredith.

Hwy Superintendent Committee: Shelly would like to attend a meeting to go through the HMP with them. Some of them are not aware of the Plans.

Drone: Shelly is waiting to meet with Carra to go over the job descriptions. The insurance paperwork has been updated with Penny. Smaller drones are being purchased for departments to train on. Sophia has been training on ours.

D.O.: grand opening

CPB: The consultant for the Comp Plan is working on inventory and plans and public outreach options. We will do a survey with a QR code. Window shield surveys are being done for the Housing Study and they are doing site inspections. They are seeing that many homes need to be brought up to building code and will be evaluated for upgrades, and recommendations will be created. We will being using Comp Plan grant money for the contract with Jess Veccione.

ST8: Theresa is participating in broadband; however, we are set with the broadband, we need the cell service piece. No ARC money this year. The funds are all going to Tech Hub. There was a planning directors meeting on June 6th in Hancock. Shelly took them for a tour to different projects and the Village Green.

ED/IDA: Sean goes to the meetings. Spencer is making maps as needed. Spencer is creating the data for the tourism page with VHB. We will have to figure out how to do the payments between departments. \$10,000 will be paid to Planning for Spencer's work on it. Theresa, Sophia and Josh will be identifying the sites for the grant.

EMS: Mark Rossley is working with Spencer on the 911 development.

DPW: Demos are complete. We are working on completing the BLA of the old building. We have to take our vehicles to local mechanics for service and repairs because DPW does not have the staff to do it.

Shelly went through the status of the L.A. projects that Sean is working on.

SUNY Delhi: The April meeting was cancelled and it has not been rescheduled yet.

Shelly went through the TPAS projects with the Committee as well as the Solar projects being proposed.

State Climate Change Committee: Kent continues to work with the Communities.

Motion by Rebecca Walley to adjourn, seconded by Jim Ellis. All in favor. Motion carried. The meeting ended at 3:50pm.