Organization River Area Council of Governments	
Board	Executive Board
Date and Time	Tuesday, August 21 2001 at 7:00 PM
Place	Village of Carthage Municipal Building, 120 S Mechanic St., Carthage NY 13619
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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: August 22, 2001

RE: Minutes from August 21, 2001 River Area Council of Governments

meeting

Members present: T. Buckley, M. Franchini, L. Gerber, W. McIlroy,

M. Sligar, and J. Smith

Members absent: D. Getman and T. Stewart

Others present: K. Amyot

Chairman McIlroy called the meeting to order at 7:00PM.

Motion by Mr. Franchini, seconded by Mr. Buckley to approve the minutes for July 17, 2001 as presented. Ayes-6, Nays-0. Motion carried.

<u>Reports</u>

The circuit rider's monthly report was accepted as presented.

Mr. Sligar formally announced that the Villages of Carthage and West Carthage have been awarded a Community Block Development Grant in the amount of \$600,000. A meeting will be held, on August 23, 2001 at 8:00pm at the Village of West Carthage municipal building, for the purpose of discussing the implementation of the grant program. Discussions will focus on third-party administration.

Mr. Sligar informed the members that a CBDG workshop/seminar will be held on October 29^{th} and 30^{th} for grant recipients. Attendance is mandatory at the October 29^{th} session.

Ms. Amyot offered congratulations from the Tug Hill Commission on the award of the grant.

A meeting was held with the public on August 8, 2001 following a village walk through that covered from the Broad Street intersection with Bridge to Bridge and State Streets as far as South James Street. Principal areas of focus were identified and will be prioritized in Phase 1 of the grant implementation. A presentation will be made and comment received from the public concerning the approach of Phase 1 at the next RACOG meeting which will be held on September 18th at 7:00pm at the Village of West Carthage Municipal Building.

Mr. Sligar asked the members to consider expanding the budget for Phase 1 to include more focus areas. More information will be made available to the Council prior to action.

Mr. Buckley and Mr. Gerber opposed the expansion of the budget for Phase 1.

The Joint Recreation Committee meeting that was scheduled for August 20th will be rescheduled for September.

There was no old business.

Ms. Amyot discussed the proposed industrial site/business park/development. She recommended a regional approach. Members were encouraged to discuss the issue with their respective boards and if there is interest a joint meeting of the boards will be scheduled. Ms. Amyot has asked for an opinion from the State Comptroller's office on pro-rated tax base and collection.

Motion by Mr. Gerber, seconded by Mr. Franchini to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel. Ayes-6, Nays-0. Motion carried. Chairman McIlroy requested that Ms. Amyot attend the session. Executive session began at 7:30pm.

Motion by Mr. Sligar, seconded by Mr. Gerber to return to open session. Ayes-6, Nays-0. Motion carried. Open session resumed at 7:55PM.

Motion by Mr. Sligar, seconded by Mr. Buckley to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:55PM.

The next meeting of the River Area Council of Governments will be held on Tuesday, September 18th at 7:00PM at the Village of West Carthage Municipal Building.

Christina Vargulick

RACOG Secretary