

Organization River Area Council of Governments

Board Executive Board

Date and Time Tuesday, April 17 2001 at 7:00 PM

Place Village of West Carthage Municipal Building 61 High St, West Carthage NY

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Minutes

TO: Mayors/Supervisors and Boards of the T/Champion, T/Wilna, V/Carthage and V/West Carthage

FROM: Chris Vargulick, Council Secretary

DATE: April 18, 2001

RE: Minutes from April 17, 2001 River Area Council of Governments meeting

Members present: M. Franchini, W. McIlroy, M. Sligar, J. Smith, and T. Stewart

Members absent: T. Buckley, L. Gerber, and D. Getman

Others present: K. Amyot, J. Waterbury, J. Coughlin, B. Clemons, S. Clemons, C. Berg, M. Keddy, L. Weir, J. LaRock, T. Sauter, M. Astafan, P. Brady, L. Borland, R. Downey, J. Downey, L. Hamilton, and S. Burto

Chairman McIlroy called the meeting to order at 7:05PM.

Proof of notice having been furnished, the public hearing on the proposed joint Community Block Development Grant application for the Villages of Carthage and West Carthage was called to order by Mr. McIlroy.

Mr. Sligar presented an outline of the proposed grant activities, funding requests, primary and national objectives, and estimated time schedule and provided an opportunity for public comment. The following is a synopsis of the comments and inquiries:

- Maximum awards to individual applicants
- Repayment of grant/loan
- Program administration
- Qualifications for service oriented businesses
- Number of businesses that might qualify
- Criteria for awarding funds to businesses providing similar services
- Focus on established goals
- Contracted program delivery and administration services
- Sub-recipient agreement
- Definition of terms
- Public improvement priorities
- Ratio of grant/loan priorities
- Time frame for implementaton
- Availability of EDCC funds outside the Village of Carthage
- Support for application based on the value to businesses and communities, the enhancement of public services, and the in-kind service from RACOG in preparing the application
- Letter from West Carthage Housing Authority expressing concerns about the addition of housing units
- Consolidation
- Description of in-kind services
- Business database
- Community description
- Letter from Carthage Federal Savings & Loan supporting the application
- Conditions on business owners to maintain operation
- Continuing revitalization initiatives
- Mr. Keddy voiced his support for the application

Motion by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Smith to close the public hearing. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried. The hearing closed at 8:45PM.

The Villages of Carthage and West Carthage, each having a quorum present, called to order special meetings for the purpose of authorizing the execution of the joint Community Block Development Grant application and to name a lead agency for the application, as required. Both Boards approved the submission of the application and the Village of Carthage as the designated lead agency for administrative duties. The Village Board's adjourned their

special meetings and the regular monthly meeting of RACOG resumed.

Motion by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Franchini to approve the minutes for March 20, 2001 as presented. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed and accepted the monthly report of the Circuit Rider. Mr. Sligar announced that the ad hoc committee meetings will resume a regular schedule to be announced.

Mr. Stewart and Mr. Franchini reported that both Town Boards have passed formal resolutions endorsing the joint CBDG application.

K. Amyot distributed a draft sub-recipient agreement for the consideration of the Council. Under the agreement, RACOG would provide program delivery and project implementation for the CBDG. The Council will review the proposal for action at a future meeting.

The next regular meeting of the River Area Council of Governments will be held on Tuesday, May 15, 2001 at 7:00PM at the Village of Carthage Municipal Building.

Motion by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Mr. Franchini to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 9:01PM.

Christina Vargulick, RACOG Secretary